

Fitness Focus: UPPER BODY

T KIDS' CLASS

CLASS GRADE K-8th

EQUIPMENT LIST					
Warmups	Fitness Stations	Relay Race	Game, K-2 <sup>nd</sup>	Game, 3 <sup>rd</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup>	Mindfulness
• 2 Battle Ropes	• 4 Ankle Bands	• 4 Tall Cones	• 24 Poly Spots	• 36 Short Cones	• 1 Bluetooth
	• 4 Tall Cones	• 2 Hula Hoops	• Flag Belts (per	• 24 Poly Spots	Speaker
	• 1 Measuring Tape	• 1 Measuring Tape	student, any	• 4 Tall Cones	
			color)	• 1 Soccer Ball	
				• 1 Measuring Tape	
				<ul> <li>Pinnies (half the</li> </ul>	
				students)	

## WARMUPS (5 min.)

### Setup and Instructions

- Divide the class into two groups. Have each group pick up a battle rope and hold it above their head with one or both hands before completing one lap around a designated area. All students in a group should hold the rope the same way.
- Once the lap is complete, divide students into four lines, standing arm's length apart. Lead the students in completing warmups 2-4.
- Students should complete the movements for a count of ten. If the left and right side of the body are used in the movement, complete the movement for a count of ten on each side.

Warmup 1	Warmup 2	Warmup 3	Warmup 4
Lap Run with Battle Rope	Air Drumming	<u>Seal Jacks</u>	<u> Air Jump Rope</u>

# FITNESS STATIONS (10 min.)

# Setup and Instructions

Arrange four tall cones, with each cone serving as a station, in a square formation. There should be 15 - 20 feet between each cone. Divide students into four groups and assign each group to a station.

- Each group should perform the assigned movement for each station for one minute. When time is up, students rotate by skipping, jogging, hopping, or running to the next station.
- Students should rotate through the stations twice.

Station 1	Station 2	Station 3	Station 4
Inch Worms	<u>High Plank</u>	Bicep Curls with Ankle Band	<u>Y's, T's &amp; W's</u>



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## RELAY RACE (10 min.)

## Hula Hoop Rescue

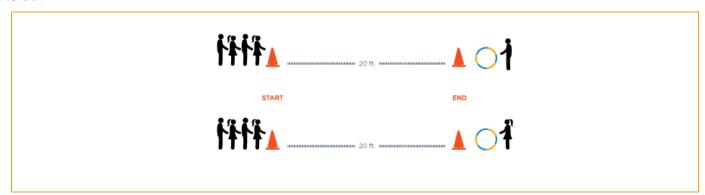
### Setup and Instructions

Set up relay race as shown in the diagram below. Divide students into two equal teams and have each team line up behind a start cone. One student (the rescuer) from each team will start at the end cone with a hoop.

- The rescuer must rescue a teammate at the start cone by placing them in the hoop and moving them to their team's end cone. The student rescued becomes the rescuer and must rescue another teammate.
- Once all the students from a team are rescued, they must link hands and form a circle. Then the team passes the hula hoop around the circle without letting go of each other's hands.
- When the team finishes passing the hoop around the circle, the whole team performs butt kickers back to the start cone to end the race.
- The first team to return to the start cone wins.
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Relay variation: For younger students, shorten the distance between the start and end cone, and for older students, lengthen the distance between the start and end cone.

#### DIAGRAM



# GAME, K-2<sup>nd</sup> (10 min.)

### Fruit Salad

### Setup & Instructions

Create a large circle using poly spots. Select one or two students to be 'it' and place them in the middle of the circle. Have the remaining students put on a flag belt and stand on a spot.

Goal of the game: avoid getting flag pulled.



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- Before starting the game, assign a type of fruit to each student wearing a flag. Any fruit can be chosen, but only four or five fruits may be assigned. Once a student is assigned a fruit, they must stay that fruit for the entire play of the game.
- When the Coach gives the signal 'go,' the 'it' student(s) will call out one type of fruit. All the students assigned the fruit that was called must try to run across the circle to an open spot while avoiding having their flag pulled. Students may not run to a spot directly next to them, they must run to the opposite side of the circle.
- If a student's flag is pulled, they must freeze where their flag was pulled and complete air punches for 20 seconds. The student must stay in their spot and help with pulling another student's flag.
- The 'it' student(s) continue to call out fruits. The last student to still have their flag wins.
- Play multiple rounds and change the fruit assignment each round.

Game tip: For a large class or to make the rounds go quicker, start with three taggers.

Game variations: 1) Allow students to choose their own fruit. 2) Change fruits to vegetables or student's favorite snack.

# GAME, 3<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> (10 min.)

### Handball

### Setup & Instructions

Create a 30 ft. x 50 ft. playing field using short cones, can be smaller or larger depending on age of students. Use poly spots to create a midline and use tall cones to create a goal on each half of the field. Use a soccer field if accessible. Divide students into two equal teams and have one team wear pinnies. Assign one student from each team to be their team's goalie.

Goal of the game: work as a team to score goals and keep the opposing team from scoring.

- This game has soccer rules, but students use their hands to move the ball. When a student has the ball, they can only take three steps then must throw it to a teammate.
- To score, the ball must be thrown into the goal.
- Each goal is worth one point. The team with the most points at the end of the time wins.

Game tips: Change the goalie after each goal to allow other students to be goalie.

Game variations: 1) Add more balls to the game. 2) To make the game more difficult, use a foam ball or a beanbag instead of a soccer ball.

## MINDFULNESS (5 min.)

### Mantra

### Setup and Instructions

Instruct students to sit quietly on a yoga mat or on the ground.

- Use a Bluetooth speaker to play the audio for the Mantra Mindfulness Activity, link: https://vimeo.com/549529553/8b9abd8a48.
- After the activity, if students are comfortable sharing, have them create their own mantra, "I am \_\_\_\_\_\_", and share with the class or a partner.



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# COOLDOWN (5 min.)

## Setup and Instructions

Divide students into four lines, standing arm's length apart.

- Lead the students in completing two yoga breaths.
  - o Yoga breath: inhale through the nose while counting to four slowly, hold for four seconds, then exhale through the mouth while counting to four slowly.
- Once students complete yoga breaths, lead them in the cooldown movements. Students should complete the movements for a slow count of ten. If the left and right side of the body are used in the movement, complete the movement for a count of ten on each side.

Cooldown 1	Cooldown 2	
<u>Spinal Twist</u>	<u>Tricep Stretch</u>	