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#### What is a circuit workout?

A circuit workout consists of a series of exercises performed one right after the other with little or no rest in between. It usually consists of 8-12 exercises, but you can make your own with as many or as little as you'd like. The circuit gets repeated 3-5 times. Do what feels comfortable for you or you can challenge yourself to do extra!

**Directions:** Create your own circuit workout and submit for this week's assignment.

- 1. Pick 5 10 exercises. Choose from the exercise list attached or find ones that work best for you.
- 2. Pick a variety to target each of the three main muscle groups (upper body, legs, and core).
  - Example: 3 lower body exercise, 3 upper body exercises, 3 core exercises, and 1 whole body exercise
  - You may also choose cardio exercises.
- 3. Determine how many repetitions of each exercise (how many times to complete each exercise).
- 4. Determine how many rounds to repeat the circuit (about 3 5 times).
- 5. Determine how long of a rest in between rounds (about 1 2 minutes
- 6. Add a challenge if you would like to push yourself or make the exercise more interesting.
- 7. Answer the reflection questions.
- 8. Bonus: Create more than one circuit for the week
- 9. Double Bonus: Get a family member or friend to complete your circuit!

### **Circuit Workout Example**

TYPE OF EXERCISE	MUSCLE GROUP	AMOUNT OF REPS	CHALLENGE [Optional]
Lunges	Legs	10 times	Add a small weight
High Knee Crunches	Legs/Core	10 times	none
Squats	Legs	10 times	Add a small weight
Sit Ups	Core	10 times	Add a small weight
Push Ups	Upper Body	10 times	Feet on chair for decline
Burpees	Legs/Core/Uppe r Body	5 times	none

Number of Rounds: 5

Rest between Rounds: 1 minute

#### **DESIGN YOUR CIRCUIT**

TYPE OF EXERCISE	MUSCLE GROUP	AMOUNT OF REPS	CHALLENGE [Optional]		
Number of Rounds:					
Rest between Rounds:					

## Reflection: Answer the following questions.

- 1. How many times did you decide to complete the circuit?
- 2. Was the circuit workout enjoyable for you?
- 3. Did the intensity feel: light, moderate, intense or maximum effort?
- 4. Would you do a workout like this again in the future?

# LIST OF EXERCISES

Push Ups Walking Push Ups T Push Ups

Tricep/Chair Dips Forearm Plank Jacks Knee to Elbow Planks

Diamond Pushups Incline Push Ups Chin Ups

Decline Push Ups Inch Worms Shoulder Taps

Air Squats Twisting Lunges Jump Lunges

Lunges Split Squats Step Ups

Wall Sits Jump Squats Box Jumps

Calf Raises Glute Bridges Reverse Lunges Lower Body

Planks Crunches Supermans CORE Russian Twists Scissors Leg Lifts

Sit Ups Bicycle Crunches Obliques

Reverse Crunches Side Planks V-Ups

Jumping Jacks Tuck Jumps Jump Rope CARDIO/ Burpees High Knees Butt Kickers

Sprints Side Shuffles Run In Place

Mountain Climbers Speed Skaters Skips WHOLE BODY