# Beginner

#### British Gymnastics

#### Welcome to GymFit at home!

This week the focus is on strengthening the lower body. Repeat this circuit twice in the week.

Make sure to clear a safe space before you start.

Do a quick warm up before you begin the circuit. Here's an example you could use:

20 marches

20 slow arm circles

20 side leans

20 second jog on the spot

Do each exercise for 40 seconds, then rest for 20 seconds before moving on.

Complete all **5** exercises, this is 1 circuit.

Repeat each circuit 4 times before giving the weekly challenge a try.

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# WEEK 19



Disclaimer:

Participation in any of the activities listed is carried out wholly at your own risk!

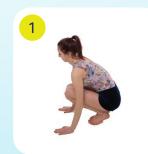
## Lower Body Beginner

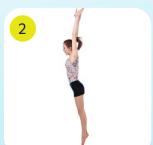
#### **LEVEL 1**SPRING HIGH KNEES











- 1 From standing lift one knee as close to chest as possible
- Push through standing leg to perform a small jump and change leg so opposite knee is now lifted
- Repeat move

- 1 Squat so hands are touching the floor, knees bent, bottom down
- 2 Extend to perform a straight jump
- Arms above head
- Land with slight bend in knees and return to squat position



#### High jumps

#### LEVEL 3 TUCKJUMP





- 1 Use arms to perform a jump
- 2 Lift knees into stomach
  - Using a rebound jumping action
- Repeat move

## Core Beginner

#### **LEVEL 1**BALANCE BOARD - WIDE FEET





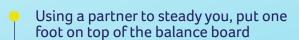






If you don't have a balance board at home, use a cushion or pillow instead!

- Using a partner to steady you, put one foot on top of the balance board
- Place the other foot on the board so that your feet are shoulder width apart
- 3 Release from your partner and balance for the specified time



- Place the other foot on the board so that your feet are shoulder width apart
- Move both feet together
- Release from your partner and balance for the specified time



#### **Balance board**

**LEVEL 3**BALANCE BOARD - SINGLE LEG







- Using a partner to steady you, put one foot on top of the balance board
  - Place the other foot on the board so that your feet are shoulder width apart
- Move both feet together
- 2 Release from your partner and balance
- Take one foot off the board and balance for the specified time
- Hold and repeat on the opposite leg

## Cardio Vascular Beginner











- 1 Start with hands on hips
- 2 Extend one leg out to the side
- 3 Return to centre
- 4 Extend opposite leg to the side
  - Return to centre
  - This is one rep
- Continue movements

#### **LEVEL 2**JUMPING JACKS







- 1 Start with feet together and arms by your side
- Jump both feet out to the side and at the same time raise arms above head
- 3 Return feet to centre and arms by side
- Repeat move

#### **LEVEL 3**JUMPING JACK SQUAT









- 1 Start with feet together and arms by your side
- Jump both feet out to side and at the same time raise arms above head
- 3 Return feet to centre and arms by side
- Perform a half squat and return to standing
- Repeat move

## Lower Body Beginner

#### LEVEL 1 SQUATS







- 1 Stand with feet shoulder width apart and arms in front of body
- 2 Bend knees to 90 degrees
  - Ensure knees are over toes
- 3 Return to start
- Repeat move

#### **LEVEL 2**HALFSQUAT HOLDS







- 1 Feet shoulder width apart and arms in front of body
- 2 Bend knees to 45 degrees
  - Ensure knees are over toes
  - Hold for 4 seconds
- Return to start
- Repeat move



**Squats** 

#### **LEVEL 3** FULL SQUAT HOLDS







- 1 Feet shoulder width apart and arms in front of body
- Bend knees to 90 degrees aiming to get thighs as horizontal as possible
  - Ensure knees are over toes
  - Hold for 4 seconds
- 3 Return to start
- Repeat move

## Lower Body Beginner

#### **LEVEL 1**CALFRAISES







- 1 Standing using a partner or a wall to assist with balance if needed
- 2 Raise heels off floor as high as possible
  - Concentrate on keeping heels together
- 3 Return to floor and repeat move

#### **LEVEL 2**CALF RAISES - PLATFORM







- 1 Stand on a platform such as a bench
  - Use a partner or a wall to assist with balance if needed
  - Balance so that just the balls of your feet are on the edge of a platform
- 2 Let your heels drop as low as possible
- 3 Then raise heels as high as possible



#### **Calf raises**

#### **LEVEL 3**SINGLE LEG CALF RAISES







- 1 Stand on platform such as a bench
  - Use a partner or a wall to assist with balance if needed
  - Balance so that just the balls of your feet are on the edge of a platform
  - Transfer weight so that you are balancing on one leg
  - Bend the free leg so foot is raised
- 2 Drop your heel as low as possible
- Raise your heel as high as possible

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# Your Challenge: FOR WEEK 19

How many tuck jumps can you complete in 45 seconds?







don't forget to print out your certificate!