

# Exercise Information sheets Stretching exercises

#### You can use:

Just yourself

A helpful pole
or someone's hand for balance



#### How to move:

We like to begin and end with some big deep breathes

Gentle stretches should not hurt – just move your body as far as you can safely manage

Hold each stretch for around 10 seconds if you can

Think about stretching arms, legs and torso

Remember to keep breathing as you stretch

## Challenge:

Do stretches standing up to also work on balance

## Simplify:

Do stretches sitting on the ground, or even lying down to provide a base for stability

### Engage:

Count out loud as you stretch

Try counting in a different language (if you know how)

Sit or stand opposite someone and mirror their actions

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