Land based stretches and exercises

STRETCHES

Upper Limbs

Elbow Extension combined with supination:

- Subject position: supine or sitting with back and feet supported. Arm to be stretched in full possible extension with hand supinated.
- Therapist position:standing/sitting topside of arm to be stretched. One hand cupping posterior
aspect of elbow joint, other hand on anterior surface of wrist.Action:holding upper arm still with hand at elbow joint, put arm on stretch into
maximum comfortable extension. Ensure elbow does not go into hyper

extension. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each arm.



Wrist, thumb and finger stretches:

Subject position: supine or sitting with back and feet supported. Elbow flexed approximately 15°, forearm supinated.

Therapist position: sitting or standing beside child on side to be stretched. One hand supporting forearm, other hand holding child's hand in the palm.

Action:

with hand that's in palm, hold wrist in maximum extension, and extend fingers and thumb. Hold for a count of 5, repeat x 5 each hand. If therapist cannot hold fingers and thumb with one hand, ensure child's elbow is supported and use 2nd hand to extend thumb.



Lower limb:

Hip Extension:

 Prone: Subject position: Therapist position: Action:

child lying face down standing or kneeling beside child. hold pelvis with one hand to stop it rotating. Extend leg with knee held straight. Hold for count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg



2. Supine

Subject position: Therapist position: Action: with child lying supine on a plinth with legs over the edge, standing beside the child flex one knee up towards the chest, hold the other leg downwards

towards the floor. Hold for a count of 5, repeat x 5 each leg.



Ilio-tibial band (ITB) stretch

 Prone – Subject position: child lying face down Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside child at the opposite side to the ITB to be stretched.
 Action: hold pelvis with one hand to stop it rotating. Extend leg with knee held straight, adduct across the other leg, keeping the knee straight. Hold for count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg



 Side-lying Child position: Therapist position:

Action:

side lying on plinth towards the edge. standing behind the child, holding the pelvis with one hand and the upper leg with the other

extend, externally rotate and adduct the leg behind the other, off the plinth, keeping the knee straight. Hold for a count of 5. Repeat 5 times each



Knee Extension

Subject position:lying supineTherapist position:standing or kneeling beside the child on the same side as the knee to be
stretched. One hand just above the knee, second hand holding the foot.Action:left lower leg to extend the knee as much as possible keeping the foot
dorsiflexed to ensure a good stretch. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times
each leg.

N.B. Ensure the knee does not hyperextend.



Ankle and Foot Stretches

Dorsiflexion

Subject position: lying supine

Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside the child on the same side as the ankle to be stretched. Hold the leg just above the knee and the other hand cupping the heel, and up the foot

Action:

stretch the Achilles tendon, bringing the toes up towards the body. Hold for a count of 5 repeat 5 times each leg.



Trunk and Neck

Neck stretches

 Side flexion Subject position: Therapist position: Action:

supine lying to the side of the child, holding the child's head move the ear towards the shoulder on the same side. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times to each side.



2. Rotation: Subject position: Therapist position: *Action:*

supine lying to the side of the child, holding the child's head turn the head towards the shoulder on the same side. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times to each side.



Not included - sub-talar joint, trunk stretches

MUSCLE TRAINING: USING GRAVITY AS THE RESISTANCE

Upper Limbs

Shoulder

Abduction

Sitting in chair without arms or standing: lift arms slowly out to sides until they reach 90. Hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat x 5

Flexion

Sitting in a chair or standing: lift arms slowly forwards to 180. Hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat x 5

Extension

Lying prone, with arms by sides, and keeping them in to sides, lift arms slowly as far possible backwards into extension, hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat x 5

Elbow Extension

Lying supine: lift arm to 90 degrees of flexion, and abducted into body. Flex elbow so hand is touching opposite shoulder. Lift hand slowly up until elbow if fully extended. Hold for count of 3. Relax hand back down to shoulder. Repeat x5

Wrist and finger extension

Sitting with arm supported on the arm of a chair or with forearm on table, so that the hands are unsupported and wrist fully flexed. Pull the wrist and fingers back slowly into maximum possible extension. Hold for a count of 3. Repeat x5

Lower Limbs

Hip

Extension: standing with trunk flexed over a plinth, height adjusted to waist level. Lift on leg lowly backwards as high as possible, keeping the knee straight. Hold for a count of 3. Relax down. Repeat x5

Alternative position: standing holding on to the back of a chair. Keep the trunk upright and lift one leg slowly backwards, keeping the trunk upright and knee straight throughout the movement.

Abduction

Side lying: lift the leg slowly, with the knee extended, to at least 30° keeping the leg in line with the body. Relax down. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.

Knee Extension

1. Sitting with the foot not in contact with the floor. Raise the leg slowly until the knee is straight. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each leg.

2. Lying supine with the knee flexed up to 45°, foot in contact with the surface. Extend the knee until the leg is straight. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each leg

Ankle and foot

Sitting: with the foot off the floor to allow full plantarflexion with the toes not in contact with the floor. Pull foot up as far as possible. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each foot.

Trunk

Extension

Child lying prone, hands on buttocks, extend head, shoulders and trunk as high as possible. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down, repeat x5

Side flexion

Child side lying with arm on trunk. Reach arm down leg lifting trunk sideways off plinth. Hold for a count of 5, relax down. Repeat 5 times each side.

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Week 1 start date

i.e. the date you first started doing the stretches and exercises recorded in **this** booklet.



Upper Limbs	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
Elbow Extension combined with supination					
Subject position: supine or sitting with back and feet supported. Arm to be stretched in full possible extension with hand supinated. Therapist position: standing/sitting topside of arm to be stretched. One hand cupping posterior aspect of elbow joint, other hand on anterior surface of wrist. Action: holding upper arm still with hand at elbow joint, put arm	Yes				
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does not go into hyper extension. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each arm.					
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Wrist, thumb and finger stretches Subject position: supine or sitting with back and feet supported. Elbow flexed approximately 15°, forearm supinated. Therapist position: sitting or standing beside child on side to be stretched. One hand supporting forearm, other hand holding child's hand in the palm. Action: with hand that's in palm, hold wrist in maximum extension, and extend fingers and thumb. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each hand. If therapist cannot hold fingers and thumb with one hand, ensure child's elbow is supported and use 2nd hand to extend thumb.	☐ Yes ☐ No				
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Lower Limbs	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
Hip Extension 1. Prone: Subject position: child lying face down. Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside child. Action: hold pelvis with one hand to stop it rotating. Extend leg with knee held straight. Hold for count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.	☐ Yes ☐ No				
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Hip Extension 2. Suppre Subject position: with child lying suppre on a plinth with legs over the edge. Therapist position: standing beside the child. Action: flex one knee up towards the chest, hold the other leg downwards towards the floor. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg. Image: The search leg. Research physiotherapist comment:	☐ Yes ☐ No				
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ITB stretch					
1. Prone					
Subject position: child lying face down.					
Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside child at the opposite side to the ITB to be stretched.	Yes				
Action: hold pelvis with one hand to stop it rotating. Extend leg					
with knee held straight, adduct across the other leg, keeping the	No No				
knee straight Hold for count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.					
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ITB stretch 2. Lateral Child position: side lying on plinth towards the edge. Therapist position: standing behind the child, holding the pelvis with one hand and the upper leg with the other. Action: extend, externally rotate and adduct the leg behind the other, off the plinth, keeping the knee straight. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.	Yes No				
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Knee extension Subject position: lying supine. Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside the child on the same side as the knee to be stretched. One hand just above the knee, second hand holding the foot. Action: lift lower leg to extend the knee as much as possible keeping the foot dorsiflexed to ensure a good stretch. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg. Ensure the knee does not hyperextend.	Yes No				
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Ankle and Foot Stretches Dorsiflexion Subject position: lying supine. Therapist position: standing or kneeling beside the child on the same side as the ankle to be stretched. Hold the leg just above the knee and the other hand cupping the heel, and up the foot Action: stretch the Achilles tendon, bringing the toes up towards the body. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.	☐ Yes ☐ No				

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Trunk and Neck	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
Neck stretches					
2. Rotation					
Subject position: supine lying.					
Therapist position: to the side of the child, holding the child's head.	🗌 Yes				
Action: turn the head towards the shoulder on the same side.	No				
Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times to each side.					
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Upper Limbs	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
Shoulder Abduction					
Sitting in chair without arms or standing: lift arms slowly out to sides until they reach 90. Hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat 5 times.	Yes				
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Shoulder Flexion					
Sitting in a chair or standing: lift arms slowly forwards to 180. Hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat 5 times.	Yes				
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Shoulder Extension					
Lying prone, with arms by sides, and keeping them into sides, lift arms slowly as far possible backwards into extension, hold for a count of 3. Relax them down. Repeat 5 times.	Yes				
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<i>Elbow</i> Extension					
Lying supine: lift arm to 90 degrees of flexion, and adducted into body. Flex elbow so hand is touching opposite shoulder. Lift hand slowly up until elbow is fully extended. Hold for count of 3. Relax hand back down to shoulder. Repeat 5 times.	Yes No				
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<i>Wrist and finger</i> Extension Sitting with arm supported on the arm of a chair or with forearm on table, so that the hands are unsupported and wrist fully flexed. Pull the wrist and fingers back slowly into maximum	Yes				
possible extension. Hold for a count of 3. Repeat 5 times.					
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Lower Limbs and Trunk	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
<i>Hip</i> Extension					
Standing with trunk flexed over a plinth, height adjusted to waist level. Lift one leg slowly backwards as high as possible, keeping the knee straight. Hold for a count of 3. Relax down. Repeat 5 times.	Yes				
Alternative position: standing holding on to the back of a chair. Keep the trunk upright and lift one leg slowly backwards, keeping the trunk upright and knee straight throughout the movement.					
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<i>Hip</i> Abduction Side lying: lift the leg slowly, with the knee extended, to at least 30° keeping the leg in line with the body. Relax down. Hold for a count of 5, repeat 5 times each leg.	Yes				
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Knee Extension (1)					
Sitting with the foot not in contact with the floor. Raise the leg slowly until the knee is straight. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each leg.	Yes				
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Knee Extension (2)					
Lying supine with the knee flexed up to 45°, foot in contact with the surface. Extend the knee until the leg is straight. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each leg.	Yes No				
Research physiotherapist comment:					
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Ankle and foot					
Sitting: with the foot off the floor to allow full plantar flexion with the toes not in contact with the floor. Pull foot up as far as possible. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down. Repeat 5 times each foot.	Yes				
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Lower Limbs and Trunk	Therapy prescription	Week 1: How many days ^p	Week 2: How many days ^p	Week 3: How many days ^p	Week 4: How many days ^p
Trunk Extension					
Child lying prone, hands on buttocks, extend head, shoulders and trunk as high as possible. Hold for a count of 5. Relax down, repeat 5 times.	Yes				
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<i>Trunk</i> Side Flexion Child side lying with arm on trunk. Reach arm down leg lifting trunk sideways off plinth. Hold for a count of 5, relax down. Repeat 5 times each side.	Yes				
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