Get into gym

Lesson planner

Week	Equipment needed	Focus/	Syllabus content
1 and 2	Beanbags - one between two students Mats (or soft grass area)	Balance	 ☑ Non-locomotor - static balance on large body parts; turning ☑ Locomotor - walking ☑ Elements of movement - spatial awareness: focus, direction; relationships: partner
3 and 4	CD player and music of choice Mats (or soft grass area)	Balance	 ☑ Non- locomotor - static balance on large body parts; bending; twisting; curling; stretching ☑ Locomotor – running; skipping; hopping ☑ Elements of movement - spatial awareness: position, focus
5 and 6	Markers Class set of braids	Travelling	 ✓ Locomotor – walking; running; hopping; skipping; galloping; jumping; landing; travelling on different body parts ✓ Elements of movement - spatial awareness: position, direction, levels ✓ Composition - simple locomotor games
7 and 8	Mats (if lesson is on a hard surface) 4 markers	Jumping and landing	 ☑ Non- locomotor - bending ☑ Locomotor - jumping/landing; two feet to two feet ☑ Elements of movement - spatial awareness: position, focus, direction ☑ Composition
9 and 10	CD player and music of choice 20 mats Optional: wedge mat	Rocking and rolling	 ☑ Non- locomotor - rocking ☑ Locomotor - rolling: log roll, egg roll ☑ Elements of movement - spatial awareness: focus, boundaries, direction ☑ Composition - simple locomotor activities

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GYES1.10 Performs basic movement patterns to show actions of the whole body. • makes different shapes with the body while in contact with the ground ALES1.6 Develops a repertoire of physical activities in which they can participate. • takes part in different types of physical activity e.g. games MOES1.4 Demonstrates a general awareness of how basic movement skills apply in play and other introductory movement experiences. • maintains stillness and control of body when balancing INES1.3 Relates well to others in work and play situations. • works happily with class peers	Week 1 and 2 Getting started Play the game Stuck in the mud. Select two students to be the taggers. Students move randomly in the defined space. If tagged, students are stuck until another player crawls under their legs to release them. Developing body awareness and balance Discuss with students the different parts of the body they might use to balance on. On mats, students kneel with both knees to start. Get students to: - balance on one knee and one elbow - balance on one knee and one elbow - balance on one knee and two fingers. Ask students questions such as: - What is the easiest balance? - What is the hardest balance? - What other balance combinations can you think of? Challenge students to balance on: - four body parts - three body parts - three body parts - two body parts - one body part. Nominate a few students to demonstrate the balance they have created. In pairs, ask students to create and demonstrate their own balance. Their partner then has to copy it. Give the students opportunity to explore various balances on mats as well as the floor. Ask questions such as: - How many body parts were you balancing on? - Why might some positions be easier than others? Allocate a beanbag to one student in each pair. Ask one student to place the beanbag on their head and walk towards their partner. The stationary partner holds up a number of fingers. The other person calls out how many fingers are being shown. Swap roles several times. Students stand with one foot directly in front of the other (heel touching toes). Students walk a short distance maintaining flat feet. Change walking actions. Students walk on the balls of their feet, on their heels then flat footed. Ask questions like: - Which way of walking was easier? Why? - What were some things that helped you keep your balance. Why was this the case?	

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	Finishing off Play What's the time Mr/Mrs Wolf. One student is selected to be the wolf. The wolf stands with their back to the rest of the group. The group calls out "What's the time Mr/Mrs Wolf?" The wolf responds with a time and the students have to move forward that number of steps/hops/skips towards the wolf. When the wolf turns around, the children have to freeze practising their balancing skills. When the wolf calls "lunch time", he or she chases the rest of the group trying to tag another student. The tagged student becomes the wolf.	Where possible, the finishing activity should revise the skills learnt in the lesson in a fun setting. It is important for lessons to involve elements of vigorous activity so heart rate is sufficiently raised. An alternate finishing activity which includes more vigorous activity is a game of Shadow chase. In pairs, students have to try and stand on their partner's shadow as many times as they can, whilst their partner tries to do the
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	Ask students to perform a static balance, swapping legs so they experience balancing on	
	both legs.	
	Once students have practised the static balance, shrink the base of support so that they are	
	balancing on the ball of their foot or heel.	
	Ask students:	
	- Was it harder to balance on the ball of your foot?	
	- Why do you think it was harder?	
	Ask attudents to make vigorough, around the designated area demonstrating a naminated	It is important to emphasise the need for
	Ask students to move vigorously around the designated area demonstrating a nominated	students to move around the space with the
	locomotor movement e.g. running, skipping, hopping until the teacher signals them to freeze	eyes focused forward so that they don't coll
	(see teachers note). On this signal, students are to perform a static balance. On the next signal, students can move again. Encourage the children to swap legs to hop and balance on.	with other students. This will help develop student's spatial awareness as well as deve
	Following this activity, ask questions like:	that component of the static balance.
	- Do you have a specific leg you prefer to balance and hop on?	
	- Why do you think this is the case?	
	Teaching and practising the balance	
	Ask students to demonstrate different shapes that they can make with their bodies e.g. circle,	
	star, square, triangle.	
	Ask questions such as:	
	- Can you make the same shape in a different way balancing on different body parts? How?	
	- Can you show me how to change from one shape to another?	
	- Would it be easier or harder to perform these shapes with a partner? Why?	
	Finishing off	
	Play the game Statues.	
	Ask students to move around the designated area using locomotor movements such as	
	skipping, hopping, running. On the signal, students move quickly to a mat. Call a number of	
	body parts to balance on. Students hold the balance for three to five seconds.	
GYES1.10 Performs basic movement	Week 5 and 6	
patterns to show actions of the whole	Getting started	
oody. • explores movement	Play the game Tail tag.	
patterns when travelling	Ask students to tuck a braid tail into a pocket or into the side of their uniform. Students chase	
 experiments with different 	each other around the designated area trying to collect as many tails as possible. If a student	
ways of transferring weight	has their tail stolen, they keep playing to try and steal another person's tail.	
from one body part to another		
another.	Developing patterns of movement - travelling	
ALES1.6 Develops a repertoire of obysical activities in which they can	Organise students into two lines at one end of the designated playing area. Students will explore patterns of movement and the skills of travel by moving in different ways	This lesson focuses on step patterns and travelling on different body parts.
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participate. • describes how physical activity affects the body MOES1.4 Demonstrates a general awareness of how basic movement skills apply in play and other introductory movement experiences. • walks, runs, slides, hops at different speeds	across the designated area using the following:	Assessment strategy The teacher:

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GYES1.10 Performs basic movement patterns to show actions of the whole body. • identifies ways in which their body can move • demonstrates ALES1.6 Develops a repertoire of physical activities in which they can participate. • participates in different games and activities MOES1.4 Demonstrates a general awareness of how basic movement skills apply in play and other introductory movement experiences. • jumps and lands using one foot or two feet	Week 7 and 8 Getting started Play the game Fishing. In a large space, six students are selected to form a circle (the net) by holding hands. The rest of the students (the fish) move randomly about the playing space. The net moves around and tries to tag or snare the fish. If a fish is tagged or snared, this player joins the net, thus making the net larger. This game is a version of 'chain tag'. Exploring different jumping skills In a large playing space, ask students to find their own space, ensuring there is enough room between them. On instruction, students perform the following: - try and jump into the air without bending knees to take off - stand with legs wide apart and jump into the air - stand naturally and jump up and down with hands tight by their sides - use arms to help jump as high as possible Question students on what happens for each technique and why. Questions might include: - Which jump was the easiest to perform? - How do your arms help you jump? - Why do you have to bend your knees?	The skills of jumping and landing are related to a wide range of gymnastic activities as well as many sports, games and physical activities such as netball, football, newcombe ball, and dancing.
	Ask students to perform the following different jumps. - using two feet jump towards the teacher - jumping backwards - jumping to the left and to the right - small jumps with hands by your side - big jumps over the puddle (hoop, marker, skipping rope) in front of you using your arms	Encourage students to try and improve their own jump and not to compare with the people they are jumping with.
	Explain to students they have been practicing jumps by taking off from two feet and landing on two feet. Get students to practise other basic jumps including: Take off Land on two feet – one foot one foot – two feet one foot – same foot one foot – other foot	It is recommended you use mats for this activity if the lesson is taking place on a hard surface.
	Question students about the jumping action of a frog. Ask about the other body parts involved in this type of a jump. Divide the class into two horizontal lines and position them at one end of the designated playing area. The students experiment with the jumping action of a frog moving towards the other end of the playing area one row at a time.	

Outcomes Teaching notes and planned Learning experience assessment Developing correct jumping and landing techniques for the vertical jump Refer to Get skilled: Get active page 22 for teaching cues and specific information about Demonstrate a vertical jump to the students and outline the following key components. the vertical jump. 1. Eves focused forward or upward throughout the jump The focus in ES1 should be on the introductory 2. Crouch with knees bent and components of the vertical jump: eves focused forward or upward arms behind the body throughout the jump 3. Forceful forward and upward crouch with knees bent and arms behind swing of the arms the body 4. Legs straighten in the air 5. Lands on balls of the feet and Assessment strategy bends knees to absorb landing The teacher: 6. Controlled landing with no more than one step in any direction (in motor bike observes the student's jumping position). and landing during games and Teaching cues to use when students are learning to jump include: activities - look up Assessment criteria - focus your eyes on where you want to go The student: get ready to explode up high,; get ready for take off looks forward or upward when swing your arms back and up iumpina crouches down with arms straighten your legs in the air behind the body bend your knees when landing balance yourself when landing These criteria relate to outcome land with your feet a shoulder width apart **GYES1.10. MOES1.4** Introduce, demonstrate and explain the *motor bike landing* to students. Ask students to explore the actions of a motorbike landing Use the following cues: - pretend you are sitting on a motorbike - arms should be out straight as if holding onto the handle bars - legs should be bent, back straight Ask students why it is important to bend your knees when you land from a jump. (So that Students in Early Stage 1 do not need to shock can be absorbed safely and you don't hurt yourself) spring from a height. Start any jumping and Initially have students jump and land on the floor, from the floor. Instruct students to land with landing activities onto the floor from the floor their feet close together and then try with their feet shoulder width apart. so students are aware of correct techniques before jumping from a height (no higher than Ask questions like: knee height). Which landing was easier? Landing with feet the width of the shoulders - Why is it harder to land and balance if your feet are too close apart as a wide base of support enhances together? stability on landing. Why should you bend your knees when you land? This activity provides teachers with the opportunity to observe the skills the students In their own space, ask students to perform five vertical jumps from the floor, have learnt and the skills that need further landing in a motorbike position. Ask students to count how many times they practice. land without having to take any steps.

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	Reinforce that landings should be held for a count of five. Remind students that the motorbike landing should be used for all landing actions. Get students to reinforce all cues as a wrap up to the lesson.	
	Finishing off Play the game Hot coals. Ask the students to move around in a designated area using a nominated locomotor movement. When they hear the call of "hot coals", students have to move around the area springing as if the floor is very hot. On the call of "normal", students move around the area using the nominated locomotor movement. Change the locomotor movements often e.g. skip, hop, side gallop, walk, run. As a variation to the game, call out animal names.	
GYES1.10 Performs basic movement patterns to show actions of the whole body. • identifies and demonstrates ways in which their body can travel and form shapes makes different shapes with body while in contact with the ground • shows a number of different ways to move to express an idea	Week 9 and 10 Getting started Play the game Animal round-up. Students move around the designated space, running, skipping, hopping etc. When one of the following calls is made, students hold that shape until told to stop. - 'Dead ant'- students lie on their back, kick legs and wave arms in the air. - 'Dinosaur'- students make the shape of any dinosaur and walk around the room. - 'Dog'- students are on hands and knees. - 'Angry cat'- students are on their hands and knees and arch back toward the ceiling.	
ALES1.6 Develops a repertoire of physical activities in which they can participate. • takes part in different types of physical activity	Developing rocking and rolling techniques Ask students to identify different ways they can move from one place to another e.g. walking, running, rolling, crawling. Explain students that they will be learning how to roll safely, from one place to another. The types of rolls they will be practising are the log roll and the egg roll. Before students can perform and practise a roll successfully, they must be able to demonstrate tight body control.	Rolling is an important skill for students to develop in order to gain a sense of spatial awareness and body control.
moes1.4 Demonstrates a general awareness of how basic movement skills apply in play and other introductory movement experiences. • stretches and curls body at a low level	Students spread out along three lines on mats so they are standing facing the teacher. Ensure there is adequate room between students. On the teachers call, students demonstrate the following movements. - loose neck and arms - loose legs - loose body - tight upright body - loose body while laying on the floor - tight body while laying on the floor. Reinforce to students that a tight controlled body is essential to perform rolls safely.	Organise students in lines so there is adequate space between them to roll from side to side
	While lying on the floor, ask students to make the shape of a log (or pencil) with their body. Select any students who perform the correct body position for the log roll to demonstrate to	It is preferable to use a student for the

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	the rest of the class. Use the following key teaching cues: - lie on your back on the floor - arms stretched tight above your head, next to your ears - legs together ankles touching. Ask all students to demonstrate this correct body position. Explain to students that if they keep their body straight and tight they will be able to roll along the mat.	demonstration of these activities so the teacher can explain specific teaching cues. An older student may be able to assist.
	Students perform a log roll to their left so that they all roll in the same direction. Have students try and roll back to their right where they started. Reinforce to students they need to roll their entire body at the same time.	If there is not enough room between students, have every second student stand up off the mat and turn to observe the person who was next to them perform a log roll.
	Variation: A wedged mat can be used to help students perform rolls. A wedged mat is another mat rolled or folded under the end of a mat can make a wedged mat. If students are having difficulty rolling.	Assessment strategy The teacher: • observes the student's rolling technique
	Extension: Have those students who have mastered the body position and roll technique perform multiple log rolls along two connecting mats.Once students have had adequate practice of the log roll, inform them they are going on to practise another rolling technique called the egg roll.	Assessment criteria The student: • performs a log roll with a tight body • performs an egg roll with a tight
	On the mats, ask the students to make an egg shape with their bodies. Choose a student who is performing the closest body position for an egg roll to demonstrate to the rest of the class. Use the following teaching points while the student demonstrates.	"egg" shape These criteria relate to outcome GYES1.10, MOES1.4
	 tuck chin into chest (emphasise this point so students are aware it is important to look after their neck) pull arms and legs into body grasp your legs near your knees roll side ways, like an egg. 	
	Students take turns performing egg rolls in the nominated direction on the mats. Variation: A wedged mat can be used to help students perform rolls. Extension: Have those students who have mastered the body position and roll technique perform multiple egg rolls along two connecting mats.	If there is not enough room between students, have every second student stand up off the mat and turn to observe the person who was next to them perform an egg roll.
	Following the activity, ask questions like: - How do you move your body differently for each roll? - How does your body shape change? - Does this make it easier or harder to roll? - Not part of NEALS	Page 9 of 10

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	- Which roll is easier, the log or egg roll? Why?	
	Finishing off Play a game of <i>Rock and roll islands</i> . Scatter 15 mats throughout the designated area. When the music is played, students move about the mats performing the nominated locomotor skill e.g. skipping, hopping, jumping. Students are to pretend they are at sea and are moving about some islands. When the music stops students have to try and move onto the closest island (mat) before anybody else. There can only be one person on an island at a time. Those students who are on a mat have to perform either a log roll or an egg roll. Those students who aren't on a mat have to hold a static balance on one foot for 5 seconds so they are not eaten by a shark.	This activity reinforces the skills of the rolls practised in this lesson and the static balance taught in the previous lesson.