

UPONLY LEARNING PRESENTS MOVE EVERY DAY · FREE PE

Grade 2 PE weekly plan

Ages 7–8. Five 30-minute sessions a week (our plan), with a 3-day version. Use it every week of the year; the skill part follows the current unit.

Student: _____ Week of: _____

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The Daily 60. 60 minutes or more of moderate-to-vigorous activity every day, with vigorous, muscle and bone activity on at least 3 days a week each (HHS, CDC). PE covers part; play, walks and chores cover the rest.

Talk test. Moderate: your student can talk but not sing. Vigorous: only a few words before a breath (CDC).

Safety rules for every session

- Warm up first.
- Clear the floor.
- Have water nearby.
- Wear sneakers, or go barefoot on a non-slip floor.
- Land softly.
- Stop if something hurts, or if you feel dizzy or sick.
- Tell an adult.

Equipment: sock ball (rolled socks), pillow or couch cushions, masking tape, towel, empty plastic bottles (as pins or cones), laundry basket, balloon, paper-plate paddle, jump rope (or a line on the floor), chair, water bottle.

Please read: Move Every Day is general education, not medical advice. Check with your student's doctor before starting a new activity program if your student has a heart, lung or other health condition, an injury, or a disability that affects movement. Stop and get medical help if your student faints, has chest pain, severe shortness of breath or dizziness during activity. In an emergency, call 911.

The 5-day week

Strength on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; jumps for bone on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; vigorous play on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Doses (our plan): 1 set of 5 to 8 reps or 10 to 15 second holds, done as play; 20 to 40 soft landings a session.

Day	Warm-up (5 min)	Skill practice (10 min)	Fitness (strength or jumps) (5–7 min)	Game or dance (5–7 min)	Cool-down (3 min)	Done
Monday	March, arm circles, high knees	This unit's skill (see the grade page)	Squats 2 × 6–10, bear crawl 2 trips	Red light, green light	Child's pose, 3 breaths	☐
Tuesday	Jumping jacks, hip circles	This unit's skill	Bunny hops or line hops, 2 × 10	Tag with a light touch	Butterfly stretch	☐
Wednesday	March, arm circles	Balance: stork stand, tree pose	Frog jumps 2 × 6–8, crab walk, plank on knees	Lily pads (jump between pillows)	Cat-cow	☐
Thursday	Freeze dance	Rhythm, dance or animal walks	Dance break: 30 s fast, 15 s rest, 3 rounds	Freeze dance or tag	Seated reach, 3 breaths	☐
Friday	High knees, jumping jacks	This unit's skill game	Circuit, 30 s each, 2 rounds: squats, jumps over a line, wall push-ups, bunny hops	Family game of the student's choice	Child's pose	☐

This week's unit skill

Write the unit and the skill from the grade page: _____

Teach it: I do, we do, you do

I do: You show the move and name 2 or 3 short cues, like "side to target, step, throw". **We do:** You practice together. Say one specific thing that went well and one cue to try next. **You do:** Your student practices alone, then uses the skill in the game. Watch and give one cue at a time. **Check:** At the end of the first week of each unit, use the quick check below. If it is not there yet, repeat the We do step.

The 3-day week

Each day has strength, jumps and a fast game, so three days still cover the 3 days of each.

Day	Warm-up (5 min)	Skill practice (10 min)	Fitness (strength or jumps) (5–7 min)	Game or dance (5–7 min)	Cool-down (3 min)	Done
Monday	March, jumping jacks	This unit's skill	Squats, bunny hops 2 × 10	Tag with a light touch	Child's pose	☐
Wednesday	High knees, arm circles	Balance: stork stand	Frog jumps, crab walk, plank on knees	Freeze dance	Cat-cow	☐
Friday	Jumping jacks, hip circles	This unit's skill game	Circuit: squats, line hops, wall push-ups	Family game	Butterfly stretch	☐

The year's units

Unit	Weeks	Focus	Sample session on the grade page
2.1 Jump rope	2–9	turning the rope, single bounce, counting	Rope rhythm
2.2 Overhand throw and catch	10–17	overhand pattern, catching above and below the waist	Overhand to the wall
2.3 Balance and body control	19–26	balances, log roll, weight on hands (bear, crab)	Balance beam on the floor
2.4 Dance and rhythm	27–34	8-count patterns, creating a short dance	My 8-count dance

Weeks 1 and 35: friendly self-check. Week 18: family field day. Week 36: student's choice.

I can

- ☐ I can jump a turning rope 10 times in a row.
- ☐ I can throw overhand with my side to the target.
- ☐ I can catch a ball above and below my waist.
- ☐ I can walk a line heel to toe.
- ☐ I can hold a plank for 15 seconds.
- ☐ I can make up an 8-count dance move.
- ☐ I can watch others perform and clap for them.

Full sessions, exercise cards and seated versions: www.uponlylearning.com/pe/grade-2.html

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Session times, reps and jump counts are our plan, not guideline numbers.