# **PAIN AGAIN?**

TAKE CONTROL WITH EFFECTIVE RELIEF!

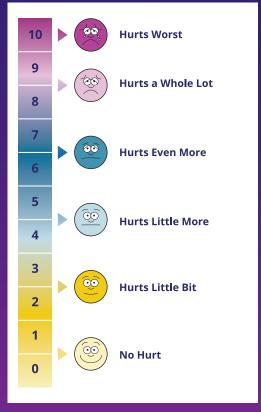




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# **Rate Your Level of Pain**

Use a scale of 0 to 10 to rate your level of PAIN. A rating of 0 means no pain and 10 means the worst pain imaginable<sup>a,b</sup>!



## Don't wait for symptoms of pain to worsen. Consult a healthcare professional before it's too late!

#### References:

- a. The Wong-Baker Faces Pain Scale.
- b. The Bieri Faces Pain Scale. Modified from Bieri D, Reeve RA, Champion GD, et al. The Faces Pain Scale for the self-assessment of the severity of pain experienced by children: development, initial validation, and preliminary investigation for ratio scale properties. Pain 1990:4(12):139–150.

# Tips<sup>1</sup> to STRETCH AWAY the Pain!

Consult your healthcare professional should you need medical attention in your pain management.

Note: These stretches may not be suitable for you. Do not attempt if symptoms of pain persists. Consultation with a healthcare professional may be required.

#### **For KNEES**

- 1. Sit forward in your chair with your back straight and your feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Slowly bring yourself to standing, moving slowly and smoothly.
- 3. Remain standing for five seconds.
- 4. Slowly return to sitting, using very controlled movement.
- 5. Repeat this exercise 10 times.





## **For NECK**

- 1. Sit forward in your chair with a straight back and your feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Tilt your head to one side, bringing the ear towards the shoulder until you feel a stretch.
  - 3. Hold this stretch for 30 seconds.
- 4. Slowly release your head back to the middle.
- 5. Do the same thing on the other side.

# **For SHOULDERS**

- 1. Take a very deep breath in while shrugging your shoulders up towards your ears.
- 2. Hold this position for three seconds.
- 3. Slowly exhale while you release your shoulders back to their starting position.
- 4. Repeat this 10 times.





#### For LOWER BACK

- 1. Sit forward in your chair.
- Bring one knee into your chest using your hands to grasp the back of your thigh.
- 3. Pull the thigh gently towards your body.
- 4. Hold this stretch for 30 seconds.
- 5. Slowly release your leg back to the floor.
- 6. Do the same thing with the other leg.

#### For UPPER BACK

- 1. Give yourself a hug.
- Place your right hand on your left shoulder and your left hand on your right shoulder.
- 3. Take deep breaths into your back.
- 4. Hold this stretch for 30 seconds.
- 5. Slowly release your arms back to your sides.





# For CHEST

- Place your hands behind your head, keeping your elbows out like wings.
- 2. Reach your elbows towards the back wall while squeezing your shoulder blades together.
- 3. Hold this stretch for 30 seconds.
- 4. Slowly return your elbows back to the starting position.

#### For FEET

- 1. Place one foot in front of the other.
- With your back foot, tuck your foot under so the top portion of your toes is against the floor.
- 3. Gently apply pressure until you feel the stretch running along the top of the foot.
- 4. Hold this stretch for 30 seconds.
- 5. Slowly release your foot back to the starting position.
- 6. Swap foot positions and do the same thing with the other foot.





### For WRISTS

- 1. Clench both of your hands into fists.
- 2. Stretch your two fists out in front of you.
- 3. Make circles in the air with your wrists.
- 4. Circle both wrists 10 times to the right.
- 5. Circle both wrists 10 times to the left.

#### Reference:

 1. 10 Simple Chair Stretches That Will Totally Relieve Your Aches And Pains. Available from https://www.littlethings.com/pain-relief-stretches/1



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Are you often TIRED & IRRITABLE?\*

Is it **DIFFICULT TO CONCENTRATE**?\*

Does the pain make it **DIFFICULT TO EXERCISE**?\*

If you answer 'Yes' to any of these questions, you may need help in managing your symptoms. It is important to consult your healthcare professional.

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