

FITT Principles

EXERCISE AND

YOU



- Fine balance between providing just enough stress for the body to adapt to and allowing enough time for healing and adaptation to occur...
- *Cardiorespiratory Training* aerobic conditioning: ideally five or six sessions per week.
- **Resistance Training** a program that works **every** body part **every** session should be completed 3-4 days a week with a day's rest between sessions.

INTENSITY:

 It defines the amount of effort that should be invested in a training program or any one session. - there must be a balance between finding enough intensity to overload the body (so it can adapt)





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• Heart rate can be used to measure the intensity of cardiorespiratory training.

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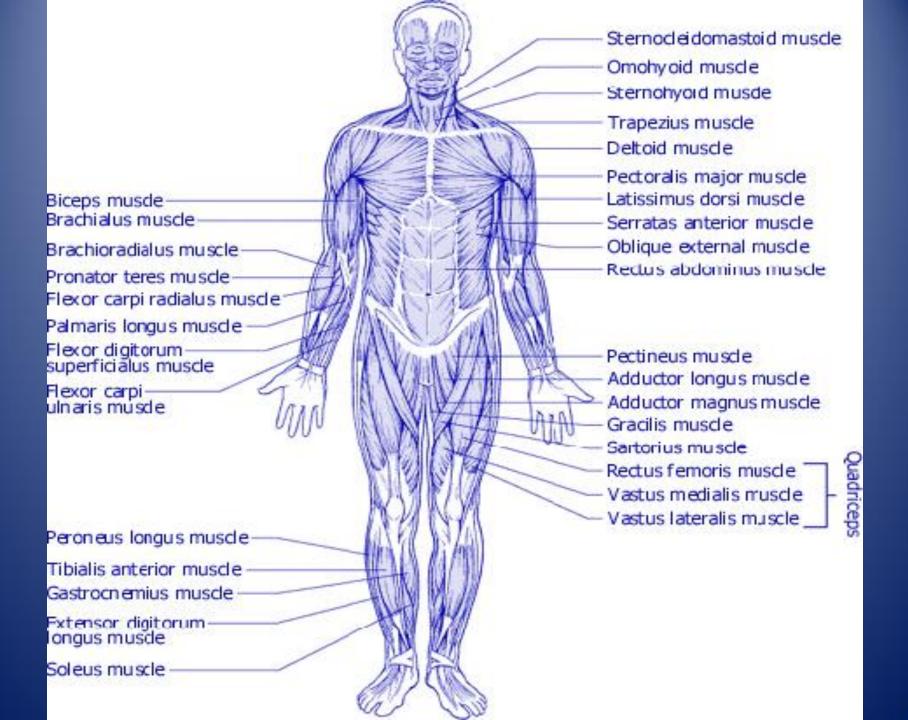
- Cardio Respiratory Training: aerobic endurance training target heart rate zone THR
- THR = 220 (0.85 x Age)
- MHR multiply by 80% = THR example 160 beat per minute.
- Resistance Training: workload is the primary measure of intensity:
 - 1. The amount of weight lifted during an exercise
 - 2. The number of repetitions completed for a particular exercise
 - 3. The length of time to complete all exercises in a set or total training session
- Only increase the intensity using one of the above parameters!





TYPE:

- Continuous in nature and make use of large muscle groups. Examples include running, walking, swimming, dancing, cycling, aerobics classes, circuit training, cycling etc.
- Resistance Training:
- Mean lifting weights. Resistance bands could be used as an alternative or perhaps a circuit training session that only incorporates bodyweight exercises.



TIME:

How long you should be exercising for??

- Cardio Respiratory Training:
- Target heart rate zone for a minimum of 20-30 minutes. This can increase to as much as 45-60 minutes as fitness levels increase.
- Resistance Training:
- is no longer than 45-60 minutes. Intensity has a say and particularly grueling strength sessions may last as little as 20 30 minutes.

REST

• Rest is probably the most important principal of the FITT philosophy. Exercising too frequently and too intensely hinders the body's ability to recover and adapt. As a rule of thumb, the harder you train, the more recovery you should allow for.





BE THE BEST YOU CAN BE!!



