



THE ZOO TWIST

3m 13s



Get your dancing shoes on! We are heading back to the 80s, to have some fun movin' and groovin' together!

Movement	Seated modifications	Other modifications	Progressions	Watch points
Banana Rama	Reach your arms up to the sky. Bend one elbow down towards your opposite knee (lifting your knee to your elbow if possible).	Do Banana Rama slowly (focusing on bringing your elbow towards your opposite knee)	Speed it up	* Elbow coming down towards the opposite knee * Chest upright & back straight * Squeezing tummy muscles
Kangaroo Jump	Do a jumping motion with your arms (and legs if you can), like you're propelling your body to jump up high in the air.	Walk around the room, and stop quickly when your teacher or parent says "stop". Sit still on an exercise ball, focusing on your balance.	Try the Kangaroo Balance on one leg (i.e. hopping on one leg, making sure to land softly with bent knees). Do 5-10 hops on one leg, then switch legs.	* Feet hip-width apart * Bent knees at take off and landing (to help absorb impact) * Using your arms to help you jump higher



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Monkey Twist	Move like the Monkey Twist in your chair	Do Monkey Twist with just your legs, and then with just your arms	Speed it up	* Upper body twisting in the opposite direction to lower body * Tummy muscles squeezed
Turtle Swim	Do the turtle arms up in the air. Reach your arms up high. As you swim your arms down, squeeze your shoulder blades together to help keep your hands back as far as possible.	Keep both feet on the floor and just do Turtle Swim arms. Squeeze your shoulder blades together, to pull your shoulders back and down. Hold each squeeze for as long as you can. Keep breathing deeply.	Try the Turtle Swim with your eyes closed (to challenge your balance).	* Back straight * Squeezing shoulder blades down and back * Keeping arms lifted as high as possible * Slow, controlled arm movement * Good balance (body and legs staying still)
Pigeon Pose	Same as the standard Pigeon Pose		Try Pigeon Pose on the floor... 1. Step your right foot back and lunge down to kneel on your right knee 2. Slide your left foot to the right, and place your hands on the floor in front of you 3. Slide your right leg back as far as you can 4. Lower your left knee and hips towards the floor	* The front leg ideally parallel with the pelvis (hip bones) * Pelvis (hip bones) facing straight forwards * Back leg in a straight line behind you