LESSON 7-12 Gymnastics Challenge

Early Years

mats,

benches,

boxtops,

wall bars.

EQUIPMENT:

Resource cards

Learning Intention: To perform Shapes, Jumps, Rolls using various apparatus in teams

Physical Development (Gross Motor Skill ELG):

Negotiate space and obstacles safely; with consideration for themselves and others.

Demonstrate strength, balance and co-ordination.

Move energetically, such as running, jumping, hopping, skipping and climbing

Warm up: **Starry Starry Night** (see Lesson 1). Safety: children to move carefully around the apparatus.

- 1. Teacher to split the group into Planet teams: e.g. **Jupiter, Mercury, Saturn, Neptune, Mars and Pluto**
- 2. Freddy and Fliss's challenge is for each Space team to gain points, when performing on a Space Station.

 These can be given for: teamwork, strong shapes, jumps, rolls, pointed toes, etc. Teacher to record scores.
- 3. Teacher to choose a Challenge circuit below. Note: You could do this over a number of lessons.

Note:

- Set up a circuit using apparatus at each station (see resource card for set-up)
- You can choose one of the circuits below for your lesson, or use a different one over four lessons
- Apparatus set-up is just a guideline: you can adapt the circuit to suit your school's facilities or just use mats.
- When performing on apparatus encourage children to show a clear **START**, **MIDDLE** and **FINISH**.
- Children should always show good **control** and have a **strong** body when performing.
- Children to be mini coaches, giving feedback to peers to help improve their performance and gain points.
- Children can video performances. (AFL)
- You can add music to the performance.
- Use the resource pictures as reminders for the short sequence.

Alien Challenge Circuit

Alien Challenge Circuit: Space Station 1– 6 (see resource card)

Children to imagine they are slow –moving Aliens on the equipment. Can they explore different ways of travelling around, on, over or under the equipment. **More Able:** To move in different directions and levels.

Shapes Challenge Circuit

Shapes Challenge Circuit: Space Station 1– 6 (see resource card)

Children to explore different ways of travelling around, on, over or under the apparatus using strong Space shapes. Space shapes – Rocket shape, Star shape, Sitting Star, Moon, Dish Shape, Flying Saucer, Squatty Alien, Pike Alien. More Able: To point their toes when performing Space shapes.

Jumps Challenge Circuit: Space Station 1– 6 (see resource card)

Jumps off apparatus - Rocket Jump and Star Jump. More Able: To point toes when jumping.

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Alien Challenge Circuit

Freddy and Fliss's challenge is for each Space team to move on the apparatus like Aliens. Points can be awarded for: teamwork, interesting Alien moves, pointed toes, etc. Teacher to record scores.

Teacher to split the group into Planet teams:

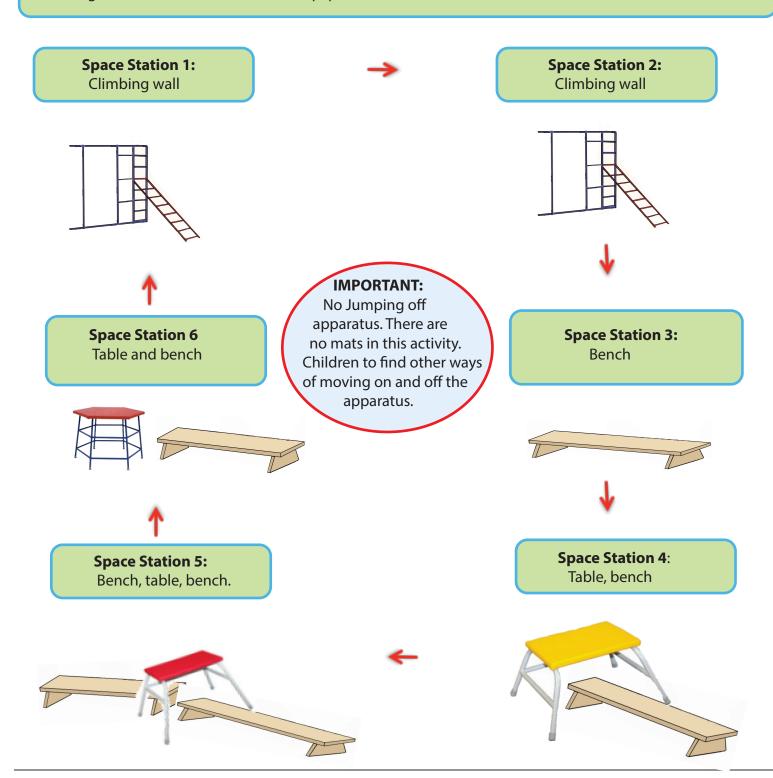
Jupiter, Mercury, Saturn, Neptune, Mars and Pluto





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Shapes Challenge Circuit

Freddy and Fliss's challenge is for each Space team to move on the apparatus in Space shapes. Points can be awarded for: Teamwork, strong Space shapes, pointed toes, etc. Teacher to record scores.

Teacher to split the group into Planet teams:

Jupiter, Mercury, Saturn, Neptune, Mars and Pluto

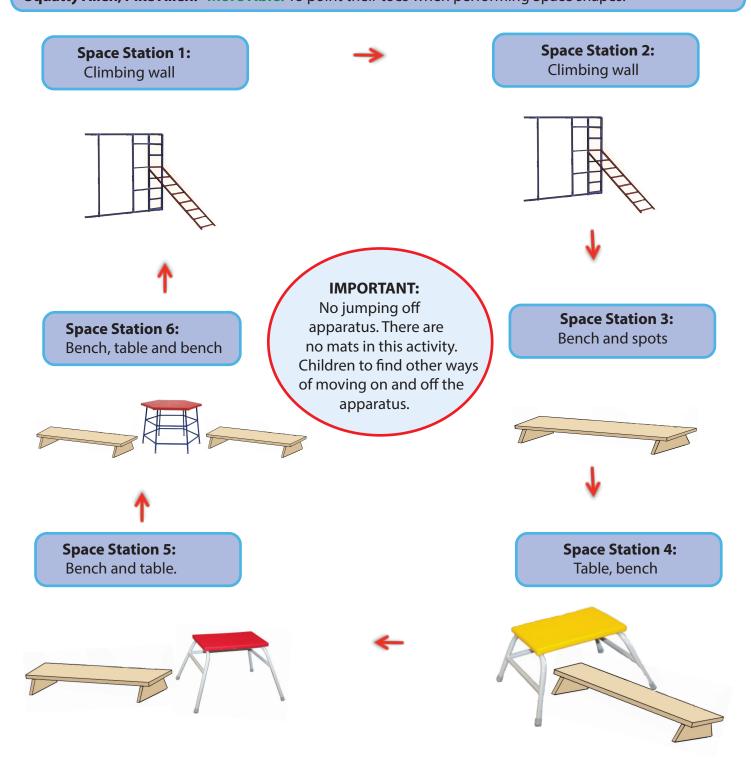
Note: Apparatus below are just a guide, you can use any equipment you have.





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Jumps Challenge Circuit

Freddy and Fliss's challenge is for each Space team to Jump off the apparatus safely. Points can be awarded for: teamwork, a good landing, looking forward, pointed toes, etc. Groups to record scores.

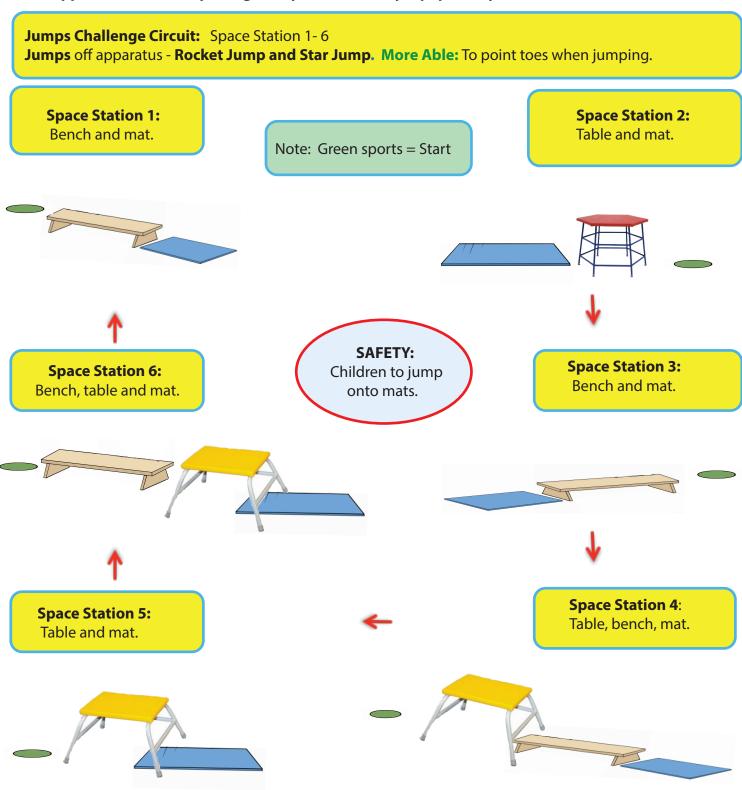
Teacher to split the group into Planet teams:

Jupiter, Mercury, Saturn, Neptune, Mars and Pluto





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Class Score Card EYFS

Challenge





You can record scores below:

Team Name	Tally	Total	Position
Jupiter			
Mercury			
Neptune			
Saturn			
Mars			
Pluto			