

Instructor Name	
Date / Time of Class	

Remember the 3x (GST) rule:

General corrections after entire group attempts item Specific corrections for each swimmer Try it again and apply corrections

Lesson #1 of 1

Notes / Time	Activity / Topic	Formation
3 min	Dolphin Kick - Arms Extended - 2020	wave
	Have swimmers perform proper dolphin kick with their arms	
	extended in front, without an aid. The extension of the arms helps to	
	maintain a proper streamlined body position, and kicking without an	
	aid helps to bring the entire body through a dolphin motion.	
	Equipment: none	
	Skill Used: Dolphin Kick 15m	
10 min	Intervals - 2020	length circle
	1. Have swimmers perform 6 X 25m using the stroke of their choice,	
	with a 15-second rest in between.	
	2. In the next lesson, decrease the rest to 10 seconds, then 5	
	seconds in the following lesson.	
	3. Finally, have the swimmers perform this continuously, without any rest.	
	4. Once they are comfortable with this, then have them perform the	
	distance with the same stroke	
	Variation: Have them choose their most difficult stroke.	
	Equipment: none	
	Skill Used: Distance Swim 150m	

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3 min	 Alternating Arms - 2020 1. Review should roll with students. 2. Review back glide with kick with one arm up, one arm down. 3. Switch arm position and practice. 4. Have students practice back crawl. Being with one arm up and one arm down, lift the shoulder of the lower arm and switch arm position. 5. Practice in slow motion, then decrease the pause between switches. 	length circle
	Equipment: none Skill Used: Back Crawl 50m	
3 min	Deep Water Scull - 2020 1. Make sure you are in deep water where you cannot touch 2. Practice basic two-hand sculling and keep your feet together (crossed). 3. Be sure to keep your head up and your body straight. 4. Create whirlpools at the surface 5. Start by sculling just 20 seconds at a time then gradually increase the amount of time to several minutes. 6. For variety, change your body position very slowly while keeping the hand action very fast - do not kick Equipment: none Skill Used: Front Scull 15m	circle
3 min	Skill Osed. Front Scull 15m Sculling - 2020 1. Swimmers scull on back with head up 2. arms up in a large "Y" position, arms straight out at stomach/chest level with elbows slightly bent, arms straight down at hip level Equipment: none Skill Used: Elementary Back Stroke 25m	wave

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3 min	 Vertical Flutter Kick - 2020 1. Position yourself vertically in deep enough water that you cannot touch the bottom 2. Face lane rope and hold on to it with your arms extended 3. Begin to slowly flutter kick, keeping body at a vertical position with good posture 4. Feet should separate only about 12 inches 5. Gradually kick a little harder so that your shoulders come above the surface 	
	Equipment: lane rope Skill Used: Front Crawl 50m	
3 min	Kickboard Kick - 2020 Have swimmers swim whip kick on their backs while holding a kickboard over their chest. The kickboard helps them maintain a horizontal body position in the water. Equipment: kickboard	wave
	Skill Used: Whip Kick on Front 15m	
5 min	 Reaching Assist - 2020 1. Review throwing an assist with and without a line. 2. Ask swimmers to show you what they might do if a struggling swimmer were close to the edge. 3. Have swimmers try different ways of performing a reaching assist (e.g., standing up, sitting down, lying down). 4. Have swimmers explain which reaching assist was the safest for them. 5. Review with the swimmers how to perform a safe reaching assist. Equipment: throwing assists with a line and without a line, reaching 	
	assists,	
	Skill Used: Reaching Assist with Rescue Equipment	

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3 min	Discovering your Stride - 2020	scatter
	 Have swimmers practise different ways to enter the water without letting their heads go underwater. Have swimmers practise maximizing their surface area (spread arms and legs) as they enter the water. Next, have swimmers minimize their surface area (bring arms and legs close to the body) as they enter. Have swimmers practise taking large steps on land. Have swimmers take large steps into the water. Emphasize that it's a step, not a jump. Have swimmers take a large step using their maximum surface area. Demonstrate a stride jump and have swimmers practise. 	
	Skill Used: Stride Entry	