

**NEW TOWN SECONDARY SCHOOL  
DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

14 February 2020

**SECONDARY 2  
PHYSICAL HEALTH & FITNESS  
LESSON 2 : HEART RATE & FITNESS**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**(A) Some facts about Heart Rate**

Your heart rate, or pulse, is the number of times your heart beats per minute. Normal heart rate varies from person to person. Knowing yours can be an important heart-health gauge.

Your **resting heart rate** is the heart pumping the lowest amount of blood you need when you're not exercising. If you're sitting or lying and calm, relaxed and aren't ill, your heart rate is normally between 60 (beats per minute) and 100 (beats per minute).

But a heart rate lower than 60 doesn't necessarily signal a medical problem. **A lower heart rate is also common for people who get a lot of physical activity or are very athletic.** Active people often have lower heart rates because their heart muscle is in better condition and doesn't need to work as hard to maintain a steady beat.

Moderate physical activity doesn't usually change the resting pulse much. If you're very fit, it could change to 40. A less active person might have a heart rate between 60 and 100. That's because the heart muscle has to work harder to maintain bodily functions, making it higher.

**(B) Match the definitions to the correct Heart Rate**

Resting Heart Rate

Taken during or straight after exercise

Working Heart Rate

Taken every minute after exercise and the quicker your heart rate returns to normal, the fitter you are.

Recovery Heart Rate

Taken before exercise

**(C) Gaining a Lifeskill: Reading pulses!**

Fill in the blanks on the two main areas to measure your heart rate/pulse:



R \_\_\_\_\_ pulse

C \_\_\_\_\_ pulse

**(D) My Personal Readings:**

My Resting heart rate (RHR): \_\_\_\_\_ beats per minute (bpm)

**NEW TOWN SECONDARY SCHOOL**  
**DEPARTMENT OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION**

14 February 2020

My estimated Maximum Heart Rate (MHR) = 220 – your current age

= \_\_\_\_\_ bpm

How to calculate your EHR (bpm)

- On stopwatch / HP timer for 10 seconds
- Count the number of bops on wrist or neck
- Multiply number by 6 to get reading for 1 minute = 60 seconds
- You have just calculated your Exercising Heart Rate (EHR) reading!

**(E) Whats the connection?**

No	PHYSICAL ACTIVITY	INTENSITY	Exercising Heart Rate EHR (bpm)	$P =$ $\frac{\text{Exercising Heart Rate (EHR)}}{\text{Maximum Heart Rate (MHR)}} \times 100\%$
1	<b>Sitting – Relaxed</b>	<b>LOW</b>	bpm	%
2	<b>Standing - Relaxed</b>	<b>LOW</b>	bpm	%
3	<b>Brisk Walk (3 rounds the court)</b>	<b>LOW</b>	bpm	%
4	<b>Jog 1 round the field</b>	<b>MODERATE</b>	bpm	%
5	<b>25 Jumping Jacks</b>	<b>HIGH</b>	bpm	%
6	<b>Suicide Runs</b>	<b>VERY HIGH</b>	bpm	%
7	<b>TABATA</b>	<b>VERY HIGH</b>	bpm	%

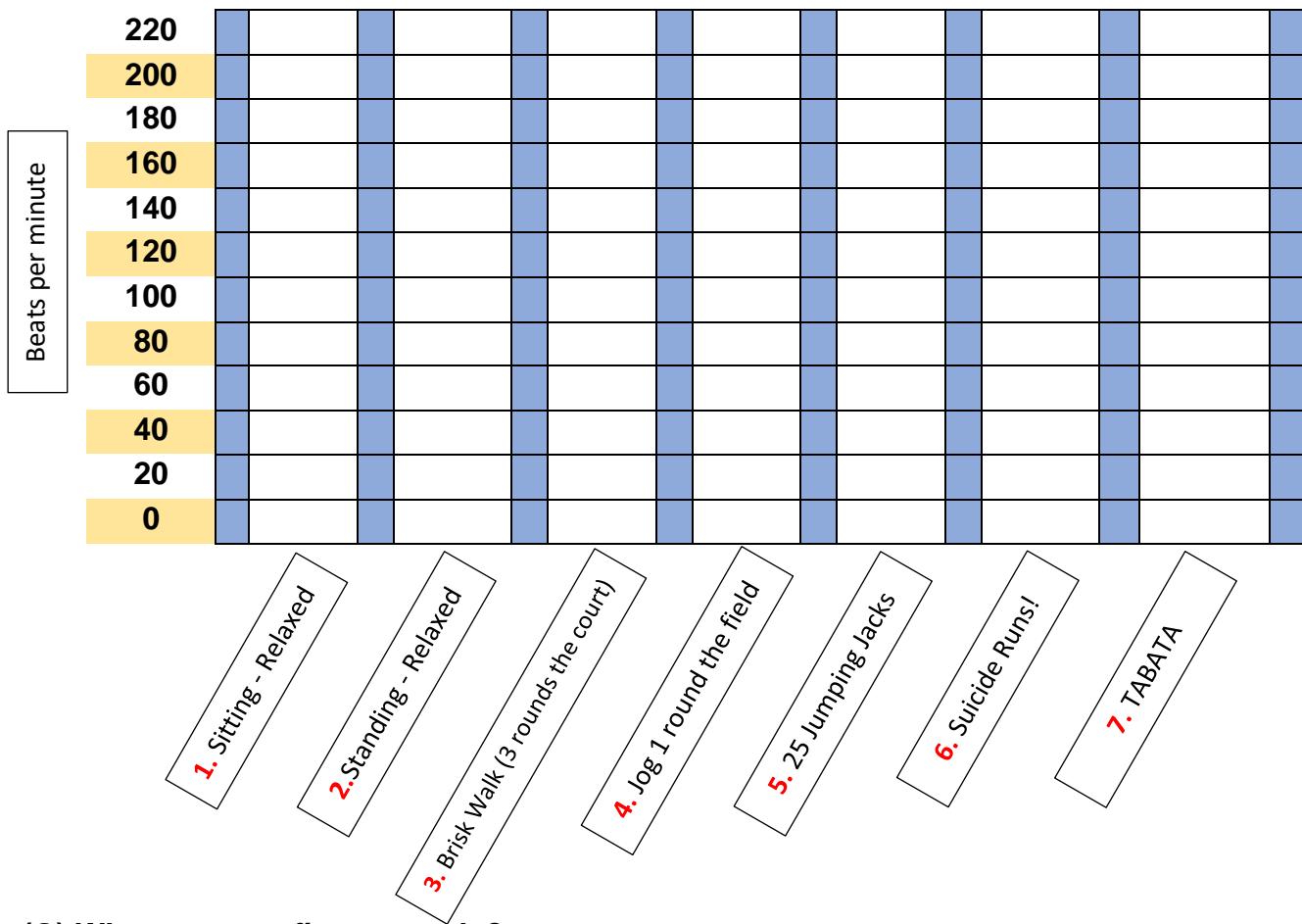
\*Teacher may choose between Suicide Runs / TABATA for 'Very High' Intensity activity.

$$P = \frac{\text{Exercising Heart Rate (EHR)}}{\text{Maximum Heart Rate (MHR)}} \times 100\%$$

\*your MHR is 220 – your current age

(F) Create your graph here!

## HEART RATE



(G) What are your fitness goals?

Use the table below to help you decide the target heart rate intensity you need to reach your goals.

	TARGET ZONE HEART RATE	EXAMPLE DURATION	
Maximize Performance	VERY HARD 90-100%	LESS THAN 5 MIN	171-190 BPM  BENEFITS: develops maximum performance and speed FEELS LIKE: very exhausting for breathing and muscles RECOMMENDED FOR: fit persons and for athletic training
	HARD 80-90%	2-10 MIN	152-171 BPM  BENEFITS: increases maximum performance capacity FEELS LIKE: muscular fatigue and heavy breathing RECOMMENDED FOR: everybody for shorter exercises
Improve Fitness	MODERATE 70-80%	10-40 MIN	133-152 BPM  BENEFITS: improves aerobic fitness FEELS LIKE: light muscular strain, easy breathing, moderate sweating RECOMMENDED FOR: everybody for moderately long exercises
	LIGHT 60-70%	40-80 MIN	114-133 BPM  BENEFITS: improves basic endurance and fat burning FEELS LIKE: comfortable, easy breathing, low muscle load, light sweating RECOMMENDED FOR: everybody for longer and frequently repeated shorter exercises
Lose Weight	VERY LIGHT 50-60%	20-40 MIN	104-114 BPM  BENEFITS: improves overall health and helps recovery FEELS LIKE: very easy for breathing and muscles RECOMMENDED FOR: weight management and active recovery