## Progressive Muscle Relaxation Chart



Tense and then relax one group of muscles at a time.

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Clench them into fists

**Wrists & Forearms** 

Extend them fully and bend your hands back at the wrist

**Upper Arms & Biceps** 

Clench your hands into fists, bend your arms at the elbow and flex your biceps

**Shoulders** 

Shrug them up towards your ears

**Forehead** 

Wrinkle it into a deep frown

**Eyes & Bridge of Nose** 

Close your eyes as tightly as possible (remove contact lenses before starting)

**Cheeks & Jaws** 

Smile as widely as you can

**Back of The Neck** 

Press the back of your head against the floor

**Front of The Neck** 

Touch your chin to your chest

## **Progressive Muscle Relaxation Chart**



Chest

Take a deep breath in and hold it for 5-10 seconds

**Stomach** 

Suck your tummy into a tight knot

**Hips & Buttocks** 

Clench your buttocks together tightly

**Thighs** 

Clench them

**Lower Legs & Ankles** 

Point your toes up towards the ceiling and then curl them down towards the floor

- 1. **Breathe in** through your nose and tense the first muscle group for 5-10 seconds.
- 2. **Breathe out** and completely relax the muscle group (all at once).
- 3. Stay completely **relaxed** for 10-20 seconds before moving on to the next muscle group.