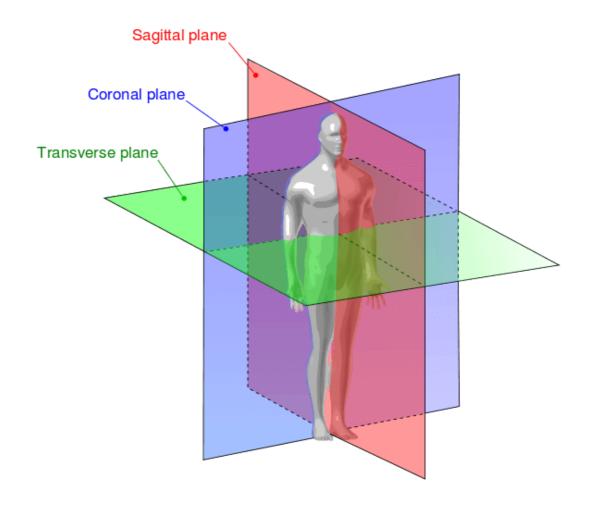
PLANES OF MOTION STUDY GUIDE

3 PLANES OF MOTION:

- Sagittal Plane: Divides the body into right and left halves
- Frontal Plane (coronal plane): Divides the body into front and back halves
- Transverse Plane (horizontal plane): Divides the body into top and bottom halves



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SAGITTAL PLANE

Definition: The sagittal plane is a plane that divides the body into right and left halves.

Motion: Sagittal plane motion runs in a forward, backward, up and/or down direction - Imagine being trapped in a narrow hallway.

Note: The muscles that move us in this plane, generally run up and down in the front and back of our bodies.

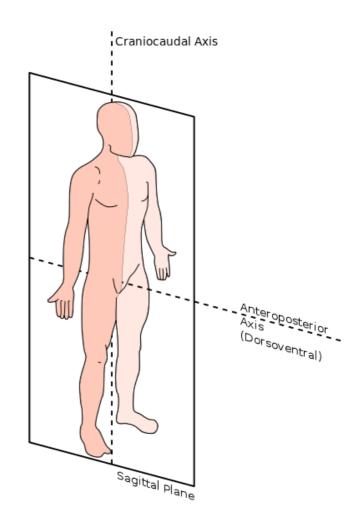
SAMPLE EXERCISES

Upper: Close Grip Row

Lower: Leg Press

Total: Running

Core: Planks



FRONTAL/CORONAL PLANE

Definition: The frontal plane is a plane that divides the body into front and back halves.

Motion: Frontal plane motion runs in side-to-side, up and/or down direction - Imagine being sandwiched between two pieces of glass (one in front and one in back).

Note: The muscles that move us in this plane generally run up and down on the sides of our body.

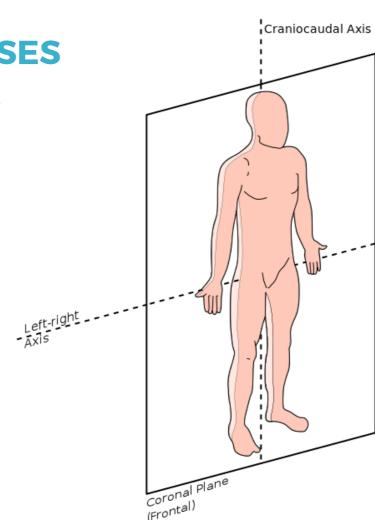


Upper: Wide Grip Row

Lower: Lateral Lunge

Total: Jumping Jacks

Core: Side Planks



TRANSVERSE/HORIZONTAL PLANE

Definition: The transverse plane is a plane that divides the body into top and bottom halves.

Motion: Transverse plane motion generally refers to motion that rotates, pivots or moves horizontally medial to lateral/lateral to medial - Think of how your joints would move with a pin stuck straight through from the top (also known as an x axis).

Note: The muscles that move us in this plane generally run horizontally across our body or diagonally (obliquely).

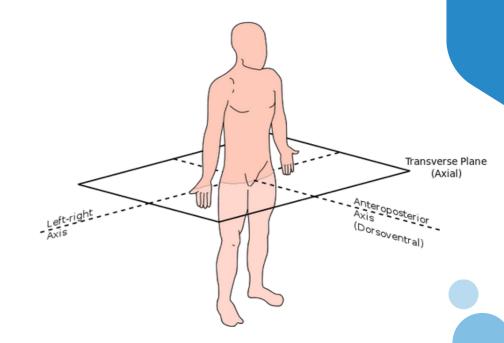
SAMPLE EXERCISES

Upper: Bench Press

Lower: Clamshells

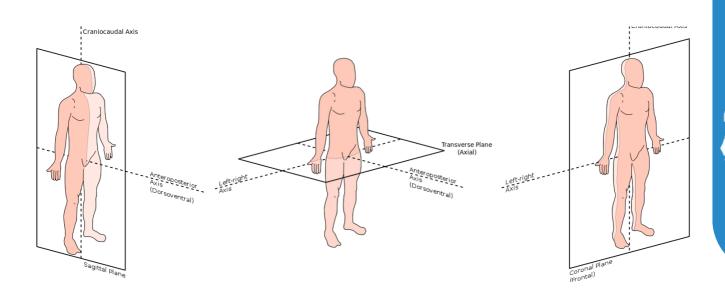
Total: Golf Swing

Core: Axe Chop



Match the correct letter to the image

- A. Frontal/Coronal Plane
- **B.** Sagittal Plane
- C. Transverse/Horizontal Plane



Name as many *sagittal plane* exercises as you can think of!

Upper Body	Lower Body
•	•
Core	Whole Body
•	•

Name as many *frontal plane* exercises as you can think of!

Upper Body	Lower Body
•	•
Core	Whole Body
•	•

Name as many transverse plane exercises as you can think of!

Lower Body •
• Whole Body

SAGITTAL PLANE EXERCISES

Upper Body

- Close Grip Row
- Close Grip Push Ups
- Close Grip Pull Ups
- Close Grip Shoulder Press
- Front Shoulder Raise
- Triceps Extension
- Biceps Curl

Lower Body

- Leg Press
- Squats
- Step-Ups
- Forward Lunge
- Dead-lifts

Core

- Crunches
- Reverse Crunches
- Sit-Ups
- Planks

Whole Body

- Running
- Sprinting
- Jumping
- Cycling



FRONTAL/CORONAL PLANE EXERCISES

Upper Body • Wide Grip Row • Lat Pull Down • Military Press • Lateral Shoulder Raise Core Whole Body • Side Bending • Side Planks



TRANSVERSE/HORIZONTAL PLANE EXERCISES

Upper Body

- Push Ups
- Bench Press
- Chest Fly
- Reverse Fly
- Wide Grip High Row

ROW

Core

- Russian Twists
- Axe Chops
- Oblique Crunch

Lower Body

- Turning
- Transverse Plane Lunge
- Clamshells

Whole Body

- Golf Swing
- Baseball Swing





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