## 7. Maintain good posture and try to stand more, incorporating simple "Strike It" poses into your daily routine and standing every 20 30 minutes when seated.



Maintaining good posture and incorporating regular standing breaks into your routine are important for several reasons:

- Musculoskeletal Health: Good posture helps distribute the force of gravity evenly through the body, reducing strain on muscles and joints. When you sit for extended periods, especially with poor posture, it can lead to muscle imbalances and stiffness in certain areas, while others become weakened. Regular standing breaks help alleviate this by allowing your muscles to stretch and readjust.
- Prevention of Chronic Conditions: Prolonged sitting with poor posture can contribute to the development of chronic conditions such as back pain, neck pain, and even spinal misalignments. By incorporating standing breaks and "Strike It" poses into your routine, you're actively working to counteract these negative effects and promote overall spinal health.
- Improved Circulation: Sitting for long periods can impede blood circulation, leading to issues such as swollen ankles and
  increased risk of blood clots. Standing up and moving around periodically helps stimulate blood flow, keeping your body functioning
  optimally.
- Regular standing may contribute to lower levels of circulating fats in the blood by promoting increased activity of enzymes that break down fats and enhancing lipid metabolism, potentially leading to reduced concentrations of fatty substances in the bloodstream. Standing regularly can help improve blood flow and circulation, potentially reducing the risk of developing blood clots and decreasing the concentration of fibrinogen, a protein involved in blood clotting, in the bloodstream.
- Increased Energy and Productivity: Sedentary behavior has been linked to decreased energy levels and reduced
  productivity. By standing more frequently and incorporating movement into your day, you can combat feelings of fatigue and
  maintain mental alertness.
- Enhanced Mood and Well-being: Physical activity, even in small doses like standing breaks and gentle stretching, can have
  a positive impact on mood by releasing endorphins and reducing stress levels. Incorporating these practices into your daily routine
  can contribute to an overall sense of well-being.
- Strike It poses offer numerous benefits: Including enhanced muscle flexibility, targeting chronically tight muscles, and strengthening key muscle groups such as the core, back, and legs to support proper posture and reduce the risk of imbalances and weakness. Additionally, these poses aid in postural correction by targeting areas prone to poor posture, promoting better alignment and addressing imbalances. Furthermore, Strike It poses provide stress relief through mindful movement and stretching, contributing to overall well-being, while also aiding in injury prevention by improving flexibility, strength, and body awareness to mitigate risks during daily activities or intense exercise.

In summary, maintaining good posture, incorporating standing breaks, and engaging in simple stretches and poses are crucial for promoting musculoskeletal health, preventing chronic conditions, improving circulation, boosting energy and productivity, and enhancing mood and overall well-being.