## WEEK 1

The first week is all about gently getting moving. Go at a pace that's right for you. The aim is to be a little out of breath at the end of each session, but no more..

| Session 1 <br> Ease into your Couch to 5K plan with a 15 minute brisk walk. | Session 2 <br> Start out with a 5 minute brisk walk to gently warm up. Then repeat the following 8 times: jog/run for 1 minute followed by 1 minute of walking. | Session 3 <br> Start out with a 5 minute brisk walk. Then repeat the following 8 times: jog/run for 1 minute followed by 1 minute of walking. |
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## WEEK 2

Gently building on week one, this week sees the jogging segments of each session increase in length slightly. Keep these jogging segments nice and controlled. Use each walking segment to recover and gather your thoughts for the next jog.

| Session 4 |
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| Start out with a 5 minute brisk |
| walk. Then repeat the |
| following 6 times: jog/run for |
| 1.5 minutes followed by 2 |
| minutes of walking. |$\quad$| Session 5 |
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| Repeat the previous session |
| - start out with a 5 minute |
| brisk walk. Then repeat the |
| following 6 times: jog/run |
| for 1.5 minutes followed by 2 |
| minutes of walking. |$\quad$| Start out with a 5 minute |
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| brisk walk. Then repeat the |
| following 8 times: jog/run |$\quad$| for minutes followed by 2 |
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| minutes of walking. |

## WEEK 3

Once again, week three sees a gradual increase in the amount of time spent jogging. You'll build up to jogging for one four minute period in the second and third session - stay focused and try to keep your pace steady for the duration.


## WEEK 4

Four weeks in and hopefully you have found a routine that works for you. This week's sessions build up the running segments once more and you're now running more than walking. Keep at it.


## WEEK 5

This weeks sees us through the half way point of the plan. Stay focused during the jogging segments and try to keep your pace consistent from start to finish.


## WEEK 6

You're well on your way to running a 5K now. Look back to week one to see how far you have come. Not every session will be easy, but stay with it this week and over the next few weeks as you close in on your 5 K target.


## WEEK 7

This week we're really moving things on, jogging for 8 and then 9 minutes non-stop. Once again, don't worry about your pace, it's more important to stay relaxed and keep a nice steady rhythm through each segment.

| Session 19 | Session 20 |
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| Start out with a 5 minute brisk <br> walk. Then repeat the <br> following 3 times: jog/run for 8 <br> minutes followed by 2 minutes <br> of walking. | Session <br> Repeat the previous session <br> - start out with a 5 minute <br> brisk walk. Then repeat the <br> following 3 times: jog/run <br> for 8 minutes followed by 2 <br> minutes of walking. | | Start out with a 5 minute |
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| brisk walk. Then repeat the |
| following 3 times: jog/run |
| for 9 minutes followed by 2 |
| minutes of walking. |

## WEEK 8

Into the penultimate week now, and about two months since the start - hopefully you can feel the benefits. Start to think about your end goal and how close you are.


## WEEK 9

This is the week where you will complete your 5K run and earn your well deserved medal. Remember there are no prizes for speed - it's all about keeping focused, staying relaxed and building up to your goal.


