

Breathe – phrase 1

Notes

Beat/ Bar	Support	Leg gesture and/or direction	Arm/ Head gesture	Torso	Guidance
Starting position	Weight placement is centred; feet in parallel	Standing CSL facing SR	Arms hanging by sides; head is neutral	Straight	Neutral body posture; focus out
6, 7, 8		X3 walks to enter LRL	Natural		Heel led Entrance
&		Pivot onto ball of L foot beginning to turn anticlockwise			Sense of breath in
1, 2		Turning inwards (anticlockwise) by L shoulder take 2 long runs; RL towards SR	Natural arms	Sympathetic to turning motion; slightly forwards	Fall into runs with weight into legs to ground the movement
3		Join R to left facing front	Focus to SR		
4			Head turns sharply to SL; arms hanging by sides	Straight	
5, 6	HOLD				

7, 8		Repeat 2 long runs turning inwards (anticlockwise) by L shoulder, RL	Natural arms	Sympathetic to turning motion; slightly forwards	
1, 2	Both feet should be in parallel in side lunge weight centred evenly	Step RL into ½ parallel side lunge (R bent, L straight) to face USR	R arm slices across body over L shoulder to side opposition; focus is to DSL	Upright	
3			Break R arm at wrist down towards body so that palm of R hand faces floor		R arm should finish by side of R hip
4		Join L foot to join R with feet together; face DSL	Place L hand on top of R hand; focus to hands	Straight	
5, 6			Breaking arms at elbows circle inwards from R to L across body; hands passing R to L shoulder; upper body and head follow direction of arms	Passing through moment of high release	
7, 8		Step R; L towards SR			Weight can fall into runs from previous movement
1&2		Hop on L with R knee in parallel retire; land LR into ½ side lunge (L bent, R straight) facing front; R hand	Both hands on R lifted knee in hop; R hand holds back of R knee; L is placed on L thigh	Body shifts accordingly in side bend to R to accommodate holding back of L	

		holds back of R knee; L is placed on L thigh; body shifts accordingly in side bend to R		knee with L hand	
3	HOLD				
4&		Join L to R into small parallel knees bent facing SL	Repeat inward circle of arms broken at elbow (as in count 7 above) from R to L; arms are 'hugged' inside body; focus is down (inward)	Forwards	
5		Legs straight Parallel	Release arms sequentially through elbows to extend out sideways	High release and 'breath' upwards as body starts to fall forwards through arms	Heels are down
6				Body continues to fall forwards through arms	Motion continues from count 5
7&		2 long runs R; L towards SL	Focus towards SL		
8, 1		Turning by R shoulder en dehors (outwards); R tucks into ½ kneel facing back	R arm scoops outwards then R hand plants onto the floor close to R leg		

2, 3		Continuing same direction of motion; put weight into R hand to push up and over onto R 'scooting' into ½ kneel once more facing DSL	L arm during scoot circles inward to finish at the R side of R knee with dynamic stop; focus follows L arm		
4	HOLD				
5, 6		L knee falls out to side onto floor	Body and head circle from R to L in high release breath		Suspended motion
7			Plant both hands on floor (USL)	Continue pathway of motion in body	
8		Put weight into hands to allow hips to lift and twist sufficiently to land R; L facing USR shifting weight into legs	Weight into hands as in a handstand motion		
1		Join feet together (R to L) to face DSR; legs straight	Pull hands close inside body as repeated gesture (4&)	Upper body curve	Repeated gesture
2		Legs straight in parallel	Release arms sequentially out sideways through elbows (repeated gesture (5); head releases into high release 'breath'	High release	Repeated gesture
3, 4			Continue motion and breath through arms and upper body		

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5	Step back on R	Lower arms to sides	Torso recovers to	
	facing DSR	and eyeline to neutral	neutral posture	
6	Step out on L natural	R arm throws	In side bend to L	Body faces DSL
	turnout up to USL; R	overhead circling		
	extends low and long	inwards; head		
	towards DSR	relaxed to L		
7, 8, 1	Step turn step R, L, R		Upper body curve	
	towards DSR	and meets R into		
		bras behind body		
2, 3	Step shunt on L; R	Arms circle	Slightly forwards in	Feeling of contraction
	held by L ankle	backwards and then	throw motion	in centre
		throw forward		
				Drag continues
				through body and
				arms
4&	Step back on R and	Pull hands close		Repeated gesture
	join L; feet together	inside body as		
		repeated gesture		
		(4&); focus down		
5	Legs straight in	Release arms	High release	Repeated gesture
	parallel	sequentially out		
		sideways through		
		elbows (repeated		
		gesture (5 & 2); head		
		releases into high		
		release 'breath'		
6, 7, 8		Continue motion and		
		breath through arms		
		and upper body		
1	Run towards DSR	Arms lower as	Recovers to neutral	EXIT
		running	and upright	