## **Snowboard Trainer**

Exercises for your lesson

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## List of Versatility Tasks

Is about blending movements together to create exercises/tasks for high level riders.



#### Team exercises

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## How to use the Snowboard Trainer

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You will need to read a person's riding and come up with a lesson plan for the rider. This LIST will only give you a list of exercises if you run out of ideas.

Please do not use exercises on this list you don't already know.

This list is set up in the following categories

#### VERTICAL

is about flexing and extending which results in pressure control, managing pressure as well as increasing decreasing pressure.

exercises in vertical are focused on range of movement, timing, passive and active absorption, turn size, rhythm and flow, one vs the other as well as freestyle

#### ROTATIONAL

is about upper and lower body steering as well as spinning.

exercises in rotational are focused on lower body steering, upper body rotation, counter rotation, prewind and centered pivot point

#### LATERAL

is about moving across the board to create tilt and twist.

exercises in lateral are focused on angulation vs inclination and how to move the body to create edge or twist

LONGITUDINAL

is about moving fore and aft and create or release pressure on certain parts of the board.

exercises in longitudinal are focuses on moving fore and aft in riding situation as well as freestyle

For me this is the movement which determines if you are a good rider or a great rider similar to the special ingredients coca cola uses for the original coke taste.

### VERSATILITY TASK

is about blending movements together to create exercises taks for high level riders. those exercises should be taken apart and practiced before trying the final version

### TEAM

is about having fun as a team and learn from each other

### WARM UP

is about warming up before riding or while riding

Each category will focus on different movement within the snowboard universe, but it doesn't mean that you can neglect the rest or that this exercise only focuses on this movement.

Think of the butterfly effect, if you change something it might improve the rest in someones riding but it could also show other inefficiencies.

If a rider is mainly making medium size turns but is flexing down to quickly you may focus on a slower more progressive flexing movement. If the rider or you as the instructor then decides that for this terrain a smaller/larger turn would be of benefit you can't just change the timing of the vertical movement but need to adjust the rest as well.

## Vertical

List of Exercises for vertical movements

Is about flexing and extending which results in pressure control, managing pressure as well as increasing decreasing pressure.

#### **Range of Movement**

- small

dwarf, low rider, mouse,

- TALL

GIANT, GIRAFFE

- small vs TALL
- hopping stationary in motion

## Timing

with Basic Movement Pattern also known as (up unweighted)

or

Dynamic Movement Pattern also known as (down unweighted)

- Breath in Breath out Basic Movement Pattern
- Start TALL finish small Basic Movement Pattern
- Start small finish Tall
- Dynamic Movement Pattern
- Pivot Slips Basic Movement Pattern

Dynamic Movement Pattern

- J Turns

Basic Movement Pattern Dynamic Movement Pattern

- C Turns

Basic Movement Pattern Dynamic Movement Pattern

- Counting
- Turns

with one turn with a Basic Movement Pattern

and the other with a Dynamic Movement Pattern

- Basketball

Basic Movement Pattern shooting the ball (getting taller for edge change) bouncing the ball (getting smaller)

- Turn Size small smedium medium

Large

## Absorption

Independent Leg Movement Passive you simply just absorb

- Traversing

Moguls

Bumpy Terrain

- Crud
- Ceiling
- Blindfolded

only in pairs with the partner constantly speaking or making noise so you know he is still there.

Start with traversing

- Turning in Moguls / bumpy Terrain / Crud
- Ceiling
- Love the Bumps
- loosen up and don't be scared off the bumps
- Breath in Breath out

## Active

- Pumping Rollers
- Moguls
- Pre jump
  - Bump Roller

Mogul

- Suck it up / Push it down
- Bad Ollies

landing on the Nose

### **Rhythm and Flow**

- Breath in Breath out
- Counting
- Singing
- Yoga

## One vs the other

- small vs TALL
- explosive vs slow
- Basic vs Dynamic
- Passive vs Active
- Continuous vs to slow to quick

## Freestyle

- two footed hop
- tail tap
  - Stationary
  - in motion

# Rotational

List of Exercises for rotation

Is about upper and lower body steering as well as spinning.

## Lower Body Steering

- Bow Tie

without board turn the whole leg to create a bow tie shape with your boot in the snow show difference between a straight and a flexed knee with board on: step on board behind the board heelside edge in front of the board toeside edge

- J Turn 1 or 2 footed
- Garland focus on steering the board out off the falline with front knee steering
- Point front knee where you want to go
  Outlining the nose of the board with front knee
  Torch on front knee
  Gun on front knee
  Laser on front knee
  Front leg as joystick
  Hands on knee ospecially boalside turns
- Hands on knee especially heelside turns
- Dwarf turns

to show clients, how much more powerful a flexed knee is compared to an extended (giant turn)

## **Upper Body Rotation**

- Point where you want to go
- Look where you want to go
- Water Bucket
- Drawing an 8

- Hands on Jacket (Also good to stop or feel their counter rotation, but first give them the tool for steering)

Hands on Pants

Hands behind the back (Toe side turn)

front hand in front and back hand behind the back (Heel side turn)

front hand behind the back and back hand in front (Toe side turn)

- Giant Turns

to show clients, that a tall position might cause them to use upper body rotation

- Dwarf turns
  - work with upper body rotation begin with and then bring in lower body steering
- J Turn 1 or 2 footed more powerful less precise
- Powder Turns (turns in powder)
  Slush Turns (similar to powder but for Slush)
  upper body rotation a good tool to add more power to the steering in a turn

## **Counter Rotation**

- Hockey Stop / Quick Stop
- Scissor Slipping
- Shifty Airs stationary / in motion
- Shifty Flatland stationary / not recommended while in motion due to catching an edge

## Prewind

- Nose and Tail Turns stationary / in motion
- Butters stationary / in motion
- for hop or jump 180° / 360° / 540° etc stationary / in motion

## **Centered Pivot**

- Scissor Slipping
- Pivot Slips with focus on aligned board and body
- Pivot Slips with focus on anticipation
- Flat Land 360°

## Separation & Anticipation

- Boardslides Stationary
  - in motion
- using your gloves how anticipation works (spine/core is the glove which stores energy like a spring)
- Front hand pointing down the hill
- Pivot Slips

 Short Turns very skidded almost like a pivot slip skidded edged

### Turn Shape

- Dead Stop Turns
- Back up Turns
  Jigsaw Turns
- Funnel Tornado Turns Hourglass Turns
- Closed Turns for speed control
- Open Turns to gain speed on flatter terrain

## **Rhythm and Flow**

- Counting
- Follow the Leader
- Funnel
- Tornado Turns
- Powder 8 Turns
- Team up and try to create an 8 with your tracks

#### One vs the other

- Upper Body vs Lower Body
- Counter Rotation vs Rotation
- Anticipation v. Aligned
- Dwarf vs Giant
- Open vs Closed Turns

## Other ways to Turn

- Back foot kick

fun for spray turns in powder and slush but also tiring and inefficient

 Counter rotation turns good for quick stops / hockey stops tiring not good for rhythm and flow can be stressful on the body and can cause back ache

## Lateral

List of Exercises for lateral movements

Is about moving across the board to create tilt and twist.

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on your own (going to fall over)

with snowboard

trust your partner

on your own (going to fall over)

in motion

in fall line just rolling from edge to edge

in turns

## Edging

- Standing on your toes
- (open ankles) less stable and more tiring
- Stationary
- without the snowboard
- with snowboard
- in motion
- in a toe edge traverse
- in a toe side turn
- Bending knees over toes while balancing on the ball of your foot
- (flexed ankles) more stable and less tiring
- Stationary
- without the snowboard
- with snowboard
- in motion
- in a toe edge traverse
- in a toe side turn
- Edge Angle change
  - (can be adjusted through lateral movement or opening and closing ankle joint) Traverse
  - from low to high edge angle and back
  - Turns

from low to high edge angle (start skidded and then carve or increase grip) from high to low edge angle (start carved/edged and then skid or decrease grip) while carving adjust the size of the turn with different edge angles

- Increase edge angle at completion of the turn (for a better more stable platform to change edges) with just the back foot with both feet
- Quickly increase edge angle at completion of the turn (for a snappier edge change) with just the back foot with both feet
- Edge Wiggles down the fall line across the fall line
- Double Edge change turns
- Hanger Turns

hold a flat base before edge change

### **Torsional Twist**

- Gas Pedals (only use this to see if your guest can twist the board)

by pushing down the toes you open up the ankle joint (bad movement)

the guest COM gets pushed back on to the back foot which will prevent a smooth initiation of a turn

stationary

while sitting down

- Torsional Twist

Toe side

make them close the front ankle by bringing the front knee over the little toe while allowing the hip

and upper body to follow

(for intermediate and advanced riders you can add more power by lifting up your back toes)

Heel side

outline the nose of the board with your front knee and slowly push down the front heel

(for intermediate and advanced riders you can add more power by rolling on the ball of your foot with

your back foot)

On the slope

the instructor can place a snowboard boot under the guests snowboard to give them a platform

- Falling Leaf / Floating Leaf
- Garland / extreme falling leaf
- C-Turn

toe to heel

heel to toe

- Linking Turn

# Longitudinal

List of Exercises for longitudinal movements

Is about moving fore as well as create or release pressure on certain part of the board. For me this is the movement which determines if you are a good rider or a great rider similar to the speacial ingredients coca cola uses for the original coke taste.

## Shuffle the board back and forwards

- Stationary Lower Body Hips Upper Body - Traversing Lower Body continuous movement throughout the traverse Hips continuous movement throughout the traverse Upper Body continuous movement throughout the traverse - Turning Lower Body continuous movement throughout the turn or timed Hips continuous movement throughout the turn or timed Upper Body continuous movement throughout the turn or timed - Bumps timed movement pushing the board forward going up pushing the board back going down to regain balance first while Traversing then while Turning - Turning while being Centered leaning Forward leaning Backward then try different combinations

### Freestyle

- Tail Press Manual Wheelie stationary in motion - Nose Press stationary in motion - Tail Press / Nose Press Race Longest stationary in motion Highest stationary in motion - Ollie stationary in motion

## - Nollie

stationary in motion

# **Versatility Tasks**

List of exercises for combinations of different movements

Is about blending movements together to create exercises/tasks for high level riders.

- Edge change hopped / jumped
- Dolphin Turns
- Shark Turns (nollie and landing on the tail)
- One Dolphin Turn one Shark Turn
- Toe to Toe Turns
- Heel to Heel Turns
- Flatland 360° in Bumps
- Loose Bindings
- Loose Boots
- Loose Bindings and Boots
- No Highbacks
- Shark vs Jellyfish
- GS (medium to large) Turns in Bumps / Moguls
- Zipper Line Bumps / Moguls
- Raceboard Stance / Forward Stance
- Make up your own

either by putting some movement options / tasks to paper then pick two papers and put them to the test ad more movements and tasks to the mix to create combos

## **Team Exercise**

#### List of team exercises

Is about having fun as a team an learn from each other.

- Snowboard Swap
- Human Slalom
- Copycat
- Most (turns, jumps, high fives etc...)
- Slowest
- Highest
- Lowest
- Pairing two regular/goofy rider while the second rider is riding switch
- Pairing a Goofy with a Regular rider
- Flatland 360° as a Team while holding hands
- Pivot Slips with separation as a team while holding hands
- Slope tricks competition
- HangMan / Loser competition copycat style

## Warm Up

List of warm up exercises

Is about warming up before riding or while riding including games and stories.

- Dynamic stretching before snowboarding
- simply not holding your stretch for 15-30 seconds but constantly moving
- Mirror your Instructor or Partner
- Surf Camp
  - a story to warm up

waking up in a bungalow by the beach turning off the alarm clock

yawning and stretching of the body

looking out the window and looking for the surfboard (snowboard) walking to the beach and start to paddle out and trying to catch a wave and standing on the board

- Balance Game

in pairs and snowboard stance, front foot to front foot

then trying to push each other over

Winner is the person who didn't move the leg

- Boardercross Race

just on the flat and not moving either with or without the board strapped on

3, 2, 1, go

rollers are an ollie, jump a two footed hopp,

toe side turn balancing on the ball of your foot, heelside turn balancing on the heels, tuck, etc...

- Hipp Hopp

standing in a circle facing towards the group while holding the snowboard the command hipp means everyone moves to the left but leaving the board in place, hopp means the same to the right, hipp hipp means twice to the left

- Team Bench

making a circle with 5 or more people with either all left/right hands pointing to the middle, once the circle is really small try to sit on each others lap

- Relay Race
- Game of Tag
- Passing a Ball / Beanie / Scarf
- Show me a move / a trick / a stretch

## Warm Up while Riding

Only use exercises you feel comfortable with for warm up and slowly ease yourself in

- Hopping while riding (if your comfortable then try hopping throughout the turn)
- Shuffling while riding (if your comfortable then try shuffling throughout the turn)
- small vs. TALL
- Upper Body rotation
- Counter rotation
- Front Knee steering
- Scissor Slips
- Pivot Slips
- Loose Bindings
- Range of Movements
- Feel the snow and get used to today's snow and weather conditions



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Snowboarding is more than just a sport to me, it is my life, my job and hobby. I am a full cert snowboard and ski instructor with SBINZ and Swiss Snowsports. My goal with this tool is to help me out when I run out of Ideas and hopefully yourself.

## Help me to add more exercises

If you have some other exercises in your bag of tricks then please let me know on <u>snowboardtrainerapp@gmail.com</u>

Thanks

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