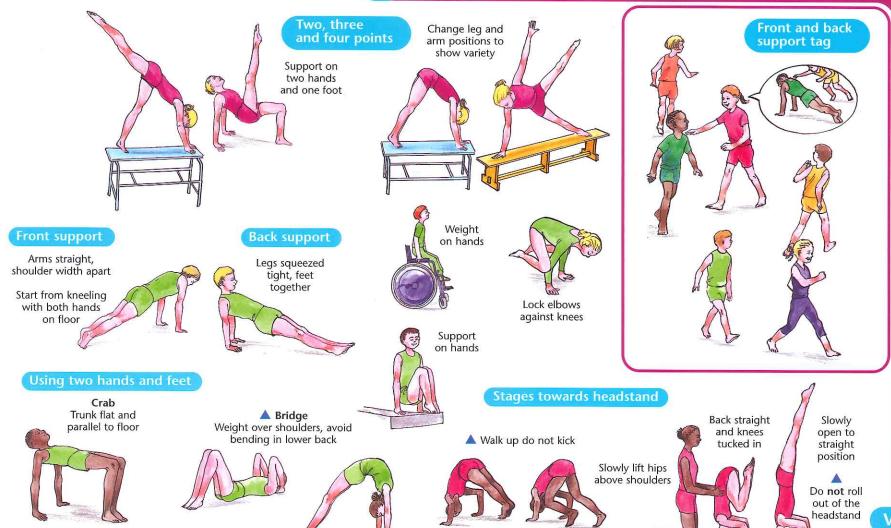
SOP Gymnastics[®]

Hold and control . . .

Balance on hands, feet and head



Front and back support tag

- Three or four children are selected to tag other members of the class.
- When they get caught they must take up a position in front or back support.
- They are released when another 'free' player touches them.
- First play as a walking game and then introduce other ways of travelling.

Think INC.

Allow children to make shapes in different positions, challenging them to get as close as possible to the activities shown on the card.

Vocabulary

Front support, back support, push up, tension, squeeze, perpendicular, triangular, stable, bridge,

headstand, half lever



Safety: Ensure the children: ▲ do not kick up into headstand or roll forward out of it ▲ avoid overarching in lower back when performing bridge (do not expect everyone to achieve this position) ▲ do not put weight on forehead in headstand, place top of head on floor and only hold the position briefly • have sufficient space for their work and are aware of others when completing tasks • show competence on floor before trying skills on apparatus.