## **Core Training 3**

## **The Crunch**

Exercise	Teaching Points	Reps x Sets
Straight Leg Crunch	<ul> <li>Lie down with your back flat on the floor and legs raised up straight in the air</li> <li>Hold your arms out straight above your chest, finger tips pointing up</li> <li>Keep your arms straight throughout the movement</li> <li>Lift you shoulders and back up off the floor and reach your fingers to your toes</li> <li>Lower your back and shoulders back down to the floor and keep your arms straight</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A) 12 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> <li>B) 15 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> <li>C) 18 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> </ul>
Leg Raised Crunch (bent knees)	<ul> <li>Lie on your back with your legs up but keep them bent with your knees at 90 degrees over your hips, feet out in front</li> <li>Place your hands by your temples with your elbow out</li> <li>Lift your shoulders and back up off the floor and raise your chest up, pause and then lower yourself down to the floor</li> <li>Hold your legs in place throughout the movement</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A) 12 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> <li>B) 15 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> <li>C) 18 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest</li> </ul>
Reverse Crunch	<ul> <li>Lie on the floor with your back and legs flat on the floor</li> <li>Place your arms across your chest</li> <li>Raise your legs straight until your feet are pointing straight up and then lift your hips up to raise your feet higher up</li> <li>Focus on lifting your feet up higher rather than backwards over your head</li> <li>Lower your hips down and then control your legs down to the floor</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>A) 10 x 3 w/ 30 seconds</li> <li>B) 12 x 3 w/ 30 seconds</li> <li>C) 15 x 3 w/ 30 seconds</li> </ul>

Bicycle Crunch	Lie on the floor with your back flat and your knees up at 90 degrees	A) 20 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest
	<ul> <li>Place you hands by your temples and lift your shoulders and upper back up off the floor</li> </ul>	B) 30 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest
	<ul> <li>Twist and take your right elbow across your body and bring your left knee in and across to meet your right elbow as you straighten your right leg</li> <li>Lower back down, take your left leg back out and bring your right knee back in</li> <li>Repeat on the other side</li> </ul>	C) 40 x 3 w/ 30 seconds rest