

Cycling Fitness and Fun on Two Wheels

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1. What is a primary cardiorespiratory benefit of regular cycling?

- ☐ A. Strengthens the heart and lungs
 - ☐ B. Decreases overall lung capacity
 - ☐ C. Slows down blood circulation
 - ☐ D. Increases resting blood pressure permanently
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2. Cycling for fun is classified as a low-impact aerobic exercise suitable for various fitness levels.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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3. Which lower-body muscles are primarily engaged during the push of the pedals?

- ☐ A. Hamstrings, quadriceps, calves, and glutes
 - ☐ B. Forearm flexors and upper back
 - ☐ C. Abdominals and chest muscles exclusively
 - ☐ D. Biceps and triceps
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4. Intervention studies show that regular commuter cycling can increase

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☐ A. True

☐ B. False

5. How does consistent cycling affect body composition?

☐ A. It strictly increases upper body mass without affecting fat levels.

☐ B. It increases body fat percentage and reduces lean muscle mass.

☐ C. It is associated with reductions in body fat and improvements in lean mass.

☐ D. It has no measurable impact on body composition.

6. Indoor cycling alone has no effect on a person's aerobic capacity.

☐ A. True

☐ B. False

7. What role do electrically assisted bikes play in physical fitness?

☐ A. They replace the need for any lower body movement.

☐ B. They are exclusively used for professional racing competitions.

☐ C. They completely eliminate any physical exertion.

☐ D. They provide moderate-intensity physical activity to improve cardiorespiratory fitness in inactive individuals.

8. Adaptive cycling modalities such as handcycling can yield improvements in peak oxygen uptake for individuals with disabilities.

☐ A. True

☐ B. False

9. What is a major metabolic benefit of maintaining a consistent cycling

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- ☐ A. It halts glucose regulation in the bloodstream.
 - ☐ B. It prevents the body from burning stored fat.
 - ☐ C. It increases calorie burn and improves the body's basal metabolic rate.
 - ☐ D. It decreases basal metabolic rate (BMR).
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10. High-Intensity Interval Training (HIIT) cycling is less effective than moderate-intensity continuous training for VO2 peak improvement in sedentary populations.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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11. Which natural chemicals are released during aerobic activities like cycling to promote feelings of happiness?

- ☐ A. Adrenaline
 - ☐ B. Insulin
 - ☐ C. Endorphins
 - ☐ D. Cortisol
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12. Physical activity such as bicycling helps lower cortisol levels, the hormone responsible for stress.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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13. How do group rides contribute to the social and practical skills of

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- ☐ A. They isolate riders and discourage communication.
 - ☐ B. They improve skills like drafting, signaling hazards, and fostering community bonds.
 - ☐ C. They prevent beginners from learning basic bike handling.
 - ☐ D. They eliminate the need to follow road rules or safety etiquette.
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14. The Tahoe Rim Trail is a continuous loop trail that remains entirely within a single state boundary.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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15. What feature characterizes the descent portion of the mountain bike route near Stanley, Idaho?

- ☐ A. A flowy singletrack descent with bermed turns and natural rollers
 - ☐ B. A flat concrete sidewalk through a city center
 - ☐ C. A steep paved highway with heavy traffic
 - ☐ D. A rocky stair climb with no downhill sections
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16. Family cycling trips can incorporate activities like an Animal Scavenger Hunt to combine outdoor exercise with educational moments.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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17. What is the highest point of elevation along the Tahoe Rim Trail?

- ☐ A. Relay Peak
 - ☐ B. The Sawtooth Range
 - ☐ C. Fisher Creek Loop
 - ☐ D. Lake Tahoe shore
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18. Biking errands, such as visiting local shops by bike, can turn

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☐ A. True

☐ B. False

19. Which mountain ranges provide panoramic views during the backcountry ride near Stanley, Idaho?

☐ A. The Sawtooth and White Cloud mountain ranges

☐ B. The Cascade Range and the Coast Mountains

☐ C. The Rocky Mountains and the Sierra Nevada

☐ D. The Appalachian and Blue Ridge mountains

20. Regular bike riding has no significant impact on reducing symptoms of anxiety or improving mental clarity.

☐ A. True

☐ B. False

21. What is the primary objective of the base phase in a periodized cycling training program?

☐ A. Focusing solely on high-intensity interval training without recovery

☐ B. Eliminating all physical activity to allow complete muscle atrophy

☐ C. Emphasizing race-specific sprints and reducing overall volume

☐ D. Developing aerobic endurance through steady rides and foundational strength training

22. High-Intensity Interval Training (HIT) alternates between periods of high-intensity effort and structured recovery.

☐ A. True

☐ B. False

23. Why is a properly fitting helmet considered essential equipment for

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- ☐ A. It completely prevents bicycle mechanical failures.
 - ☐ B. It lowers the risk of head injuries during accidents.
 - ☐ C. It increases aerodynamic speed on paved flat roads.
 - ☐ D. It replaces the need for checking tire pressure.
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24. Cross-training elements like strength training exercises (e.g., squats and lunges) help improve pedaling power and prevent injuries.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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25. Which type of bicycle is best suited for speed and paved surfaces?

- ☐ A. Backcountry cargo bike
 - ☐ B. Heavy commuter utility bike
 - ☐ C. Road bike
 - ☐ D. Mountain bike
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26. Scheduling recovery weeks every three to five weeks is unnecessary for athletes following a structured training plan.

- ☐ A. True
 - ☐ B. False
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27. What is the primary purpose of checking tire pressure and brakes before riding a bicycle?

- ☐ A. To prevent mechanical issues mid-route and ensure safety
 - ☐ B. To decrease the weight of the bicycle wheels
 - ☐ C. To increase the aesthetic value of the bike frame
 - ☐ D. To adjust the rider's personal gear clothing requirements
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28. Bright clothing and reflective gear help other road users spot cyclists.

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☐ A. True

☐ B. False

29. What is a key benefit of incorporating flexibility and mobility sessions like yoga into a cycling routine?

☐ A. It artificially lowers core body temperature during sprints.

☐ B. It entirely replaces the need for cardiovascular endurance rides.

☐ C. It maintains joint health and improves range of motion in areas like the hips and lower back.

☐ D. It increases the physical weight of the bicycle frame.

30. Recovery elements such as adequate sleep, proper nutrition, and hydration play a critical role in a successful training program.

☐ A. True

☐ B. False



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