Workplace Stretches for Employees

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1. **SIDE OF THE NECK STRETCH**
   - Reps: 2
   - Slowly turn head from side to side and pause.

2. **SHOULDER SHRUGS**
   - Reps: 3
   - Lift shoulders up and down.

3. **OVERHEAD SHOULDER STRETCH**
   - Reps: 2
   - Seconds: 20
   - Push arms over head, grab hands and lock elbows.

4. **SIDE DELTOID STRETCH**
   - Reps: 1
   - Seconds: 20
   - Reach arm across body lightly using the other arm to stretch.

5. **ARM CIRCLES**
   - Reps: 10 (each position)
   - Stand with arms out to the side, and move them in tight circles. Then, continue with arms in front, then above. Reverse the circles on the side, back and front.

6. **HAMSTRING STRETCH**
   - Reps: 2
   - Seconds: 20
   - Place right foot in front with toes pointed up. Slightly bend left leg and try to touch your toes. Don’t bounce and keep hips straight.

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7. **TORSO STRETCH**
   - **Reps:** 1
   - **Seconds:** 20
   - Raise right arm up and place left arm behind head. Bend knees and lean to the left.

8. **CORE STRETCH**
   - **Reps:** 1
   - **Seconds:** 20
   - Place hands on lumbar lower back, trying to touch elbows. Slowly look up, stretching lower back.

9. **HANGING LOW BACK STRETCH**
   - **Reps:** 1
   - **Seconds:** 20
   - Starting with hands on upper thighs, slide hands slowly to floor.

10. **FRONT THORACIC STRETCH**
    - **Reps:** 2
    - **Seconds:** 20
    - Clasp hands, bend knees and push hands forward.

11. **QUAD STRETCH**
    - **Reps:** 1
    - **Seconds:** 20
    - Lift right leg and keep standing leg slightly bent. Push right foot into hand and shift hips forward.

12. **CALF STRETCH**
    - **Reps:** 1
    - **Seconds:** 10-15
    - Place right leg back with heel on the ground. Bend left knee. Lean slightly forward.

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