

New Hampshire Tai Chi Chuan Center

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Lesson plans for teaching the Yang Family 13 Movement Hand Form

Lesson plan for an 8-week, one-hour one class a week introduction program:

• Week 1: Registration and introduction information. Start warm-up exercises (with explanations)

Demonstration of 13 Movement Hand Form

Tai Chi Walk – proper footwork and foundation established

Introduce Preparation Form, 1 (Beginning)

- Week 2: Warm-ups and practice Preparation Form, 1 (Beginning) Introduce 2 (Cloud Hands), 3 (Single Whip)
 - Week 3: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 1-3

Week 4: Warm-ups and practice form

Introduce 4 (Fist Under Elbow) & 5 (White Crane Spreads Its Wings)

Week 5: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 4 & 5 and introduce 6 (Left Brush Knee and Push)

Week 6: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 6 and introduce 7 (Hand Strums the Lute)

Week 7: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 7, and introduce 8 (High Pat Horse with Palm Thrust)

Week 8: Warm-ups and practice form

Review Preparation Form through 8

The introduction class has a primary goal of instructing the students in the first 8 movements of the 13 Movement Hand Form. At the end, the students will have learned a foundation to a simplified form. Options for continuation in their studies of Yang Family Tai Chi are presented at the end of each session.

Lesson plan for an 8-week, one-hour one class a week continuation program:

• Week 1: Registration and introduction information

Warm-ups and practice form

Review 1 through 8 and introduce 9 (Turn Body and Flip Fist Past Body)

Week 2: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 9

Week 3: Warm-ups and practice form

Introduce 10 (Step Forward, Parry, Block and Punch)

Week 4: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 10

Week 5: Warm-ups and practice form

Introduce 11 (Step Forward and Grasp the Bird's Tail)

• Week 6: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 11

Week 7: Warm-ups and practice form

Review 11 and introduce 12 (Cross hands) & 13 (Closing)

Week 8: Warm-ups and practice form

Finish and review form.

The continuation class has a primary goal of instructing the students in the remainder of the 13 Movement Hand Form. At the end, the students will have learned a simplified form. This gives them a sense of accomplishment. Options for continuation in their studies of Yang Family Tai Chi are presented at the end of each session.