Foot Exercises for Better Balance & Support

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1. Ankle Circles

Sit on a carpeted floor with your legs long in front of you. Rest your back on a wall. Circle both feet outwards and then inwards slowly. *Do 20 repetitions on each direction.*

• Variation (Photo Below): Sit in a chair with bare feet. Hold feet slightly off the ground and slowly circle your ankles to the right and then to the left.



2. Towel Curls

Stand upright. Place a towel under bare foot. Slowly bunch up towel as you curl toes. *Do 2 sets of 10 repetitions.*





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3. Windshield Wipers

Sit comfortably with both feet flat on floor. Drag toes in and out keeping heels in place. Do 2 sets of 20 repetitions.



4. Seated Heel and Toe Raises

Sit with foot flat on floor. Raise the heel keeping the ball of foot in place. Then raise the toes keeping heel on floor. Do 2 sets of 10 repetitions.



5. Pronation-Supination

Stand or sit. Pick arches up and out then roll arches down. Try not to move your knees. *Do 2 sets of 10 repetitions.*

