



Develop Mental Resilience

Everything you need to kick-start your mental resilience journey while improving your health at the same time.

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Hello there!

I'm really glad you're here.
My name is Aaron Lamb, founder of LAMBS Fitness, and I created this guide to help people build stronger bodies, stronger minds, and healthier lifestyles.

At LAMBS Fitness, we believe training should be simple, effective, and sustainable. Too many people struggle with their health because of confusing advice, busy schedules, or not knowing where to begin.

This guide is designed to change that.

Inside, you'll learn practical strategies to help improve your mental resilience, physical fitness, and daily habits, so you can feel stronger, more confident, and more in control of your wellbeing.

With over 6 years of coaching experience, my goal has always been to help people make lasting changes that support both their physical and mental health.

I hope this guide gives you a strong starting point on that journey.

Stronger. Together.

Welcome to developing your mental resilience



Primary Goal:

- Build Confidence Through Consistency
- Learn to Stay Calm Under Pressure
- Develop Strength That Lasts a Lifetime

Mental resilience isn't something that develops overnight. It takes time, patience, and the willingness to face challenges. In today's world, many people rarely get the opportunity to test themselves mentally. This pack is designed to push you slightly beyond your comfort zone, helping you build the foundations needed to start developing true mental resilience.

Why focus on mental resilience?

Mental resilience is the foundation of learning to control your own mind. It allows you to rewrite the narrative around challenges and stay focused on the goals that matter most to you.

By developing this skill, you build the ability to overcome obstacles and keep moving forward, no matter how difficult things become. Life will always throw challenges your way, but resilience gives you the confidence and control to handle them.

Phase 1

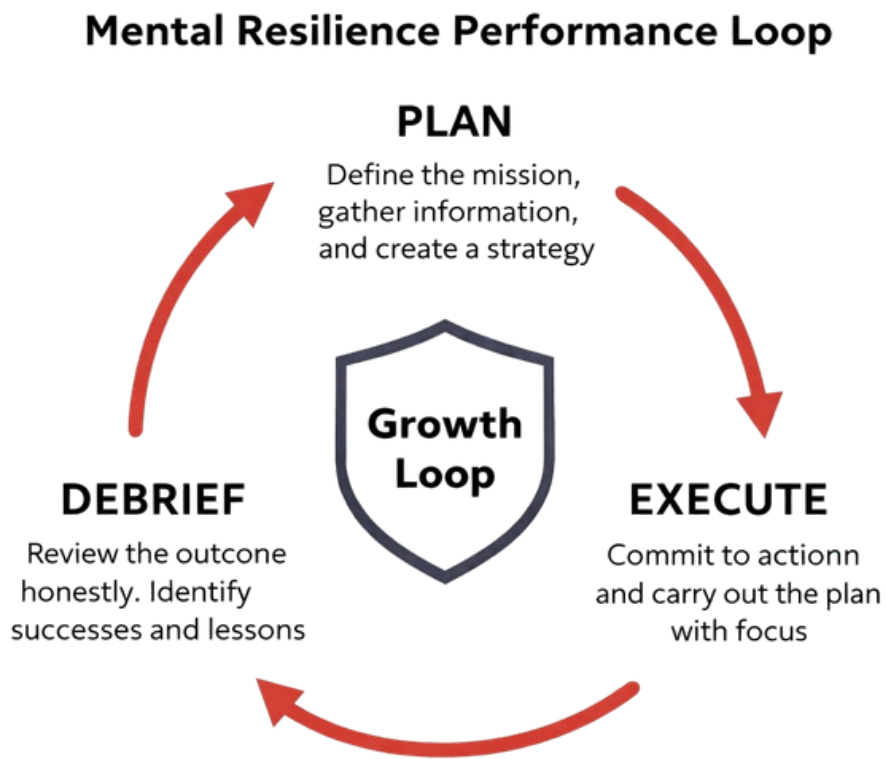
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Phase 1

The Growth Loop:

Great growth is always achieved through the same process, plan, execute, debrief. If you want to create meaningful lifestyle changes you'll follow this process either consciously or subconsciously.



Plan:

Failure to plan and you don't know where you are aiming. You will feel lost. Shooting with a blindfold on with no true direction.

Execute:

You have your plan. Now it's time to bring it to life. Execution is about taking action, staying consistent, and committing to the work required to move your goals forward.

Debrief:

The final step is to review the previous cycle of planning and execution. This allows you to properly understand where you've been, where you are now, and what could be done differently next time to improve your results.

Phase 2

Developing Identity & Purpose

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Identity & Purpose

Why it matters?

Resilient people understand why they do what they do.

When life becomes stressful or motivation drops, purpose gives you direction. Your “why” becomes the anchor that keeps you moving forward during difficult moments.

Step 1: Finding your why?

Ask Yourself:

- Why do I want to be healthy?
- Who benefits when I look after myself?
- What does my life look like in 10 years?
- What happens if I ignore my health today?

Step 2: Write Your “Why”

Turn your answers into a single clear sentence that reminds you why your goals matter.

Example:

"I train so I can be present for my family, stay mentally strong, and set a positive example for my children."

Step 3: When Motivation Drops (Action)

Use Your Why

When things feel difficult, pause and ask yourself:

“Why did I start?”

Reconnect with your purpose and keep moving forward.

Key Reminder

**Your goals may change over time.
But your purpose is what keeps you consistent.**

Phase 3

Stress Regulation

Stress is a natural part of life, but learning how to regulate it is a key part of building mental resilience.

Stress Regulation

When pressure starts to rise, your body and mind react automatically. Learning how to slow things down, control your breathing, and bring yourself back into a calm state helps you stay clear-headed and focused when challenges show up.

In this section you will learn a few simple tools that can help calm your nervous system, manage stress more effectively, and keep control of your mindset when things start to feel overwhelming.

Small habits like breathing properly, getting good quality sleep, moving your body, and taking time to recover can make a huge difference in how you handle stress day to day.

Learning how to regulate stress does not remove the challenges from life. What it does is give you the ability to deal with them in a calmer and more controlled way.

Box Breathing

A simple method used by military and special forces units around the world to quickly calm the nervous system.

When stress levels rise, your breathing usually becomes faster and more shallow. This signals your body to stay in a heightened state of alert.

Box breathing helps reset that response by slowing the breath and bringing your nervous system back into a calmer, more controlled state.

It is simple, effective, and can be used anywhere.

Stress Regulation

Box Breathing

Step by Step

Step 1 – Inhale

Breathe in slowly through your nose for 4 seconds.

Step 2 – Hold

Hold that breath for 4 seconds.

Step 3 – Exhale

Slowly breathe out through your mouth for 4 seconds.

Step 4 – Hold

Hold again for 4 seconds before starting the next breath.

Repeat the Cycle

Continue this breathing pattern for 2 to 3 minutes.

Focus on keeping your breathing slow, controlled, and steady.

Within a short period of time, you should notice your heart rate slowing and your mind becoming clearer.

Key Reminder

Your breath is one of the quickest ways to influence how your body responds to stress.

Learning to control it means learning to control your state of mind.

Phase 4

Controlling the story in your mind

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Mental Reframing

Mental reframing is the ability to change how you interpret a situation. Instead of automatically seeing something as failure or stress, you learn to see it as information, feedback, or an opportunity to grow.

When you learn how to reframe situations, you give yourself the ability to stay focused, adapt to problems, and keep progressing even when things don't go to plan.

Over time, this becomes one of the most powerful tools for building long-term resilience.

Reframing in Practice

One simple way to practice reframing is by changing the language you use when you think about challenges.

Instead of reacting automatically, pause for a moment and ask yourself a different question.

The Key Idea

You cannot always control what happens around you.

But you can always control how you choose to interpret it.

The way you frame a situation will often determine whether it becomes a setback or a stepping stone.

Example Shifts

Instead of thinking:

“This is too difficult.”

Try asking:

“What can this situation teach me?”

Instead of thinking:

“I've failed.”

Try asking:

“What could I do differently next time?”

Phase 5

Your body and mind are deeply connected.

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Physical Resilience

Physical exercise is a powerful way to support mental health. Regular movement helps reduce stress, improve mood, and build resilience for both body and mind.

Training improves:

- dopamine
- serotonin
- stress tolerance
- emotional regulation

This is why exercise is one of the most powerful mental health tools.

Training Plan Overview

Below is a simple training plan designed to give you a starting point for improving your health and fitness.

The plan includes a mixture of simple and more complex movement patterns. Some exercises can be done using gym equipment, while others can easily be performed at home, allowing you to adapt the training to the space and resources you have available.

The aim is to introduce a variety of training styles that help improve both physical fitness and mental wellbeing. Regular movement can have a powerful effect on mood, stress levels, and overall confidence.

One of the most important things to remember is that training should be enjoyable. If something isn't fun, it becomes difficult to stay consistent.

If you don't follow the plan perfectly, don't worry. Adjusting and experimenting with your training is all part of learning what works best for your body.

Phase 5

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK 1 TYPE	Weight Training Day 1	Weight Training Day 2	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 1	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 2	Rest Day (Foam rolling/mobility as needed)
TIME & DURATION	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes
WEEK 2 TYPE	Weight Training Day 1	Weight Training Day 2	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 1	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 2	Rest Day (Foam rolling/mobility as needed)
TIME & DURATION	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes
WEEK 3 TYPE	Weight Training Day 1	Weight Training Day 2	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 1	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 2	Rest Day (Foam rolling/mobility as needed)
TIME & DURATION	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes
WEEK 4 TYPE	Weight Training Day 1	Weight Training Day 2	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 1	Low intensity exercise e.g., walking/cycling	Weight Training Day 2	Rest Day (Foam rolling/mobility as needed)
TIME & DURATION	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 30 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes	Anytime 60 minutes

Training Program

Here's crucial information to help you achieve optimal results by following this plan.

Circuits

Do each exercise in order. Example: Do A1 first, then A2, then A3, and take a break. Repeat this for the number of sets you need before moving on to B1, B2, and B3. If the gym is crowded and you can't do them in order, just do one exercise at a time for the number of sets you want, then move on to the next one.

Tempo

This is how fast you should perform the exercise. Example: Squats with a tempo of 3201 – Take 3 seconds to lower, pause for 2 seconds at the bottom, explode up with no pause, and pause for 1 second at the top; Chest press with a tempo of 3010 – Take 3 seconds to lift, no pause at the top, lower in 1 second, and no pause at the bottom.

Progression

Make progress each week to keep challenging your body. For instance, decrease the rest time between each circuit by 10 seconds weekly (set a timer if needed). Also, add more sets during the last two weeks of the program.

If you need help with technique or are still stuck on the exercises, reach out to us directly for support.

Progression Model

	Rest Between Circuits	Number of Sets (every exercise)
WEEK 1	See Plan	3
WEEK 2	-10 sec	3
WEEK 3	-10 sec	4
WEEK 4	-10 sec	4

Day 1

CIRCUIT	EXERCISE	REPS	TEMPO	TIME
A1	Dumbbell Split Squat	8 to 10	4010	0s
A2	Flat Dumbbell Chest Press	10 to 12	3010	0s
A3	Rowing Machine Sprint	45s	n/a	90s
B1	Leg Curl	15 to 20	3010	0s
B2	Lat Pulldown	12 to 15	2022	0s
B3	Sled Drag*	45s	n/a	60s
C1	Calf Raise	15 to 20	3110	0s
C2	Dumbbell Lateral Raise	12 to 15	2020	0s
C3	Burpees	45s	n/a	60s

Finish your entire circuit workout, then do the Core Workout.

*If you don't have access to prowler or sled, choose a plyometric exercise and do it for 45 secs flat out instead (also ideal for busy gyms with limited space.)

Day 2

CIRCUIT	EXERCISE	REPS	TEMPO	TIME
A1	Barbell Deadlift	8 to 10	4010	0s
A2	Dumbbell Shoulder Press	10 to 12	3010	0s
A3	Sled Drag*	45s	n/a	90s
B1	Dumbbell Squat	15 to 20	2022	0s
B2	Seated Cable Row	12 to 15	2022	0s
B3	Burpees	45s	n/a	60s
C1	Triceps Pushdown	15 to 20	3110	0s
C2	Ab Crunch	20 to 25	2020	0s
C3	Rowing Machine	45s	n/a	60s

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Core Workout

Repeat the circuit 3-4 times to complete your workout.

A1. Mini Crunch:

- Lie on your back, bend your knees, and place your feet flat on the floor. Lift your head and shoulders slightly off the ground, reaching your hands towards your feet. Hold this position for 5-10 seconds, focusing on engaging your abdominal muscles. Slowly lower back down to the starting position and repeat 10 times.

B1. Side Crunches:

- Lie on your back with your knees bent and feet flat on the floor. Lower both knees to one side until they touch the ground while keeping your upper body still. Place your fingertips lightly behind your ears for support. Contract your side muscles to lift your shoulders towards your hips, then lower back down. Repeat this movement 15 times on each side, alternating sides.

C1. Big Kicks:

- Lie on your back with your arms at your sides and palms facing down. Lift your legs off the floor, keeping them straight. Quickly pulse your legs up and down while maintaining engagement in your core muscles. Aim to perform between 10-20 kicks, focusing on controlled movements.

D1. Drop Leg:

- Lie on your back with your legs straight up towards the ceiling. Press your lower back gently into the floor to engage your core muscles. Slowly lower both legs towards the ground, keeping them straight and controlled. Count to 10 as you lower your legs, then lift them back up to the starting position.

E1. Side Crunches (Repeat):

- Follow the instructions from B1, remembering to switch sides after completing 15 repetitions on each side.

F1. Plank:

- Assume a plank position by supporting your body on your forearms and toes, with your elbows directly beneath your shoulders. Keep your body in a straight line from your head to your heels, engaging your core muscles throughout. Hold this position for 60 seconds, focusing on maintaining proper form and breathing rhythmically.

Phase 6

We are the community we build.

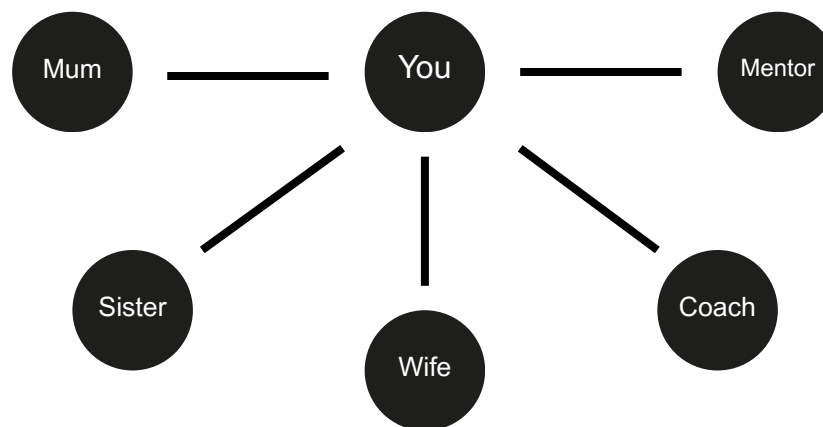
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Social Resilience

Humans are not designed to go through life alone. Strong relationships and supportive communities play a huge role in maintaining both mental and emotional resilience.

When challenges arise, having people around you who support, encourage, and understand you can make a significant difference in how you respond.

Board Room Concept



The Boardroom Concept is about recognising that different people in your life can support you in different ways. Just like you wouldn't go to a mechanic to cut your hair, it's important to rely on the right person for the right kind of support.

Some people may help with emotional support, while others may offer guidance, accountability, or professional expertise. This could include mentors, coaches, partners, family members, friends, or specialists such as therapists or nutritionists.

The idea is not that each person must hold a specific role, but that you build a strong network around you. Over time, the people you surround yourself with shape your mindset, habits, and resilience.

In many ways, you become the community you build around you.

The Resilience Framework

Think of resilience like a table with five legs.

Purpose
Stress control
Mindset
Physical health
Community

If one leg weakens, the others support it.

Final Thoughts

Mental resilience is not built through one single habit. It develops through a combination of factors that support both your mind and body over time.

Throughout this pack we have explored five key pillars of resilience: purpose, stress control, mindset, physical health, and community.

Purpose gives you direction. Stress control helps you stay calm under pressure.

Mindset allows you to adapt and grow from challenges. Physical health strengthens both your body and your mental wellbeing. Community reminds us that we are not meant to face life's challenges alone.

These pillars work best when they support one another, creating a strong foundation that helps you navigate difficult moments and continue moving forward.

If you would like support applying these ideas in real life, you are welcome to join our [\[LAMBS Fitness WhatsApp community\]](#), where we share training tips, guidance, and support to help people build healthier and stronger lives together.

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