RATE OF PERCEIVED EFFORT SCALE

- **GENTLE MOTION** Moving with minimal effort.
- **2 WALK IN THE PARK** Like walking with a toddler.
- **EASY EFFORT** A light jog or brisk walk, chatting is effortless.
- **COMFORTABLE CRUISE** Feels good, could keep this up for ages.
- **5 FINDING YOUR STRIDE** Breathing picks up, but still feels in control.
- **6 CHALLENGING BUT SUSTAINABLE** You can talk, but it's getting harder.
- **7 HUFF & PUFF ZONE** Sentences get shorter, focus kicks in.
- **RACE-DAY PUSH** Hard effort, legs are working, talking is difficult.
- **9** FINAL KICK Almost maxed out, but you can hang on.
- **10** ALL-OUT SPRINT Everything you've got. You're basically flying.

Rate of Perceived Effort (RPE) helps you judge how hard a run *feels*, taking into account things like heat, fatigue, and nutrition - things that pace or heart rate don't always reflect.

When starting None to Run, aim to keep running intervals at an RPE of 5 or lower. Some runs might briefly spike to 8 or more, and that's okay! That's your cue to slow down.

If most of your run intervals during your third run of the week feel like 7 or higher, it's a good sign to repeat the week. This helps you build confidence, consistency, and endurance.

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