COUCH TO 5K For Walkers Life Proof - 12 week plan

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WEEK	Session 1	Session 2	Session 3	Coach Notes		
1	10 min walk	10 min walk	10 min walk	Well done for taking on this challenge. Everyone has to start somewhere!		
2	10 min walk	10 min brisk walk	20 min walk	Start building that habit! Find the days/times that work best for you to walk.		
3	15 min walk	15 min brisk walk	20 min walk	You got this! If motivation is low, just focus on getting out the door first.		
4	20 min walk	20 min hilly walk	30 min walk	Have some free time? Why not add in another 10min walk?		
5	20 min walk	20 min brisk walk	40 min walk	You are making great progress! Every session is a step forwards.		
6	20 min walk	20 min hilly walk	40 min walk	Half Way Through! Well done on getting this far.		
 Walking shoes and clothes: prioritise items that fit and are comfortable. You can invest in fancy stuff later. Walk with friends or listen to music or podcasts to help motivation. Consider using STRAVA to track your walks and see your progress. Remember that it is about progress NOT perfection. Stay consistent - you will get there. 						

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7	15 min walk	20 min hilly walk	45 min walk	You are over halfway. You are doing great!
8	15 min walk	20 min brisk walk	45 min walk	Brisk walks should get your heart pumping. If it feels easy pick up the pace a little.
9	15 min walk	25 min hilly walk	50 min walk	Remember to ensure you are fuelling yourself for the long walks.
10	15 min walk	15 min brisk walk	50 min walk	Look at how far you have come in 10 weeks. Be proud of yourself.
11	15 min walk	15 min hilly walk	60 min walk	You are so close to your goal! Keep going!
12	15 min walk	20 min brisk walk	60–70 min walk	In 60 mins you should have walked over 5km. Well done!

• Consider taking a rucksack with drink/snacks to keep you fuelled.

 Walking the same route alot? It may seem boring but it could help you to track your improvement over time.

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• If you are looking for a new route try OS Maps online route planner at explore.osmaps.com

• Walking posture is important. Try to focus on staying tall with shoulders relaxed.

