FITNESS HOMEWORK: **Cardiovascular Exercise**

**Types of Cardiovascular Exercise**

There are many **types of cardiovascular exercise**. Cardiovascular exercise is something that involves using the larger muscles like your legs. So as you can imagine there are many different ways to do this. They can be divided up into a number of different categories. Indoors and outdoors exercise and with or without special exercise equipment.

**Outdoor Cardiovascular Exercise**

This includes running, walking, jogging, bicycling, jump-roping, swimming and some types of skiing.

**Indoor Cardiovascular Exercise**

The indoor types of cardiovascular exercise include using treadmills, stationary bicycles, stair climbers, rowing machines, elliptical trainers and ladder climbers.

You may have noticed from the list above that for the most part the types of cardiovascular exercises you can do outside tend to be the ones that do not need any kind of special equipment. That is true for the most part. However, even when running or walking you should make sure that you wear the right kind of shoes - or you may injure your feet. Also, when bicycling you should wear a helmet. And of course, you need a jump rope to be able to go jump-roping!

For the most part though the indoor equipment is kind of expensive stuff. You may want to try some yard sales to see if you can find some of that equipment cheaper there first.

But, overall there are still many different types of cardiovascular exercise. What is best for one person may not be for another, depending upon your needs.

**Assignment – Physical – 30 min. cardiovascular workout of your choice.**

**Activity:** __________________________________________________________

**Parent Signature (Required):** ____________________

I participated with my child: Yes _____ (.5 extra credit) No_______

1) What makes an exercise a cardiovascular exercise?

2) List three indoor cardiovascular exercises.

3) List three outdoor cardiovascular exercises.