

Lesson Plan Form



Key Coaching Points

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Theme: Session 1: Ball Controll Organization (Diagram+Rules) **Objectives** Stage

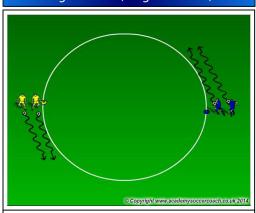
Activity 1 BIG CIRCLE DRIBBLE: Use center circle or create circle about same size. Two teams. Teams start at opposite points of the circle. On go kids dribble in the same direction trying to catch someone from other team. They can't go into the circle

Activity 2 **GRID RUN OUT** Half kids in grid & half outside. Various cones in the grid. Kids w/ball inside grid dribble around (complete circle) 1 cone & then pass ball to someone outside grid. Passer goes outside of grid and receiver dribbles ball in and goes around a cone then passes to someone outside grid.

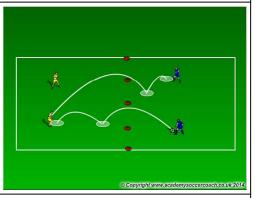
Activity 3

SOCCER TENNIS Group of 4 w/ 2 on either side of "net" (net made with cones). One team chips or punts ball into other teams court. Team can let ball bounce once and then they play it back into other teams court.

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-Quick turn	Don't panic
-Change of pace	-Knees bent helps to change
-Ball control	direction
	-Keep looking ahead
Progression:	
-Specify type of dribbling allowed	Discovery Question:
-When you say turn kids need to do	-How did you turn the other
a cutback and go opposite	direction?
direction.	-How did you feel when the other
	team was close behind you? When
	you were close behind them?

Progression:
-Need to dribble around 2 cones
-Make a move when approaching
cone.

-Space and body awareness

-Dribbling

-Moves

-Touch

Reading flight of ball

Discovery Question: -How did you choose a cone to go around

-Keep head up

-Quick first step

-Proper touch on ball

-All parts of the foot

-How did you dribbling change as you got closer to the cone

Progression:
-Server needs to throw the ball in
-If the time can play ball in the air to
their own teammate and then put
the ball over they get a point
-Make the net 2-3 yards wide.

-Communication & Teamwork

-Talk with you teammate, us words such as "I got it" -Play the ball don't let the ball play you (attack it) -Use inside of foot to pass back over

-Stay on toes

-Move to get behind the ball

Discovery Question: -What part of your body worked well to get the ball over the net? -How did you position yourself when the ball was coming over?

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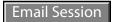
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COACHING REMINDER: Principles of defense are: 1)Pressure on the ball 2)Cover 3)Balance 4)Compactness

Use these terms in practice









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Session 2: Passing and Receiving

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Activity 1

BALL UP Each player must kick his ball into the air, receive it and change direction with a dribble.

Activity 2

GROUP OF 3 PASSING:

Large grid about 30x30.

to one another in their

ball can pass to either

3v3 KEEP AWAY

player.

Groups of 3 w/ each group

having a ball. Players pass

group of 3. After passing

they need to move to get

open. Player who receives

Activity 3

3 Players on a team in a grid

pass to one another and

keep it away from other

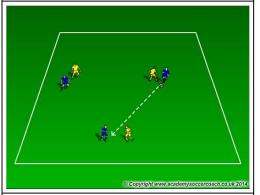
passes team gets a point

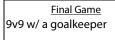
team. Every "X" amount of



Organization (Diagram+Rules)

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Objectives	Key Coaching Points
-Coordination	-Use the inside and outside of feet
-Touch	-Touch the ball just as it's hitting
-Spacial awareness	the ground
	-Direct the ball to one side or
	another
Progression:	-Look around and see where there

Place cones around and have kids is open space to direct the ball into dribble to cone (or a line) then kick in the air **Discovery Question:** -Throw in the air at the same time -What did you need to do when -On coaches count everyone

watching the ball in the air throws in the air but they must get -How did your upper body need to another persons' ball move

-Movement -Quick first step when receiving and after passing ball. -Creativity -Awareness of players -Keep moving, no standing First touch -Build triangles -Talk: Call for the ball if you are

Progression open -Limit touches -After receiving player needs to **Discovery Questions:**

-What did you need to do to find make a move -Passing player needs to touch a an open player? -What did you need to do to get line before being available to receive again. open?

-Moving to open space Passes that can be easily received Passes to where players are going not to where they are. First touch on receiving

Progression -Limit touches

-Triangles: Key to creating options -Move after pass to create option for receiving player -Try not to stop the ball dead when receiving, direct it to a space you want to go -If there is an open space pass to it

Discover Question: -What did you have to do when you were without the ball? -How did you decide when to pass

so player can run onto ball

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Principles of offence: 1)Penetration 2)Support 3)Mobility 4)Width and Length

COACHING REMINDER:









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Session 3: Possession

Stage

Activity 1 Cones in various spots inside a grid. About 1/3 of players with the ball. Players pass to any open player without hitting a cone or without hitting another ball. Passing player then looks to receive pass from an outside person with the ball

Activity 2 OUTSIDE GRID PLAYERS Make a grid with 4 players inside and 2 players outside. Inside plays 2v2 keep away. They can pass the ball to outside players who can only pass back to the same team they got the ball from.

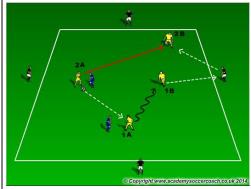
Activity 3 BALL KEEPERS VS BALL **SCORERS**

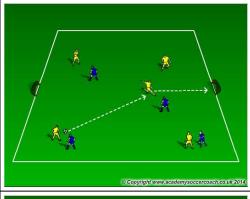
2 teams Ball keepers have 1 or 2 additional players. Inside a grid the ball keepers try and make "X" passes for a goal. Ball scorers try and score at a Pugg goal at either end of field.

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Organization (Diagram+Rules)







Objectives	icy coacining i onits
-Movement	-Keep ball moving
-Space and Player awareness	-Keep yourself moving
-Communication	-Look for open space
	-Talk and call for ball when open
Progression:	-Call name of person when passing
-Limit to 2 touch	
	Discovery Question:
	-How did you use communication
	to keep the ball from hitting a cone or another ball?
	-What did you need to think about
	when you were about to get a
	pass? Make a pass?

-Mov	vement ck in check out
-Che	ck in check out
-Dec	ision making
Prog	ression

-Every other pass must go to outside player -Outside player gets 2 touch

-Look for your options -Quick steps after passing -Pass to space so player can run onto ball -Let the ball come across your body and continue in the direction of ball

Discovery Questions: -When was it best to continue in the direction of the ball vs change its' direction? -When was it a good time to pass?

-Change direction -When you see open space to to it Find passing window -Keep spread out Timing and pace -Check in check out, movement off

Progression Limit ball keepers touches ball -Use visual and verbal cues Discovery Question: -What do supporting players do? -What happens if you are open and you don't get the ball?

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COACHING REMINDER: Principles of the game are the framework for all teaching and coaching (Principles see sessions 1 and 2).









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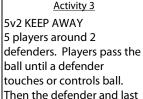
Stage

Activity 1

GATE PASSING: Set up numerous small goal with cones about 1-2 yards apart. Kids partner up and have one ball between them. They dribble around and then pass to their partner through a gate. Then dribble and pass into

another gate

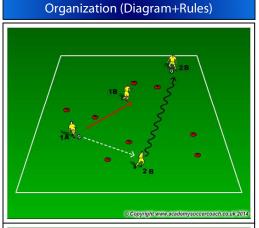
Activity 2 3v1 WITH 5 PLAYERS Play 3 v1 within a grid. When the ball is kicked out by the defender that gets the ball and the waiting player passes a ball into the 3 offensive players and then proceeds to try and win it from them.



switch.

person to touch the ball

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Objectives -Technique while moving (Just this light running will be a challenge to keep technique correct) Preparing ball for pass -Make sure your partner can receive the pass Progression:

-See how many they can get in 30 -Only inside foot, only outside, only left, etc...

-Movement Over lap and crossing runs -Turning -Use of space

Progression -Limit touches

-Using best option -Proper passing pace and location -Quick pass vs hold and pass Progression Outside players have 2 touch Outside players get a point for spitting defenders

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-Non-kicking foot is key in this activity -Keeping the ball on the ground

Key Coaching Points

makes it easier to receive -Proper pace to get through the gate

Discover Question: -What did you have to do after making a pass? After receiving a

-What were the easiest balls to control?

-Create triangles for best options. -Don't stop the ball dead, let it run -Take a dribble to open space -Check in check out

Discovery Question: -Why is it good to move away from the ball sometimes? -What can you do to help a teammate get open?

-There is always 3 options (left, right, middle) use the best option -Keep the ball in front of you -Hold the ball if there is no pressure -Keep on your toes -Keep passes on the ground and proper pace

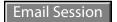
Discover Questions: -What fakes or faints worked? -When could you split the defenders? Why is this good?

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COACHING REMINDER: Have kids choose a key coaching point to work on. During the session ask them what they choose.









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Activity 1
2 PERSON HEADING
Start by having 1 kid hold
ball in hands while the
other kid steps and heads it.
After several times have the
kids underhand serve to
one another and head back



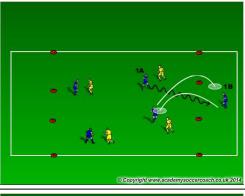
Objectives	Key Coaching Points
	-Keep eyes open and mouth shut
-Coordination	-Ball hits your head at the hair line
	-Attack the ball, drive head
Progression:	through
-Moving, have server jog backwards	-Hands out for balance
while heading kid runs forward and	
heads.	Discovery Question:
	-Did it hurt at all to head? If so
	where did the ball hit you when it

Activity 2 **3 PERSON HEADING** 1 person serves. 2nd person heads over the top of 1st player to 3rd player who receives an air ball and passes back to 2nd player



-Heading to clear -Head to clear is keeping the ball Heading to shoot high. Get underneath ball and -Technique drive with legs -Heading to shoot is trying to get the ball to hit the goal line. Get over the ball and drive it down. Progression -Instead of heading over 1st player -Use entire body to attack the ball the header tries to get the ball to hit as close to the left or right of **Discover Questions:** player 1's foot -Why do you want to keep the ball

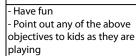
Activity 3 **END ZONE HEAD** Play 4v4 and players have to pass or dribble into the end zone. Then player picks up the ball and has 5 seconds to serve it to a teammate who has to head it back to to them for a point.



-Have player 3 stand at a right low when shooting? angle and player 2 does directional -How do your arms help you head? heading.

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-Movement

-Accuracy

-Technique

Limit comments to one or two of the above coaching points

COACHING REMINDER: Use water breaks to review tactics, technique or principles of the game

-Control the heading by

-Get feet pointed to where ball

-Was it hard to head after playing

controlling body

-Follow through

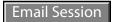
with feet? Why?

Discovery Question:

needs to go









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Activity 1

DEFENDING FOOTWORK The server will pass the soccer ball to the attacker and the defender will press the ball.

The receiver will dribble the ball and the defenders will back up keeping a good defending posture

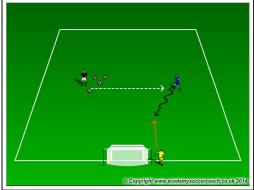
Activity 2 DEFENDING FROM SIDE As soon as server passes the soccer ball the defender will press the attacker. Score by passing or dribbling through the goal. Focus on speed and angle of approach body position etc. If defender wins the ball he/she can score

Activity 3

DEFENDING RECOVERY The server will serve to the attacker and as soon as the soccer ball is served, the defender needs to get in between the ball and the goal to cut the path of the attacker with good speed and angle of approach. If defender wins the ball he/ she can score

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Objectives -Body shape

-Foot position Foot work

Progression:

-Use cones or lines to create a lane so dribble does not go all over -First few times have defender just get used to moving backwards Try without a ball

-Dribbler go half speed

Key Coaching Points -Body shape-knees bent, on balls

of your feet, one foot slightly angled in front of other foot -Slow down as you get closer to the player -Watch the ball not the player

Discovery Question:

-Why do we keep one foot in front of the other?

-Why do we watch the ball?

Proper position -Body shape

-Timing on when to win the ball

Progression Defender goes half speed at first

-Change location of defender and/ or offense and/or server

-Body shape changes when going from sprinting (getting into dribbler's path) to defending -Don't have hips and shoulders square to dribbler

-Be patient, wait for bad touch -Small steps with your feet when backing up

Discovery Question: -Why don't we stay square to the dribbler?

-Recognize when and how to attack the ball

-Getting in front of defender -Timing

Progression

-Dribbler starts of walking or going half speed.

-Change location of defender and/ or offense and/or server

-Get your entire body in front of dribbler then turn to defend

-Must sprint hard to get in front of defender

-Slow dribbler down, don't go right at them to win the ball

Discovery Question

-What are you thinking about when trying to get in front of the

dribbler?

Have fun

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COACHING REMINDER: Keep building athletes first and soccer players second









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Activity 1 INTERCEPTOR 1

Stage

10 x15 grid 1 player on each end line & 1 in the middle of the grid in a 1 yrd zone. The 2 on end lines try to connect passes. Score a point for every pass. Interceptor tries to either intercept or deflect pass. Passers can not go into center zone. Defender can move out of center zone.

Activity 2 INTERCEPTOR 2 Same as above but with to players in each zone and 2 defenders

Activity 3

5v4+1 2 grids and 2 teams of 5 players. One grid has 5v4 and the 5 play possession while the 4 defend. Once the 4 win the ball they play to their player in their grid and all move into that grid except for 1 player of the team that lost possession.

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Organization (Diagram+Rules)







Objectives -Reading of player Pushing player to sides Defensive shape

Progression: -Time limit for passers to pass the

-Player can pass or dribble. If the

player dribbles to other zone they get a point and player in that zone has to switch over

Key Coaching Points -Get in front of ball and player -Stay on toes, feet staggered, leaning forward -Be patient and wait for bad touch

Discovery Question: -What did you have to watch in order to decide when the player would pass

or other opportunity to win ball

-Communication -Pressure and cover

-2nd defender proper position

Progression -Have kids play with hands and move at half speed.

Stagger position

Push to one side or the other -Second defender talk to first defender

Discovery Question:

-What did you say to your partner when defending? What kids of words would be helpful

-Communication

- -Transition
- Vision
- -Tactical awareness

-When you loose the ball immediate pressure on the ball -First defender pressure ball

- -Other defender close down passing lanes
- -Keep adjusting as ball and attackers move

Discovery Person:

-When did it work to double team?

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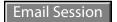
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COACHING REMINDER: Beware of "Creeping Professionalization." (Winning comes first, Think kids will play like adults, Not having fun...)









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Session 8: Shooting 1

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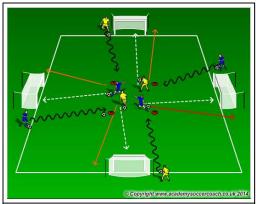
Activity 1 **CROSS SHOOTING** 2 goals about 20-25 yrds apart and 2 other goals 20-25 yrds apart so the path between the goals crosses each other. Put a grid in the middle about 10 yrds square. Players divide equally behind each goal. Dribble at goal across from them and then shoot when they get into the center grid.

Activity 2 CHECK IN CHECK OUT Use same set up as above. Players check into center grid and then check out toward goal they came from. Server passes ball and they one touch into goal

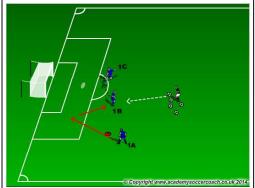
Activity 3

3v3+1 in the middle 2 goals in a grid about 40 x40. In the center there is a 4x40 yrd grid going across the field. Play 3v3 with 1 player in middle grid. This player is aways offence and can't get the ball stolen from them they also must stay in center grid.

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Organization (Diagram+Rules)







Key Coaching Points Objectives -Shooting moving ball -Shoot for accuracy before power

-Shots on goal -Keep the ball moving -Technique Find shooting window -Shooting in traffic -Shoot even if your not in perfect spot.

Progression:

-Have a player play between legs of the shooter who runs on to receive it and then dribbles into grid. -Have player toss ball up and then control and dribble into grid

Discovery Question: -How did you get a good shot off in the grid with all the traffic? -What did you need to do to shoot for accuracy?

-Vision -Quick steps -Technique

Progression: -Have servers serve ball underhand so it bounces

-Players check into grid but then check out to goal to the right or left -Have kids do a faint in the grid

-Keep your eyes up -Go into grid and change speed coming out of grid -Keep body over the ball, keep ball low, and follow shot -Get foot off the ground and hit ball and center or just above

Discovery Question -How did you keep the ball low? -When did you use the inside of your foot verses the laces?

-Drop pass -Use of supporting players -Finding shooting window -Quick shots

Progression -Change to 2v2 or 4v4 to increase shots or create different scenarios.

-Use check in check out -Shoot when there is a little window -Shoot on first or second touch -Communicate when you are open

Discovery Question: -When/How did you use the person in the middle? -What did you have to do after passing to middle person?

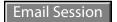
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COACHING REMINDER: Encourage kids to take risky shots and make risky moves









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Session 9: Shooting 2

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Activity 1 CHECK IN CHECK OUT FROM VARIOUS SPOTS Have several areas set up around the penalty area. Player runs about 10 yards away (check out) then checks back in toward ball. They receive a pass and shoot.

Activity 2 FLYING CHANGES 2 goals about 30 yards apart. Team divided & behind each goal. 2 players from one goal start with ball and come out. 2 players from other goal defend. Once shot is taken or ball is out of play the 2 defenders immediately attack and 2 new players come in to defend

Activity 3

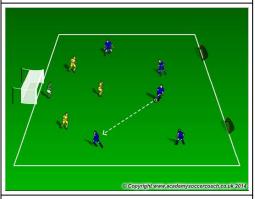
BIG GOAL AND FLANK GOALS

Use about half the field with 1 big goal and 2 small goals near the flanks at midfield. Play 5v3 plus a keeper. 5 Try and score on big goal and 3 try to score on flank goals.

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-Movement -Turing and shooting -Communication Progression

-Server can serve air balls -Add a defender who plays 50%

Objectives

Key Coaching Points -Call for the ball when receiving -Shield the ball and make quick turns to the left or right to shoot -Sometime let the ball keep rolling and one touch shoot it -Keep shots on goal

Discovery Question: -When did you let the ball roll and when did you touch it before shooting? What is the advantage and disadvantage of each?

-Quick shots -Shot choice

-Movement to get open to shoot

Progression -Can play 3 offence and 2 defender -First option is look for shot Penetrate and keep moving forward if possible -Movement off the ball: cross over,

overlap, give and go Discover Question:

-What did you do when you were offence but without the ball

-Communication -Use of space -Tactical decision making -Shot accuracy

Progression:

-Change to 5v4 or 4v3 -Limit touches

-Offense stay wide -Remember triangles -Look for threw balls -Offense immediate pressure if you loose the ball -Every one follow shot

Discovery Question: -What did you do to get open? -How did your shots change depending upon situation?

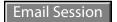
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COACHING REMINDER: Using phrases like: "You're not the kind of person who would..." can help kids be self motivated while you are directing and encouraging









2v1

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Stage

Activity 1

Divide into groups of 3 and have kids make a goal a yard or so wide. Kids play 2v1. After about 1-2 min have the kids switch defenders. Continue switching ever minute or so

Activity 2 BALL KEEPERS VS BALL **SCORERS**

2 teams Ball keepers have 1 or 2 additional players. Inside a grid the ball keepers try and make "X" amount of passes for a goal. Ball scorers try and score at goals at either end of field (make a goal about 4-6 vards wide)

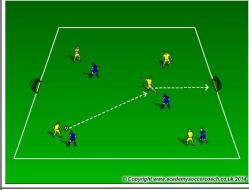
Activity 3

FLYING CHANGES 2 goals about 30 yards apart. Team divided & behind each goal. 2 players from one goal start with ball and come out. 2 players from other goal defend. Once shot is taken or ball is out of play the 2 defenders immediately attack and 2 new players come in to defend

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Organization (Diagram+Rules)







-Teamwork

-Decision making -Shot vs. pass choice

Progression:

-Can only make 3 passes before there must be a shot

Objectives

Key Coaching Points -When the goal is open have a shot -Try and beat the defender once in

awhile -Second offensive person needs to

keep moving to get open -After a pass make an immediate

Discovery Question:

-What did you do to keep your shots on goal?

-Shot choice

- -Turing and shooting
- -Technique
- -Use of space
- -Decision making

-When turning to shoot either let the ball roll and one touch or give it a slight re-direct to one side or

another

- -Don't wait for perfect shot -Head down, body over ball, lock
- ankle
- -Movement off the ball
- -Use wide players to create shooting chances Discovery Question:
- -When did you pass? shoot?
- dribble?

Quick shots

- Shot choice
- -Movement to get open to shoot

Progression

-Can play 3 offence and 2 defender

-First option is look for shot -Penetrate and keep moving forward if possible

-Movement off the ball: cross over, overlap, give and go

Discover Question:

-What did you do when you were offence but without the ball

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COACHING REMINDER:

Sometimes stopping when kids do it right is more effective than stopping when it's done wrong.





