



ASA Lesson Plans (5th & 6th Grade - U11 & U12 Age Groups) - Topic: 1vs.1 - 2vs.2 Offense & Defense

Category: Technical: Attacking and Defending Skills
Difficulty: Beginner

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Description

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1 vs. 1 - 2 vs. 2 Offense Technique

Movement with the ball

-1 vs. 1 Offense, dribbling, Turning, shielding, shooting and/or Passing Technique

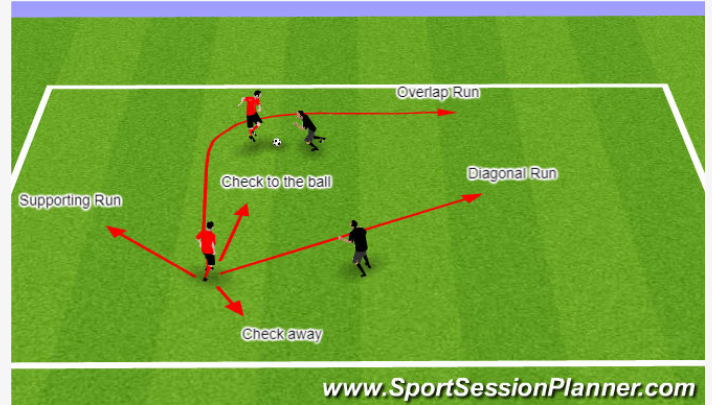
- Wall pass

Movement without the ball

- Check to the ball, or check away from the ball

Runs off the ball

- Support run, Diagonal run or Overlap runs



1 vs. 1 - 2 vs. 2 Defense Technique

From 1 vs. 1 to 2 vs. 2 Defense Technique:

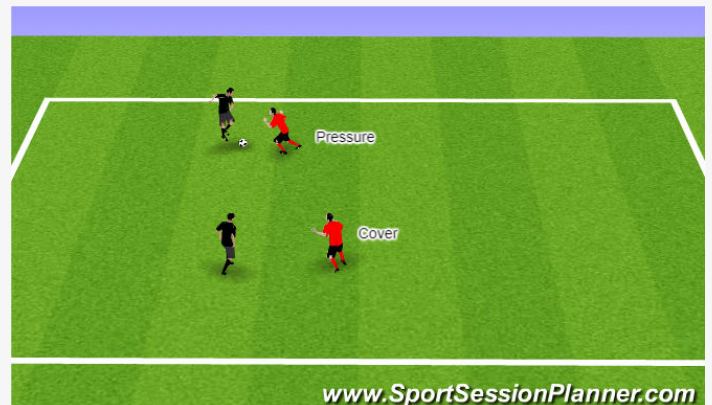
1 vs. 1 (Pressure):

Follow the directions of the opponent. Try to get in front of the opponent by putting your body between the goal and the opponent. When you stay in front of the opponent, look in the direction of the ball instead of the opponent's body. When you are in front of the opponent, stay sideways so you give the opponent one side. Give the opponent the weak side (Foot and/or Space). Keep in balance by keeping both feet apart. Bend your knees and shoulders (Balance). Keep your distance from the opponent (not too far or too close). Stay at least one step away from the opponent. Do not dive into the ball right away if you have time. Wait for the opponent to make a mistake to try and steal the ball.

Use your body (shielding) to try to steal the ball.

2 vs. 2 (Cover):

The second player should be able to see the ball and the opponent that he/she is defending. The second defender's job is to back up the first defender that is pressuring the player with the ball. Cover the space behind the pressuring defender. Adjust your distance based on the speed of the attack, and the skill and speed of the attacker. Communicate with the pressuring defender, let him or her know that you are there, tell them which way to push the attack, if necessary.



Warm-up: Small side games (10 mins)

Number of players required: Full U11 or U12 Team

Equipment: many soccer balls 2 - 4 pug goals. If the coach does not have pug goals he/she can use cones as goals.

Grid requirement: Create 2 grids of 20 X 20 yards marked with cones.

Organization: All players are required to play within the grid.

How the game is played: From 2 to 4 teams will be formed like regular scrimmage to play "small side games".

Variations/Progression:

- Competition between the teams

- Implement the topic of the session in the small side games



1 vs. 1 (15 mins)

Number of players required: Full U11 or U12 team

Equipment: Pug goals, cones or flags to create the small goals.
OR Few cones to create the line (zone), divide the field and create the lines. Few balls per grid.

Grid requirement: Create 3 - 4 (15 x 15 grid). Players are required to play inside the grid.

Organization: Have equal number of players per grid. Example: if you have 12 players and 2 grids, you should have 6 players per grid.

How the game is played: The 2 players playing 1 vs. 1. They should compete from 1 - 3 minutes. The players not participating should help to collect the balls to make sure the game never stops. You can have a competition where the winner stays or have teams competing against each other.

Variations/Progression: Move to 2 vs.2, or 2 vs. 1



2 vs. 2 (15 mins)

Number of players required: Full U11 or U12 team

Equipment: Pug goals, cones or flags to create the small goals.
OR Few cones to create the line (zone), divide the field and create the lines. Few balls per grid.

Grid requirement: Create 2 - 3 (20 x 20 grid). Players are required to play inside the grid.

Organization: Have equal number of players per grid. Example: if you have 12 players and 2 grids, you should have 6 players per grid.

How the game is played: The 4 players playing 2 vs. 2. They should compete from 1 - 3 minutes. The players not participating should help to collect the balls to make sure the game never stops. You can have a competition where the winners stay or have teams competing against each other.

Variations/Progression: Move to 3 vs.3, or 3 vs. 2



Match - Scrimmage (20 mins)

Number of players required: Full U11 or U12 Team

Equipment: many soccer balls. For the 2 goals you can use pug goals or cones.

Grid requirement: Create a 40 X 40 yard grid marked with cones.

Organization: All players are required to play within the grid.

How the game is played: Two teams will be formed like regular scrimmage.

Variations/Progression:

- Competition between the teams
- Implement the topic of the session in the small side games.

