

Tackling & defending 2 V 2

Coaching Plan

Title:	Tackling & defending 2 V 2
Objectives:	1. Improve tackling
	2. Improve defending
Age range:	U9s +
No. of Players:	4
Time:	20 mins
Organisation:	2 attackers (black) v 2 defenders (red)
_	Grid 20 x 20 (larger grid makes it harder for defenders, easier for attackers)
	Position 2 attackers at corners adjacent to coach. Coach feeds to 1 attacker.
	Attacker's objective is to pass to each other (1point) or score goal (2points).
	Attackers to keep possession can pass back to coach (nil points).
	Defenders get 1 point each time the ball is tackled and knocked out of the grid.
Drill:	Coach
Coaching	Defender closest to attacker with ball.
Points:	• Get to player fast. Approach side on, weakest foot leading, strongest trailing.
	• Stand up. Don't go to ground. Flex legs to lower centre of gravity.
	Focus on the ball (not the attacker).
	 Use block technique; use inside of foot, lock ankle, tackle the centre of ball. If attacker passes, defender becomes defender marking attacker without ball
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	 Hold back, close enough to get tight quickly should attacker receive ball
	 MUST see ball & player they are marking. Don't allow attacker to get round back.
	 If player receives ball get tight and then follow "defender closet t o attacker with
	ball" coaching points.
Progression:	If attacker turns back to defender then coach NO TURN.
	Stay touch tight
	Focus on the ball. Stay low to see the ball.
	Can you nick it with toe.