

# \* So You Think You Can Teach Soccer

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# How Well Do You Know Soccer

- Coaching Education is heavily focused on teaching skills
- What about teaching the game?
- What about understanding the game?
- Is teaching skills the only aspect of being a coach?

# Multi-aspects of being a Coach

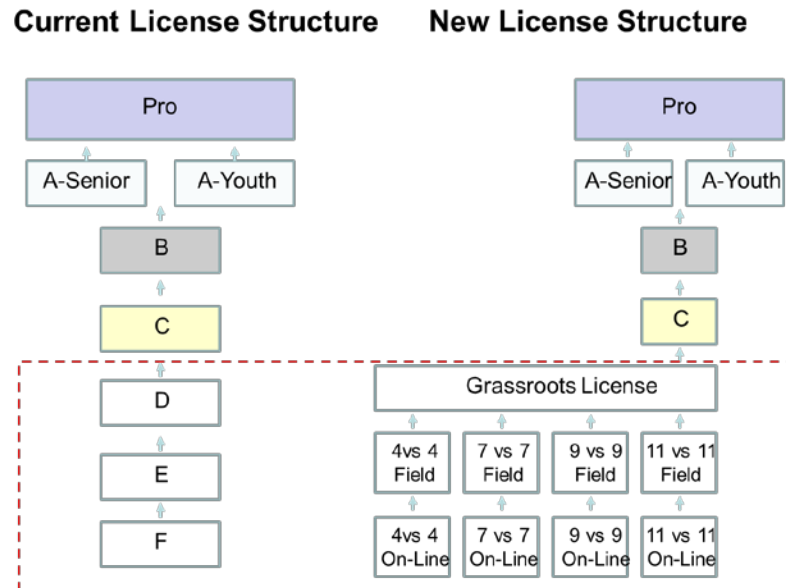
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- What we fail to communicate about being a Coach
  - Respect the officials and the job they perform
  - Educate the parents on how to behave during games
  - Learn to be under control at all times
  - Lead by example

# The Changing Landscape of Coaching Education

- The soccer federation is once again looking at changing the coaching curriculum.
- Grassroots Coach
  - A volunteer who takes on the role of coaching kids
  - Focus is to make them better



# Coaching Education Initiatives

- Learning Environment
  - Better Coaches + Better Environment = Better Players
- Coach Development
  - Prepare player for the game
- Player Development
  - Ultimate Goal: Players taking responsibility for their own development
- Parent Education

# The Parent Volunteer

- The Parent Volunteer goes much further than just teaching soccer
- The Parent Volunteer is being entrusted with young lives
- The Parent Volunteer sometimes spends more time with these young lives than their parents or teachers
- We need to listen and understand the needs of the Parent Volunteer

# Needs of the Parent Volunteer

- Not Wanted
  - Most don't want hours of training on setting up a training plan
  - Drills drawn up which are confusing
  - Drills which use soccer terminology and are heavily described
  - Added expenses to coach
- Preferred
  - Convenience of Coaching Education
    - Spending a whole weekend or numerous hours away from home is not convenient
    - Only 20% of volunteer coaches are willing to go somewhere for training
  - Technical tips and how to teach them
    - Offer focused training sessions
  - Disciplinary tips



# Engaging Parents

- Benefits
  - Fewer kids quit playing
  - More satisfied coaches
  - Parents are more empathetic towards the coach
  - Parents perceive the team in a positive manner
  - Helps in toning down the overzealous parent
- Why are parents not engaged?
  - Parents don't think they need to be involved
  - Imbalance of power between coach and parents
    - Coaches are fearful of giving up power
  - Coaches don't have the skills to engage parents

# Methods to Engage Parents

- Encourage consistent communication
  - This goes both ways
  - Send weekly emails informing parents of the week ahead
  - Ask parents to provide advanced notice if their child cannot attend a game or practice
- Be Organized
  - Makes a good impression
- Team events
  - End of season parties are great but sometimes too late
  - Plan an early season event
    - The intent is to develop an early relationship between the coach and the parents as well as parents with other parents
  - Go out for pizza or ice cream after a game
- Make it fun for both the players and the parents

# Soccer Terminology

- Player and Parent education involves teaching soccer terminology
- How well do you know soccer terminology?
- Can you teach soccer terminology?
- How can you make learning soccer fun?

**By Playing a Game**

- \* 1. Two teams of five players
- \* 2. Each player takes turns giving clues to another teammate
- \* 3. The player giving the clues faces the screen
- \* 4. The players receiving the clues stand in a line facing the clue giver
- \* 5. Only the next person in line can guess the clue
- \* 6. Cannot pass on a word
- \* 7. No part of the word in any language can be used as part of the clue
- \* 8. Cannot say 'starts with'
- \* 9. Each team has two minutes to guess as many words as possible (maximum of 15)
- \* 10. Each team will have two rounds
- \* 11. At the end of two rounds, a one minute round will be used as a tie breaker
- \* 12. Winner is the team that guesses the most and/or fastest in their combined rounds
- \* 13. All Game Show Hosts decisions will be final

## \* How To Play

- \* 1. Random draw for teams (other volunteers will be chosen from the pool of people that did not make the team cuts)
- \* 2. Game monitor to make sure clues do not include any part of the word being guessed.
- \* 3. Score keeper to keep track of each team's correct answers
- \* 4. Time Monitor to record the amount of time it took to complete all clues and to reset the clock prior to each round.

**\*Volunteers Needed**

\*Game Will Start in.....

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**Team A**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team A - Round 1

# Drop Ball

\*Team A - Round 1

# Goal

\*Team A - Round 1

# Wall

\*Team A - Round 1

# Send Off

\*Team A - Round 1

# Time Management

\*Team A - Round 1

# Trip



\*Team A - Round 1

# Start of Game

\*Team A - Round 1

# Kicks from the mark

\*Team A - Round 1

# Touch Line

\*Team A - Round 1

# Advantage

\*Team A - Round 1

# Offside

\*Team A - Round 1

# Substitute

\*Team A - Round 1

# Corner Kick

\*Team A - Round 1

# Jersey



\*Team A - Round 1

# Two Touch

**Team A**  
**End of Round 1**

**Team B**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team B - Round 1

**Pass**

\*Team B - Round 1

# Juggle

\*Team B - Round 1

# Bicycle Kick

\*Team B - Round 1

# Yellow Card

\*Team B - Round 1

# The Midline



\*Team B - Round 1

# Free Kick

\*Team B - Round 1

# Goalie

\*Team B - Round 1

**Dismissed**

\*Team B - Round 1

# Header

\*Team B - Round 1

# Soccer Ball

\*Team B - Round 1

# Corner Flag

\*Team B - Round 1

# Defender

\*Team B - Round 1

# Score



\*Team B - Round 1

# Officials

\*Team B - Round 1

# Dangerous Play

**Team B**  
**End of Round 1**

**Team A**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team A - Round 2

# Captain

\*Team A - Round 2

# AR Flag

\*Team A - Round 2

# Kick Off

\*Team A - Round 2

# Added Time



\*Team A - Round 2

# Penalty Mark

\*Team A - Round 2

# Socks

\*Team A - Round 2

# Cleats

\*Team A - Round 2

# The Pitch

\*Team A - Round 2

# Midfielder

\*Team A - Round 2

# Indirect kick

\*Team A - Round 2

# Dribble

\*Team A - Round 2

# Center Referee



\*Team A - Round 2

# Shin Guards

\*Team A - Round 2

# Red Card

\*Team A - Round 2

# Handling

**Team A**  
**End of Round 2**

**Team B**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team B - Round 2

# Match

\*Team B - Round 2

# Offside Position

\*Team B - Round 2

# Goal Kick



\*Team B - Round 2

# Forward

\*Team B - Round 2

# Shorts

\*Team B - Round 2

# Throw In

\*Team B - Round 2

# Whistle

\*Team B - Round 2

# Unsporting Behavior

\*Team B - Round 2

**Kick**

\*Team B - Round 2

# Net

\*Team B - Round 2

# Penalty Box



\*Team B - Round 2

# Direct Kick

\*Team B - Round 2

# Assistant Referee

\*Team B - Round 2

# The Eighteen

\*Team B - Round 2

# Goal Line

**Team B**  
**End of Round 2**

# Tie Breakers

**Team A**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Goal Box



\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Delay of Game

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Diagonal

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

**‘Play On’**

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Outside Agent

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Penalty Arc

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# One Touch

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# The Six

\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Sweeper



\*Team A - Tie Breaker

# Running a 'left'

**Team A**  
**End of Tie**  
**Breaker**

**Team B**  
**Get Ready**

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Penalty Kick

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Coach's Box

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Center Circle

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Fourth Official

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Deliberate



\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Caution

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Ten Yards

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Corner Arc

\*Team B - Tie Breaker

# Nutmeg

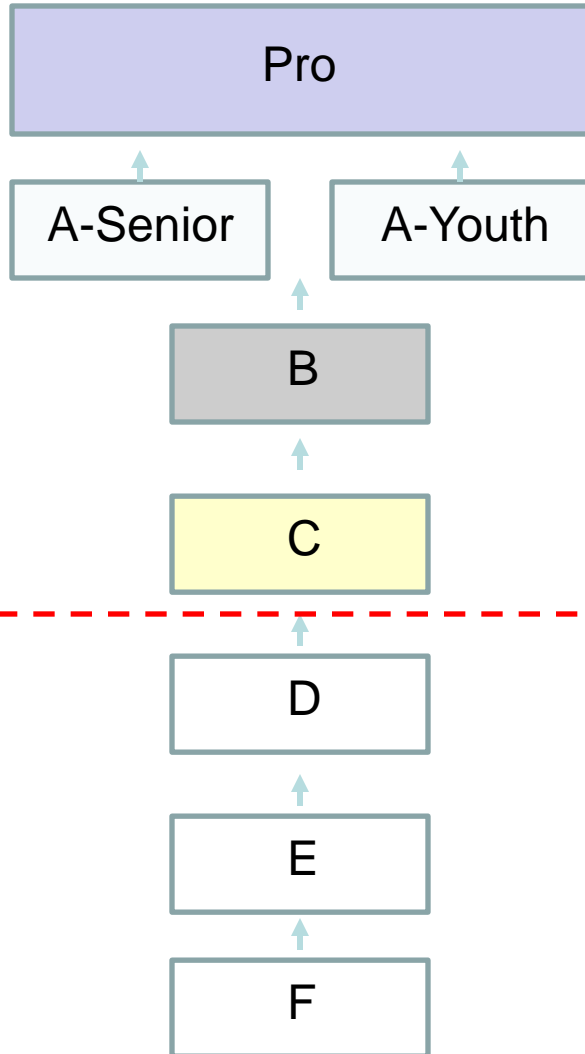
\*Team B - Tie Breaker

**Running a 'right'**

**Team B**  
**End of Tie**  
**Breaker**

\*Thank you

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