

# HOW TO USE THE JUNIOR 101 ACTIVITY CARDS

Simply pick an activity from each section to create your Junior 101 session. You can even create a longer session by choosing several activites from each section, the choice is yours!



# LINE DANCING

#### THE GAME

Players have a throw down line or stand behind a painted line on the floor. The coach calls out the following actions:

**Forward Jumps:** With feet together jump forwards and backwards over the line.

**Sideways Jumps:** With feet together jump sideways over the line.

**Hopscotch 1:** Players start with one foot on either side of the line. From standing on two feet, hop on to the line with one foot and then back onto two feet and repeat.

Hopscotch 2: Players alternate the leg they hop onto.

**Criss-Cross 1:** As above, but players jump so their feet are crossed & then uncrossed.

**Criss-Cross 2:** From a sideways position, players start with legs crossed either side of the line, then jump from a crossed position over the line to a crossed position, alternating the leading leg.

### INTRODUCTORY ACTIVITY **AGES 5-11 Sideways** Jumps Criss Cross 2 Criss Cross 1 Forward Jumps Hopscotch 1 Hopscotch 2



#### LEARNING OUTCOME

Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements and preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.



Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Create a competition to see which player scores the most points in a specific amount of time.

# **CROSS THE COURT**

#### THE GAME

Players have 3 throw down lines or spots each and start at one end of the court. They aim to create a path using their lines to stand on, so they can get to the other end of the court without touching the floor.

Players will have to balance on one line / spot and move the other two into a new position moving across the court from one end to the other.

Challenge players to get across the court without stepping off their lines / spots and explore different ways of achieving the goal.

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#### LEARNING OUTCOME

Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements. Preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.

Players will develop tactical awareness and problem solving skills.



Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.

#### **MAKE IT HARDER**

Encourage players to get across the court in fewer moves, or increase the distance that players have to travel.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Split players into teams who race across the court. Players must start again (or face a time penalty) if they step off a line.





#### LEARNING OUTCOME

Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements. Preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.



Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.

Take extra caution at faster speeds and with changes of direction.

#### MAKE IT HARDER

Add new commands or call out commands in quicker succession.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Eliminate players that are last to follow a command leaving the last player(s) as the winner(s).

# SQUISTER

#### THE GAME

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In a defined area, the coach places lots of different coloured cones (close together) and asks players to stand next to a cone when they call out the corresponding colour.

The coach can then ask players to put different body parts on different colour cones.

e.g. Red cone – left hand. Blue cone – right foot etc.





#### LEARNING OUTCOME

Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements. Preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.



Make sure there are enough cones for the group and ensure players act responsibly. Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.

#### MAKE IT HARDER

Call out commands in quicker succession.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Eliminate players who do the wrong actions, or are last to do the actions, until only one (or a few) are left as the winner(s).

## **SPOTS CHALLENGE**

#### THE GAME

In an open space place a number of cones / spots on the floor. Each player has one ball and a racket. Players move around the space balancing the ball on the racket. When the coach shouts out "squash", players must move quickly to a spot and stand on it whilst keeping the ball balanced on the strings of the racket.



#### LEARNING OUTCOME

Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements. Preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.

SQUASH!



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Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.

Beware of collisions as players run to a spot.

#### **MAKE IT HARDER**

More advanced players can bounce the ball on the strings as they move around the hall.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Eliminate players that are left without a spot – as in musical chairs. THE GAME

# HUMAN BOP IT

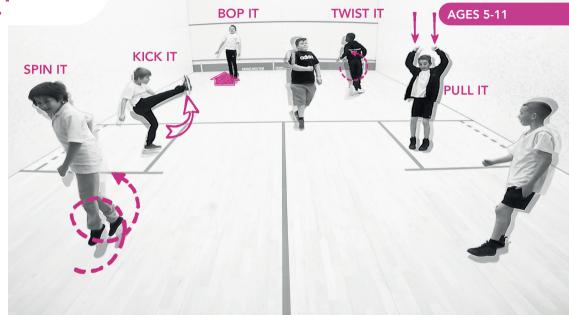
In an open space, players move

around whilst the coach calls out

the actions to which the players respond in the following ways:

**Kick it** - players kick in front of them (ensure they are all in a

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space first!). **Twist it** - twist their bodies

halfway around then back, with feet remaining in same place on the floor.

**Spin it** – players jump and spin / turn around.

**Pull it** - imagine they are pulling two levers down from above their heads.

Bop it - jump in the air.





Players will learn the reasons for warming up. Preparing the body physically for sport through dynamic movements. Preparing mentally by listening to the instructions.





Reiterate that players should kick the open air and not fellow players. Always make sure there is enough space for the number of people taking part in the warm up.

#### MAKE IT HARDER

Call out the commands in quicker succession.



#### MAKE IT COMPETITIVE

Eliminate players who do the wrong actions, until only one, (or a few) are left as the winner(s).