| Exercise/Notes | Description | Diagram | Coaching Points |
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| Monster Tag <br> Every player with a ball <br> $25 y d X 25 y d$ grid, small jail in the corner | - Coaches are the monsters (if there is only 1 coach, designate a player to be a monster too) <br> - Players have a superpower (their turns) - each level has a different superpower - if a player does their superpower before the coach is about to tag them, they are safe <br> TURN PROGRESSION: 1) Pull Turn 2) Cruyff Turn 3) Pull Push 4) Monster will yell out any of the three turns <br> Spend 90 seconds reviewing each turn before each round starts - if monster tags a player then 15 toe touches in jail <br> Videos of turns for Coaches to refresh their memory: <br> Pull Turn: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4t3IQIvx9no Cruyff: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DOqQbamkPvE Pull Push: <br> http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uzBzRY2aKRE |  | +When learning the turns first walk them thru, then slowly speed up once the mechanics are down +If turns are easy, encourage players to practice them at game speed, with their head up, and/or with their weak foot +Encourage players to use these turns in their games |
| Vertical Zone Game <br> 2 teams - can play $4 \mathrm{v} 4,5 \mathrm{v} 5$, or 6v6 <br> 40X40 yard field - 3 zones | Regular soccer, but players must stay inside their zone. This will isolate 1v1 battles on the wings and possession 2 v 2 (or 3 v 3 ) battles in the middle zone <br> Progression: Allow team in possession to have one player when on attack join up on the wing (2v1 advantage) |  | + Players in the wide channels should look to take on each other and deliver good crosses +Players in the middle channel need to combine with quick passes and on defense use pressure/cover |
| 3 Zone Game <br> Field is divided into thirds (defensive $3^{\text {rd }}$, middle $3^{\text {rd }}$, and final $3^{\text {rd }}$ ) | Regular game, except now the field is divided in horizontal zones. Players can move between the zones, but each zone has a limit on the amount of touches players can take. This game is designed to make defenders take less risk in the defensive $3^{\text {rd }}$ (2 touch maximum), make midfielders play the ball quickly and increase their decision making in the middle $3^{\text {rd }}$ (3 touch), and to encourage forwards to take players on and be creative creating goal scoring chances in the attacking $3^{\text {rd }}$ (no touch requirement) <br> DEFENDING TEAM'S BACK THIRD - 2 TOUCH <br> MIDDLE THIRD (BOTH TEAMS) - 3 TOUCH MAX <br> ATTACKING TEAM'S FRONT THIRD - UNLIMITED <br> If players take more than the allowed touches it is a turnover |  | + Play simple in the back, if in doubt clear the ball...do not try to dribble by players <br> + In the middle third look to play quickly and connect with the forwards <br> +In the final third take risks, try to dribble by opponents |

