

SHARKS AND MINNOWS

Materials: Spot Cones (15-20)

Game Length: 12-20 minutes

Soccer Skill: Dribbling

This game is played in a rectangular grid (length & width relative to # of kids). The grid is typically around 25-30 yards long and 15-20 yards wide. All the minnows will start at one end of the rectangle lined up shoulder to shoulder, each with a soccer ball. The Shark (coach or a player) start in the middle of the rectangle. The object of the game is for the minnows to dribble the soccer ball from one end of the rectangle to the other end of the rectangle without getting their ball kicked out by the shark. **When the minnows successfully reach the other side of the rectangle, without getting their ball kicked out, they must stop and wait for the rest of the minnows.** If a minnow gets their ball kicked out of the grid by a shark or they dribble the ball outside the grid they become a shark in the next round. The game will resume with the remaining minnows attempting to get to the other side. *Emphasize that the kids keep the ball close to their bodies while dribbling the ball from one end to the other.*

○ - SHARK △ - MINNOWS ⊗ - Soccer Balls

