

Curriculum - First Kick Activity # - 9

Game Title:	Thomas the Tank Engine	Game Theme:	Movements
Learning Outcome(s):	Speed, balance and coordination		



Organization:

- 20 x 20 yard area with four 5 x 5 yard areas in each corner (each a different color), set up as shown
- 2. Tall cones
- 3. Disc cones
- 4. Pinnies
- 5. Lots of soccer balls

Story/Description:

- 1. The coach is Sir Topham Hatt and the players are the trains Thomas, Percy, James or Emily
- 2. The trains must follow Sir Topham Hatt around the area staying on the track
- 3. The trains visit each of the four stations to familiarize themselves with route
- 4. The trains move through the forest (cones), around the lake (blue pinnies) and over the mountains (tall cones)

Coaching Points:

- 1. Slow down as you approach the station
- 2. Speed up on the straight parts of the track to go really fast!
- 3. Legs aren't allowed to cross when going through mountains or you might derail (introduce side shuffling)!

Developments:

- 1. Players start off as a long train following and mimicking the coach's movements
- 2. Players then break off to go on their own
- 3. Players have to identify the different color stations to go to (no ball)
- 4. Players then have to pick up a ball from one station and transfer it to another (hands only to start with)
- 5. Now players have to transfer the ball from station to station using only their feet