

Mastering Striking and Fielding with Max the Monkey

Learning objective: To understand the key positions and movements required in a striking and fielding game.

Use your best drawing skills to illustrate a game of rounders on the pitch below. Follow the steps provided and use the word bank to label your diagram accurately.

Draw: Draw a top-down view of a rounders pitch. Include a diamond shape with four bases. Place Max the Monkey in the centre as the bowler, a batter at the first base, and at least four other fielders scattered around the grass. Use a clean, clear style with neat labels pointing to the equipment and players.



Label words: Batter · Bowler · Backstop · Fielding team · Base · Striking zone

Steps:

1. Step 1: Draw the fielding team spread out across the pitch. Where should the backstop stand? Draw a small circle behind the batter and label it.
2. Step 2: Draw the batter holding a bat in the striking zone. Why is it important for the batter to look at the ball?
3. Step 3: Label the 'bowler' on your diagram. In your own words, what is the main job of the bowler?
4. Step 4: Draw a ball in the air. If you were a fielder, what would you do to catch the ball safely?
5. Step 5: Identify one base on your drawing. Why must a player touch the base after hitting the ball?