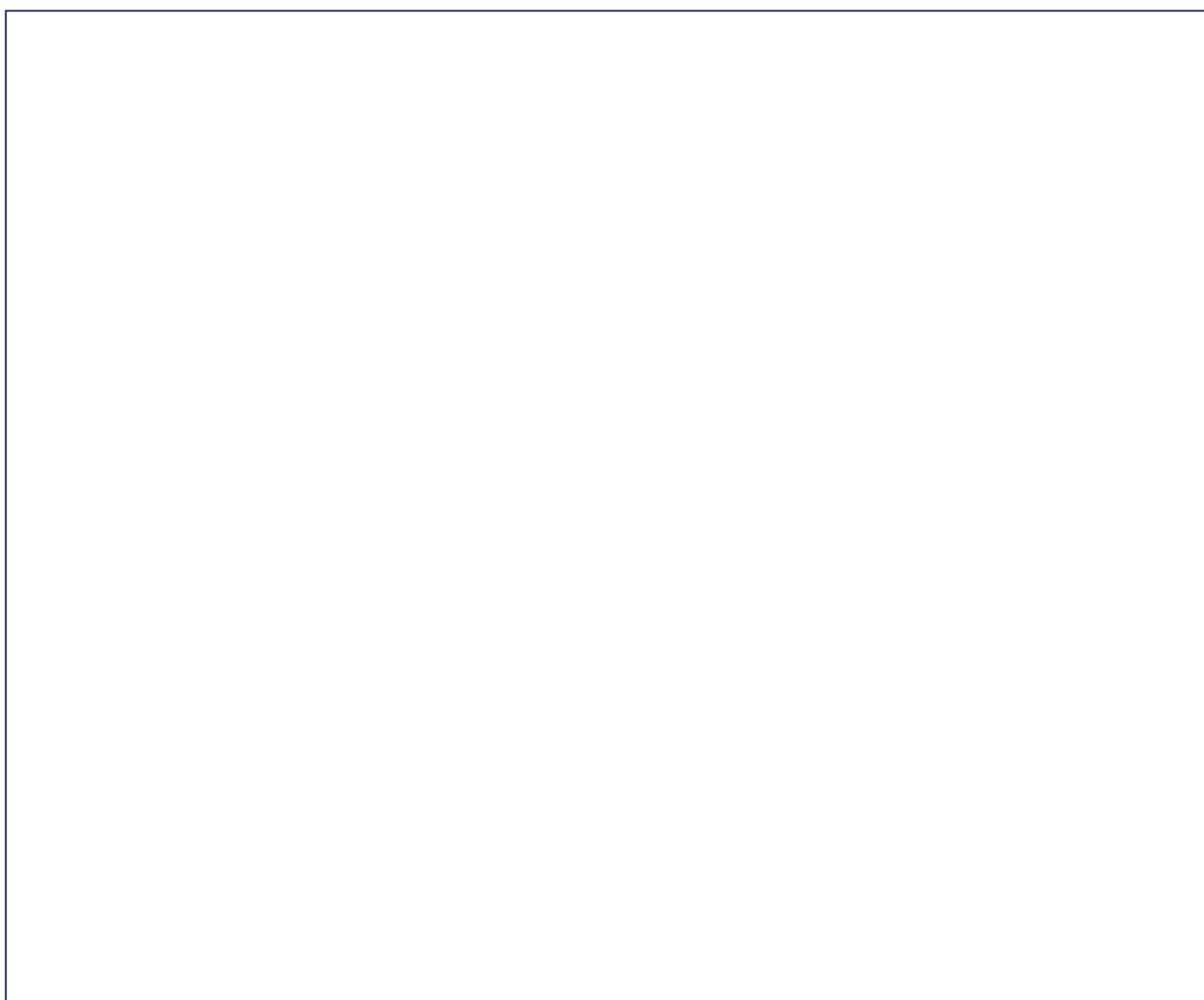


Tactical Masterclass: Invasion Games

Learning objective: To understand the tactical principles of invasion games, including attacking, defending, and spatial awareness.

Use this sheet to plan your winning team's strategy. Follow the drawing prompt to map out your pitch and label the key tactical areas. Make sure to include the positions of your players to show how they work together to control the game.

Draw: Draw a bird's-eye view of a rectangular sports pitch. Divide the pitch into three zones: Defensive, Midfield, and Attacking. Use 'X' symbols to mark where your players are standing while on the attack. Use arrows to show a potential 'passing lane' between three of your players. Ensure the goal areas are clearly marked at each end of the pitch. Keep the style neat, using a ruler for the pitch lines.



Label words: Attacking Third · Defensive Zone · Passing Lane · Marking · Space · Transition · Goal Area

Steps:

1. Explain why it is important for a player to create 'space' when their team is in possession of the ball.
2. Label your drawing to show where a 'Passing Lane' is located.
3. What should a defender do if an attacking player enters their 'Defensive Zone'?
4. Describe one way you can communicate with a teammate during a fast-paced game.

5. Why do we use the term 'Transition' in invasion games?