U.S. SOCCER COACH'S TOOL KIT

ON THE FIELD



WHAT - TEACHING ACTIONS	PURPOSE OF THE ACTION	WHEN - THE MOMENT OF APPLICATION
CHECK - ADAPT	Observe and check the created situation on the field, adapt if necessary based on the Five Elements of a Training Activity	 Ongoing In the flow (sideline coaching) Planned stoppage (break) Natural stoppage (ball out of bounds) In the situation (freeze)
GIVE POSITIVE REINFORCEMENT	 Reinforce effective actions in order to use it again in similar situations Motivate players 	
USE OF KEY WORDS	Encourage and support players to focus on cues and/or desired behavior	The application of coaching actions can be a single action or combined actions during different moments. Examples:
ASK QUESTIONS (and collect answers)	 Use guided questions to force players to think about cues and/or desired behavior Check for understanding Reflect 	 In the situation (freeze): combination of demonstration, Q&A and feedback Planned stoppage (break): Q&A and encourage players to focus them
DEMONSTRATE (player and/or coach)	 Model desired behavior Visualize the situation Check for understanding 	BASIC MODEL OF TEACHING (LEARNING CIRCLE) OF VELOPMENT
GIVE FEEDBACK	Collect information on players' behavior related to the objective of the activity	
COMMAND	Tell players what to do	
APPLY THE LEARNING CIRCLE (as a concept)	Use a combination of coaching observation and player reflection to get players thinking about and/or modeling the desired behavior and applying their newly learned abilities	