## **FUNNEL**

ONE STUDENT ATTACKER STARTS FROM THE END OF A NARROW GRID AND AIMS TO SCORE A TRY AT THE END OF A WIDER GRID WITHOUT GETTING TAGGED BY A STUDENT DEFENDER





# **SKILLS FOCUS**

TAG DEFENCE

#### **EQUIPMENT AND SET UP**

- 1. 6 marker cones per grid
- 2. Grid 5m x 5m opens to a 10m wide grid (funnel)
- 3. 1 Rugby ball per grid

### **AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM LINKS**

LEARNING AREA: Health and Physical Education STRAND: Movement and physical activity

SUB-STRAND: Moving our body, Learning through

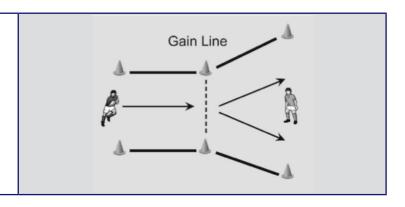
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FOCUS AREAS: Active play and minor games,

**Fundamental movement skills** 

## WHAT TO DO

- 1. Divide students into pairs and depending on space and equipment, send one or more pairs to each grid
- 2. A student attacker begins at the narrow end and a student defender begins at the wide end of the grid.
- 3. The student attacker aims to gain as much ground as they can and even score a try without getting tagged by the student defender. Students can use a coloured marker cone to indicate how much ground they gained before being tagged.
- 4. Repeat activity twice and then swap roles



## **TEACHING TIPS**

- The student who reaches the 'gain line' first will gain a space advantage
- Run at the defender i.e. "fix", then change direction and run to space
- Use fast feet
- Remind students when tagging to keep their heads safely to the side or behind the attacker

## **VARIATIONS**

- Get attacker and defender to start on their stomachs or backs before calling "Go!".
- Add a second attacker and/or defender.
- Increase the size of the funnel grid

### **QUESTIONS FOR UNDERSTANDING**

- How could the attacker create space to avoid being tagged by the defender
- Where should the defender position themselves to have the most chance of tagging the attacker?

## **FAIR PLAY OPPORTUNITIES**

Acknowledge students who encourage other students to perform their best