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## **Lesson Plan**



Topic: Block Tackling

Age: U12

Activity Name	Description	Diagram	Purpose/Coaching Points
Knock Out	O players try to tackle the X players with the ball – O will count how many times they make a tackle. Repeat activity with players playing for 30 seconds each time. Keep score each time	XX 6x6 grid OX	Supporting foot next to the ball  Lean forward from the shoulders
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1v1 Battle Ladder	1 point for a tackle 1 point for a goal 3 points for a goal that happens after a tackle	O O O O A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A A	Lock the tackling foot's ankle with toes pointed slightly forward  Defending distance to the ball
3 1v1 Wars	Line soccer.		T11. 24 C 111. 1
2v2 3v3 4v4	When a player scores from a block tackle, s/he gets 3 points. A regular goal counts as 1 point. Progress this activity from 1v1 to 4 v4, and the same rules apply each time		Tackle with full body weight  Angle of body shape  Throwing fakes at attacker  Eyes on the ball

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6v6 The "Time Zones"	Regular game if you tackle within the final third of the field.	4 pts	3 pts	2 pts	Commit fully to the tackle
	4 points + 1 point for a goal	A	M	D	
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8v8 Final Game	Without restrictions or conditions. Play under U.S. Youth Soccer-modified rules for U12	2-3-2			Coach the topic during the game
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Cool Down	Juggling in pairs				