

**Name/Title:** Ninja Turtle Soccer

**Purpose of Event:** To keep soccer ball close to student's body when practicing cues for dribbling with feet and toe taps.

**Prerequisites:** Cues to dribbling (small touches, primarily inside part of foot, look up)/Cues to toe taps (lightly tap the top of the ball with the bottom of your foot, alternate feet)

**Suggested Grade Level:** K-2

**Materials Needed:** Poly spots, soccer balls, flat hula hoops

### Description of Idea

Students dribble around the gym trying to get as many "pizzas" as possible. To get a "pizza" (poly spot), they keep track of how many times they can stop their soccer ball on the "pizza" (poly spots are scattered in the activity area).

Students can't pick the "pizzas" up. They also try to avoid the "manholes" (hula hoops). If the student's ball travels across a "manhole" (out of control), they must perform 3 toe taps to climb out of the "man hole" before continuing to dribble.

#### **Variations:**

Use larger bases instead of poly spots.

#### **Assessment Ideas:**

Checklist: Student keeps ball close to body (in control)-Yes or No.

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