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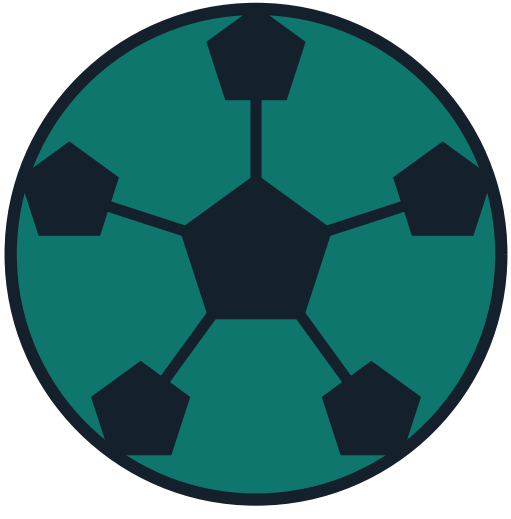
# Meet Banana Ball!

Baseball rewritten for pace and show — win the inning, beat the two-hour clock, in the Savannah Bananas' Banana Ball Championship League.



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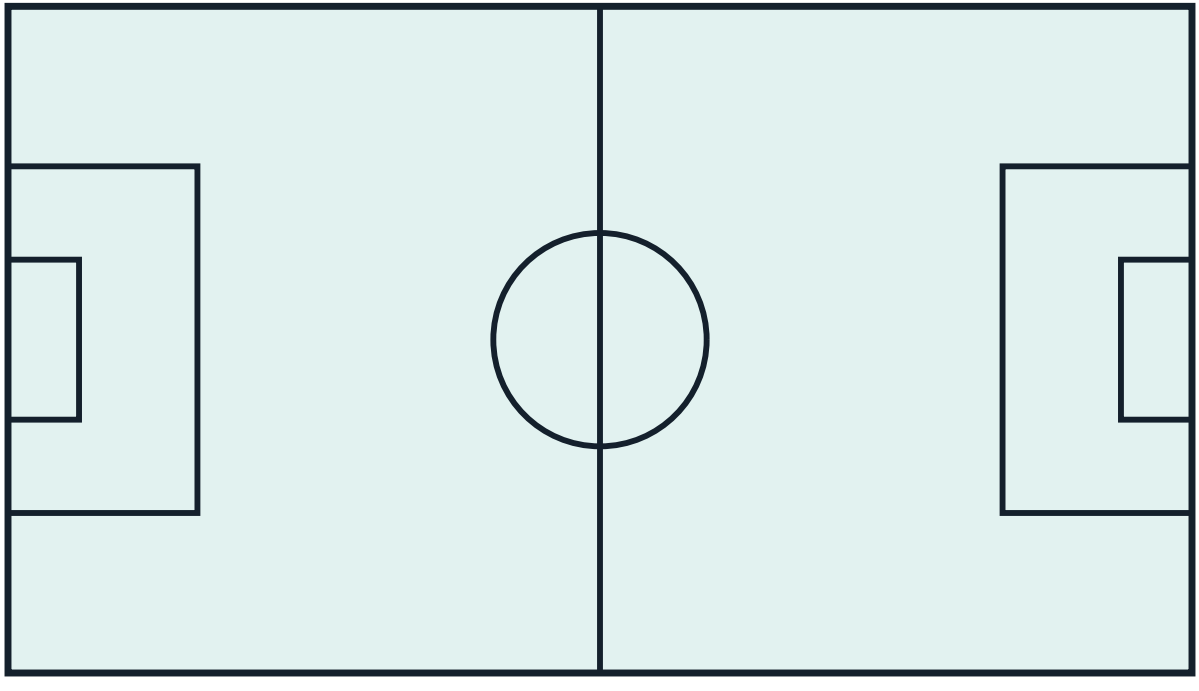

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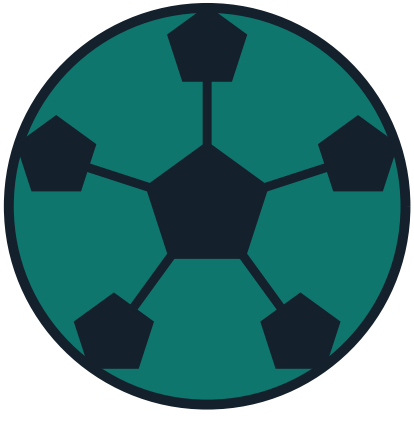

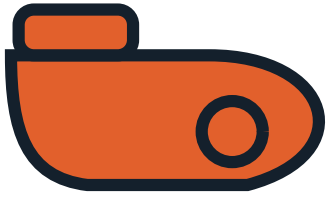

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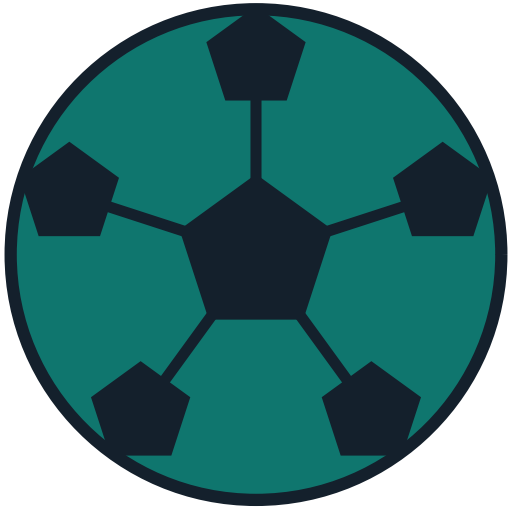
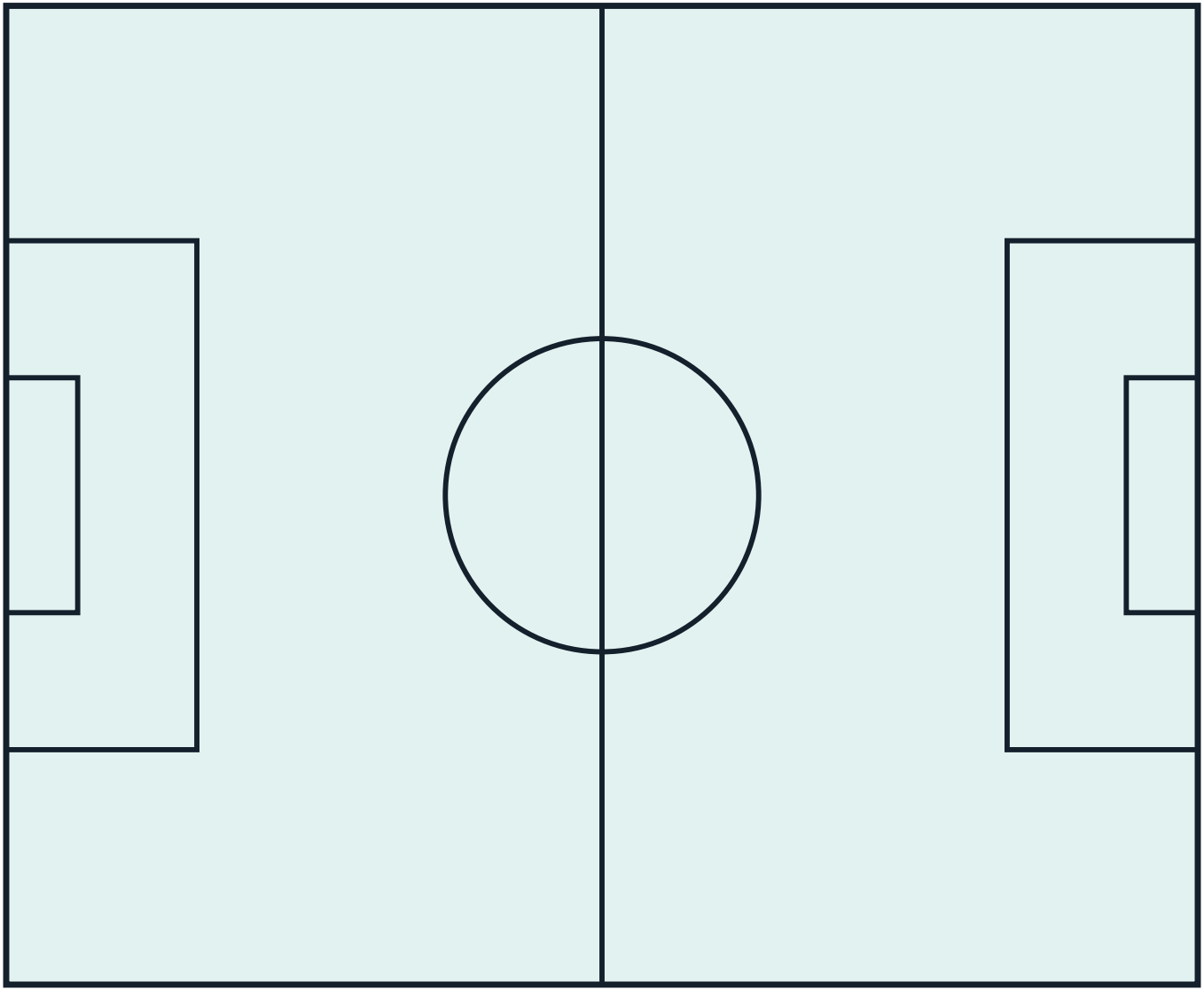
# How to Play

Banana Ball is baseball deliberately re-engineered as entertainment — the Savannah Bananas' rules are the product, and they read as a point-by-point indictment of baseball's dead time.



# The Playing Area



# Good to Know

# Moments That Shaped the Game

- developed 2020–2022; touring from 2023 — The Eleven Rules of Banana Ball: Banana Ball's code, point by point against tradition: (1) win innings, not total runs — most innings won takes the game,.

# Rules That Changed the Game

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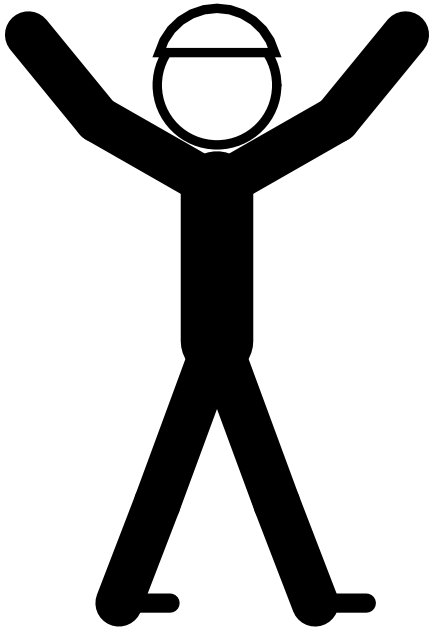
# Colour the Action



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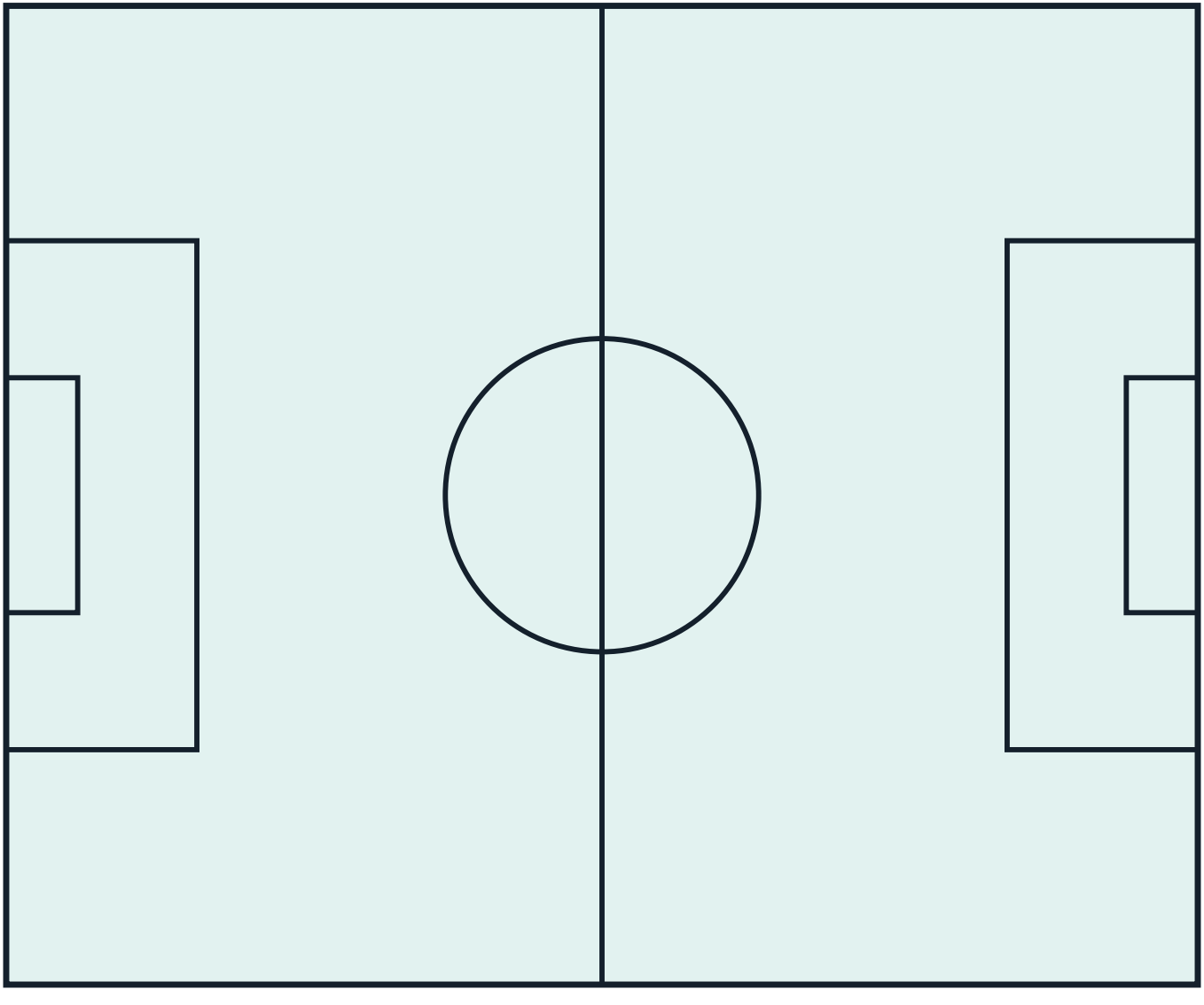
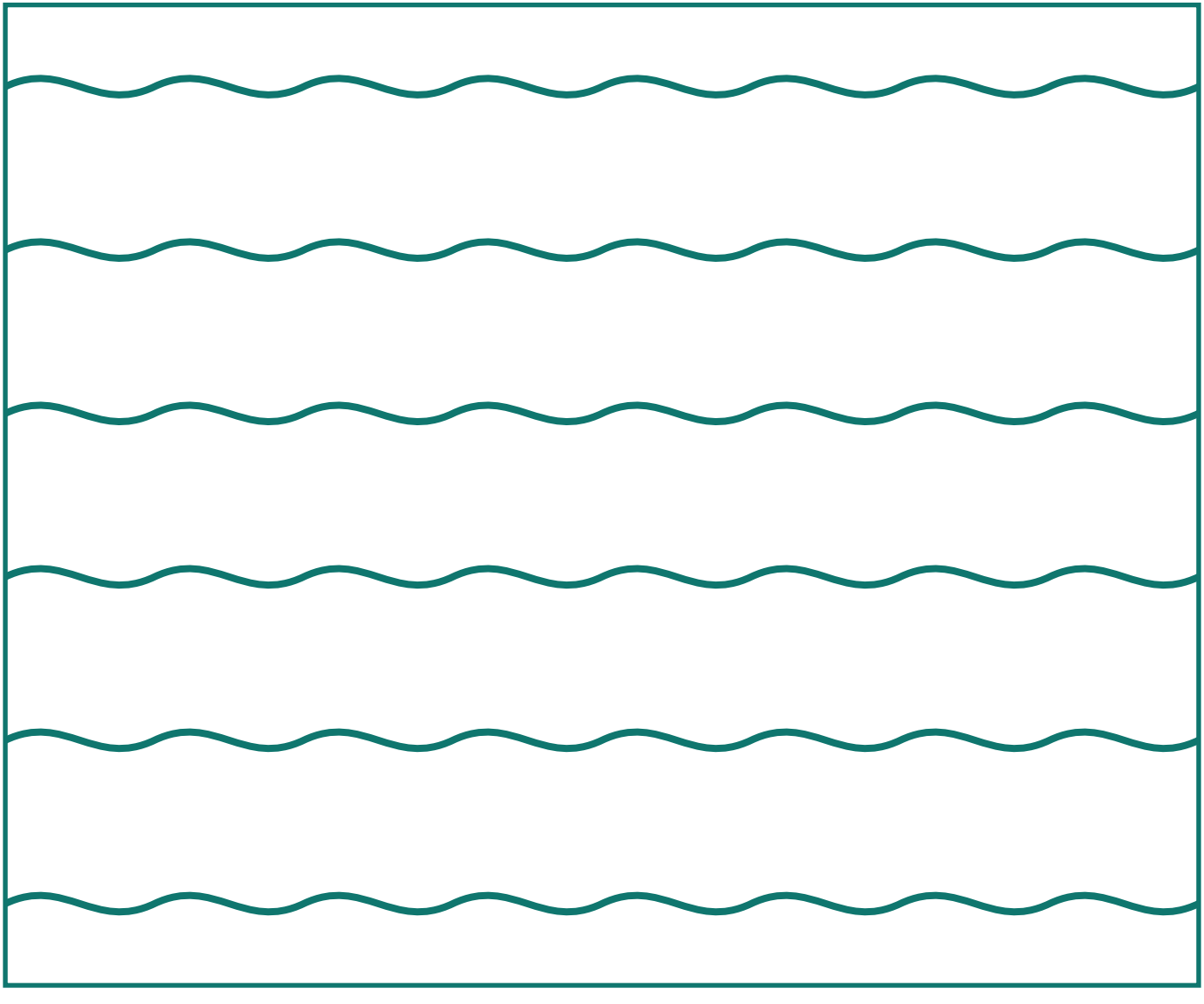
# The Sport Today



# At School and College



# Play It Near You



# Through the Year



# The Adaptations & new formats Family

Every sport belongs to a family of games that share its shapes and skills. Here are some of this book's closest relatives — each with a cartoon book and a colouring book of its own.

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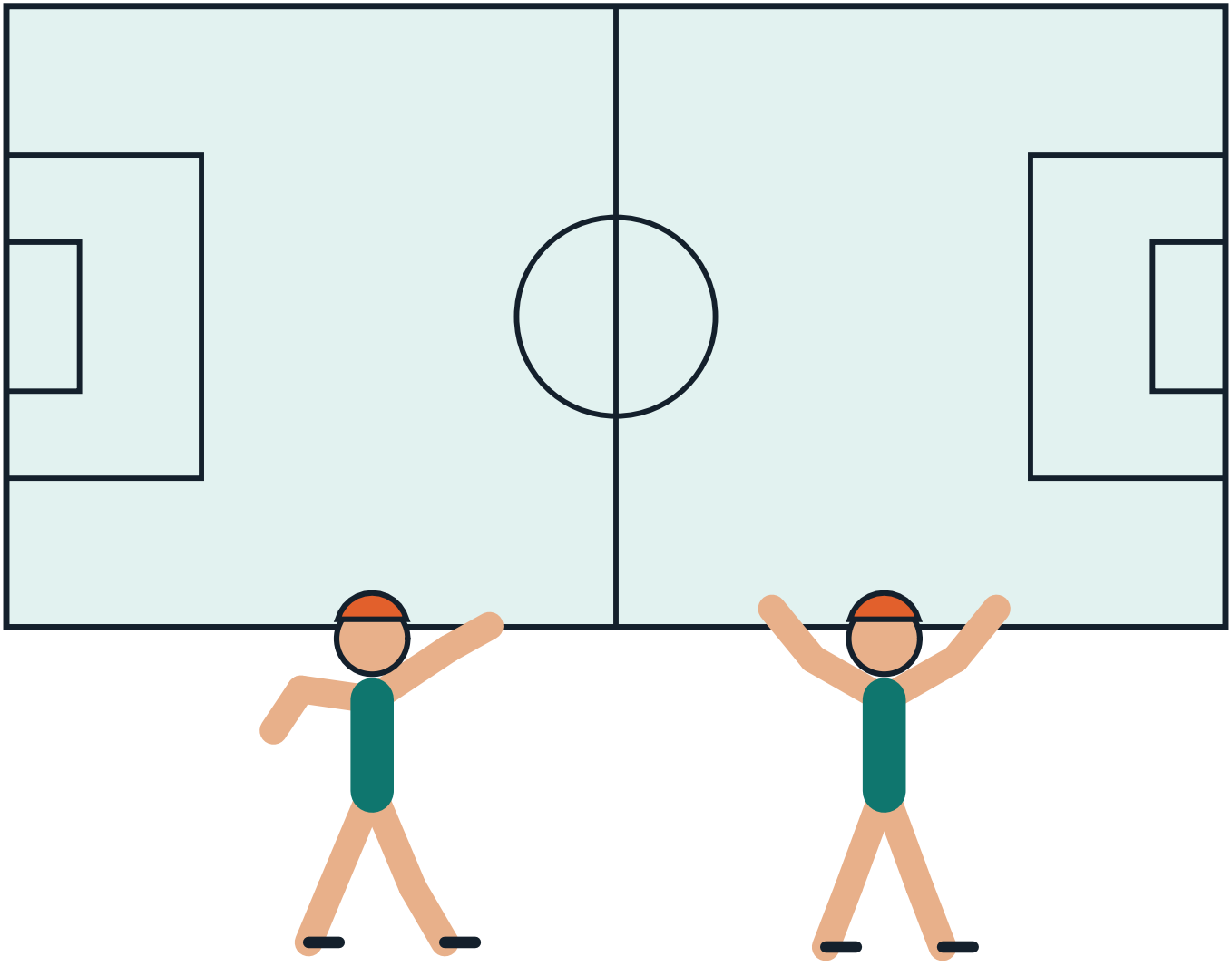
# Game Day!



# The Sport on Earth Mark

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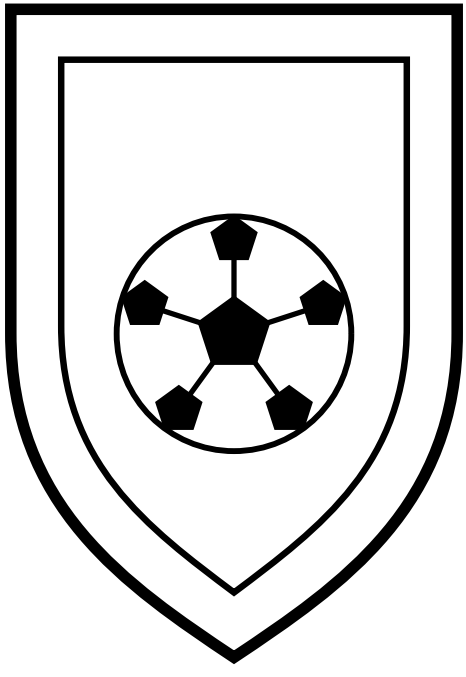
# Moves of the Game

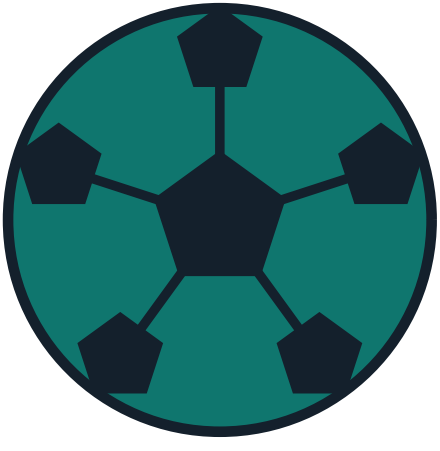


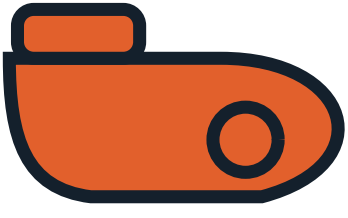
# Design a Badge



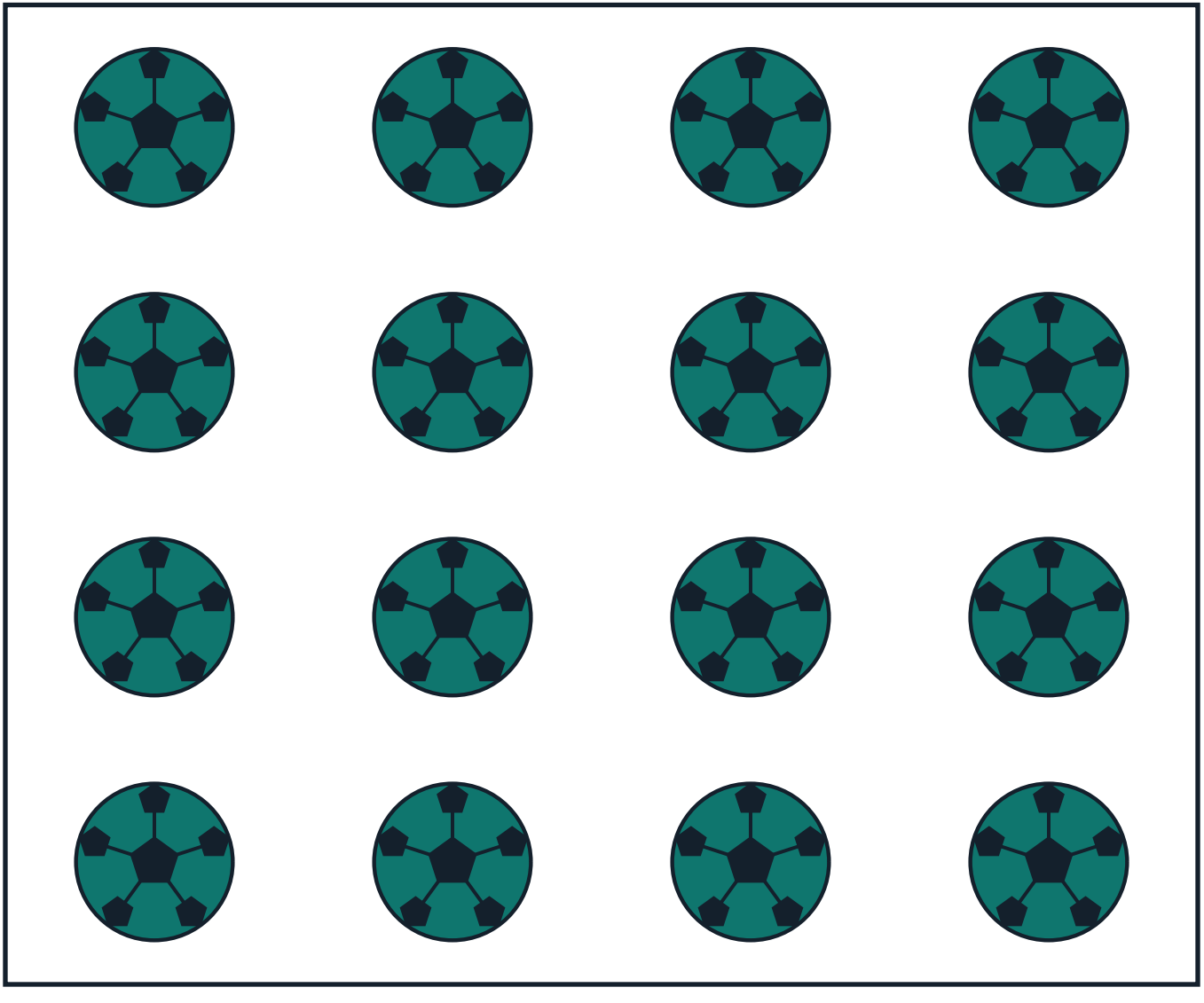
*Draw and colour a badge for your own team.*

# The Gear Parade

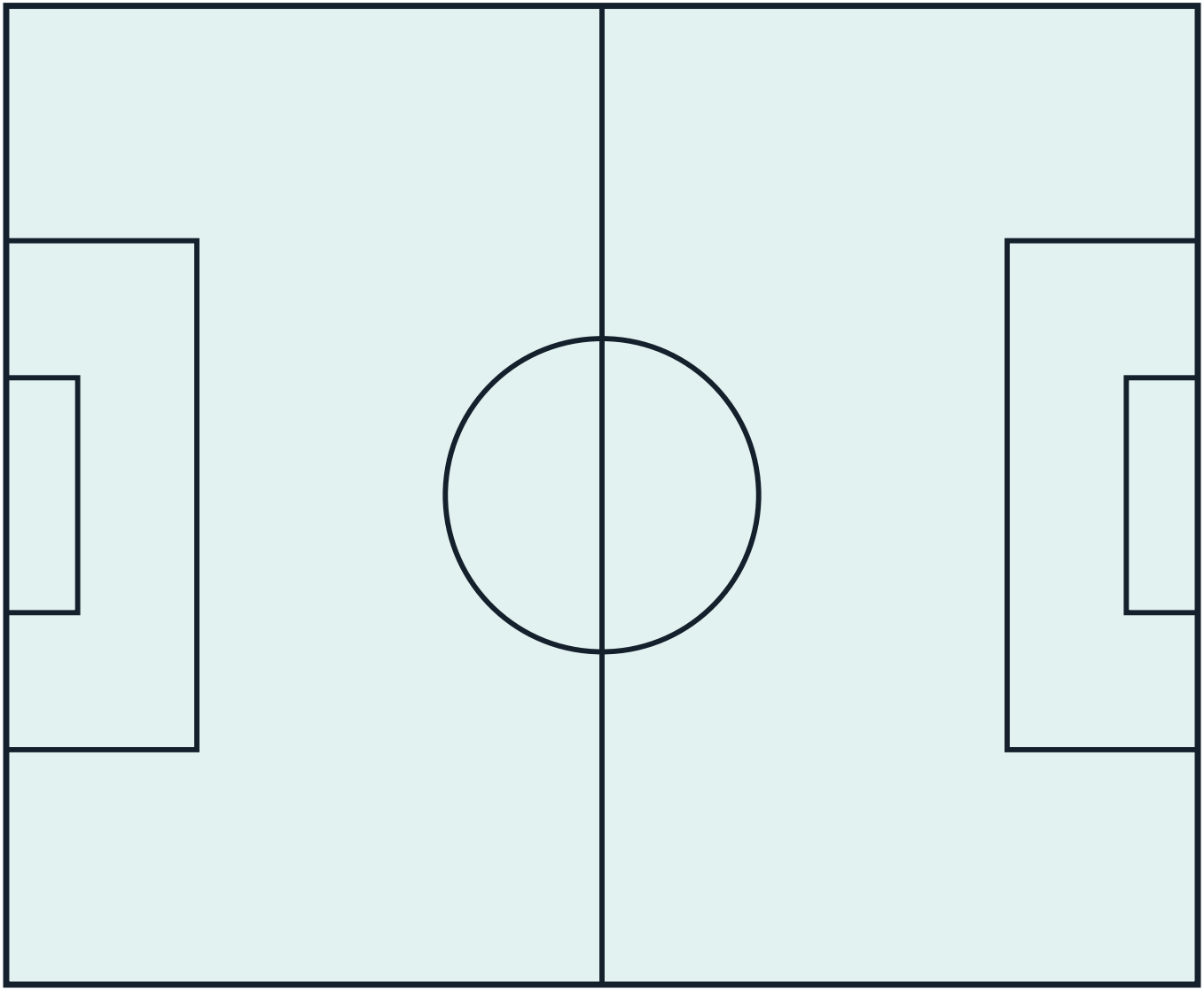




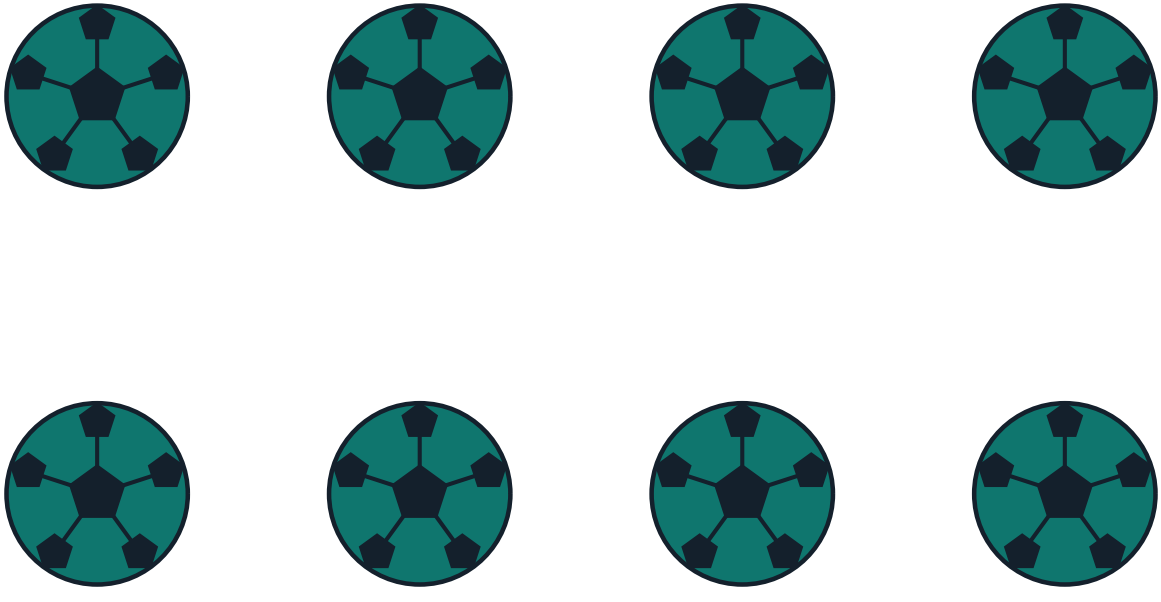
# Pattern Play



# The Arena From Above



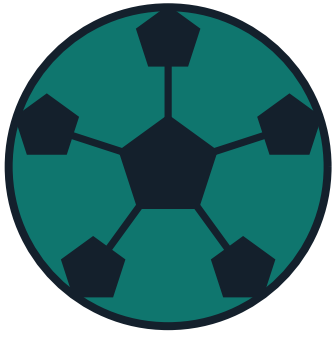
# Count the Balls!



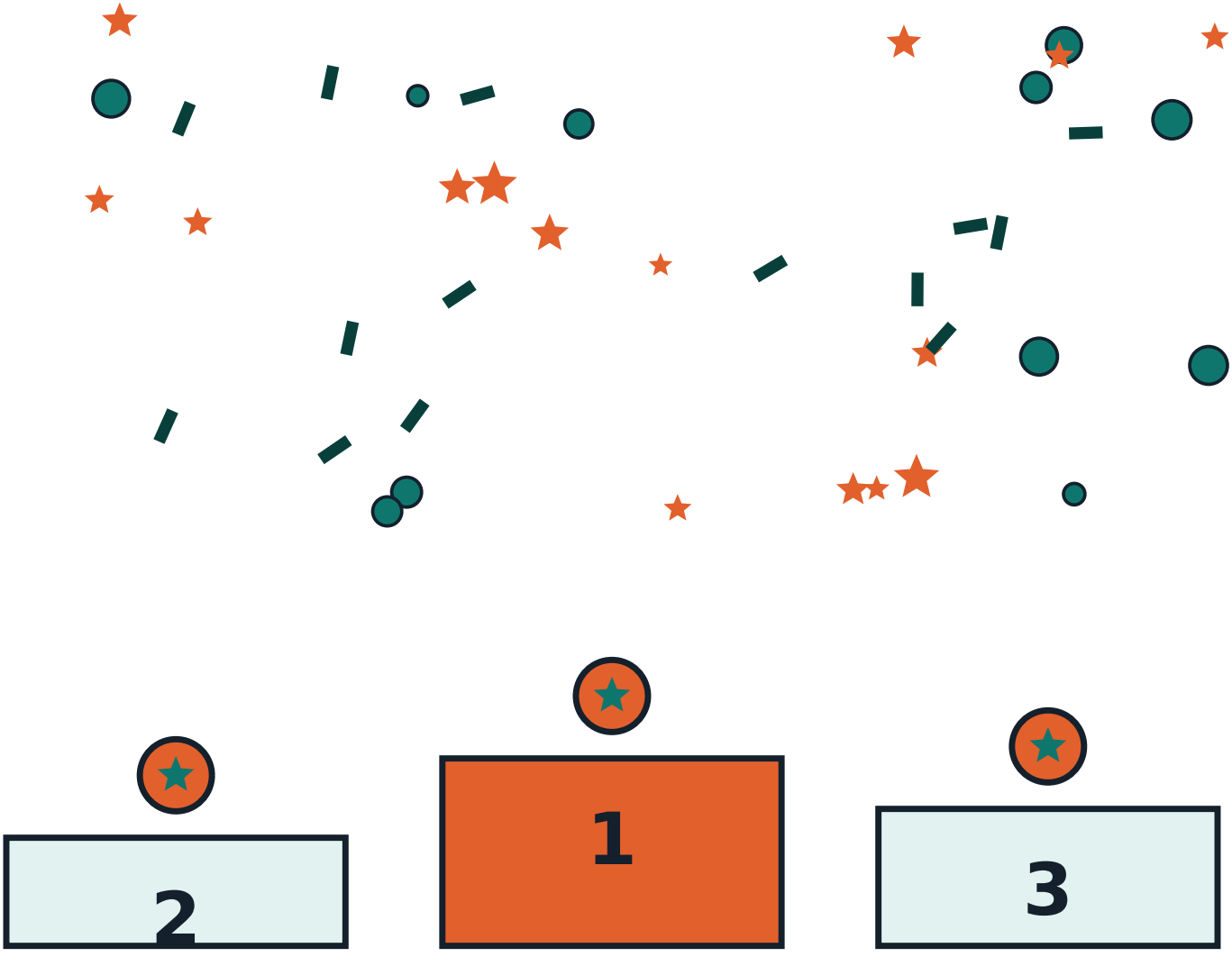
*How many can you count? Write the number here: _____*

# My Favourite Part of Banana Ball

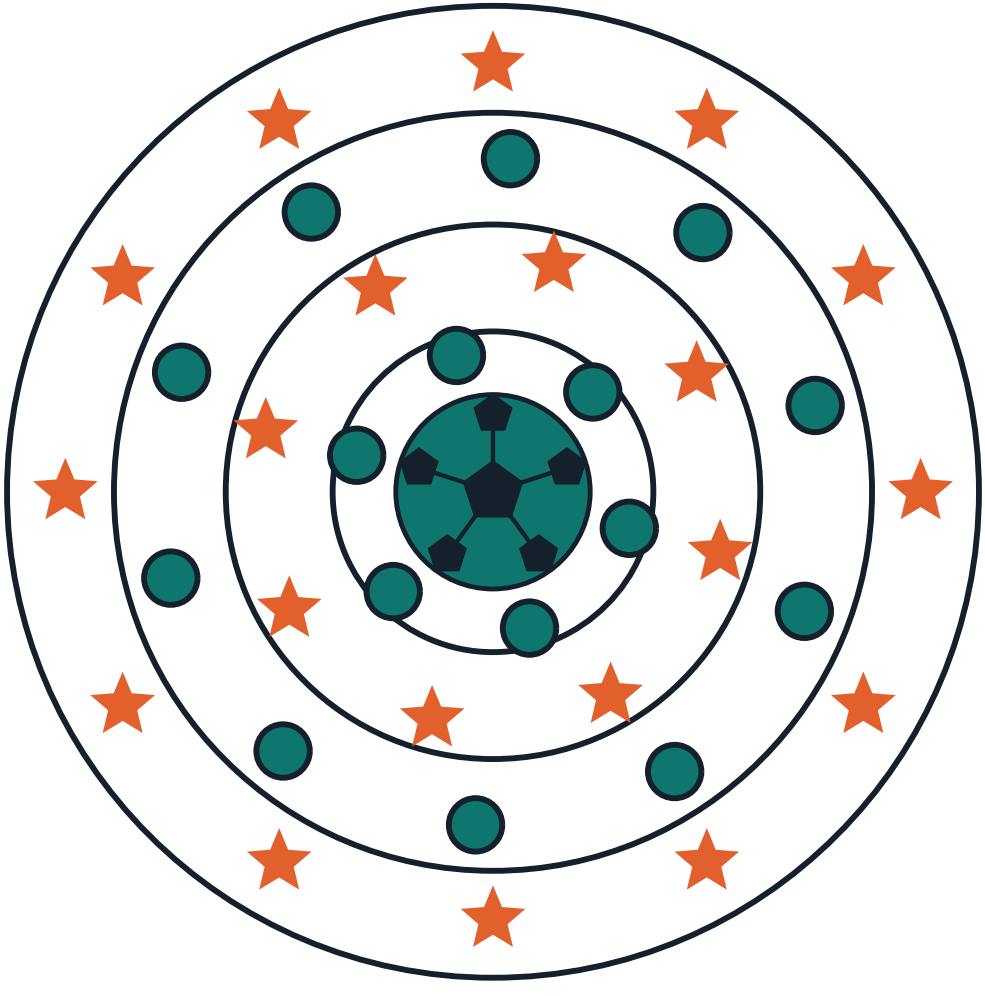
# Gear Close-Up



# Champions!



# The Mandala of the Game



# About This Book

Rule-change history: Savannah Bananas / Banana Ball Championship League published rules (the 11 rules); contemporary coverage of the format's development 2020–2023.. Everything in this book comes from Sport on Earth's own verified sport files — the same words you can read on the sport's page at Sport on Earth. The illustrations are original artwork drawn by computer for this book series. They are not pictures of real players, real teams or anybody else's characters.

# More Books in the Family

- The Cartoon Book of SlamBall
- The Cartoon Book of BIG3
- The Cartoon Book of Unrivaled
- The Cartoon Book of The Hundred
- The SlamBall Colouring Book
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# My Notes

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