THE CARTOON BOOK OF

BANDY



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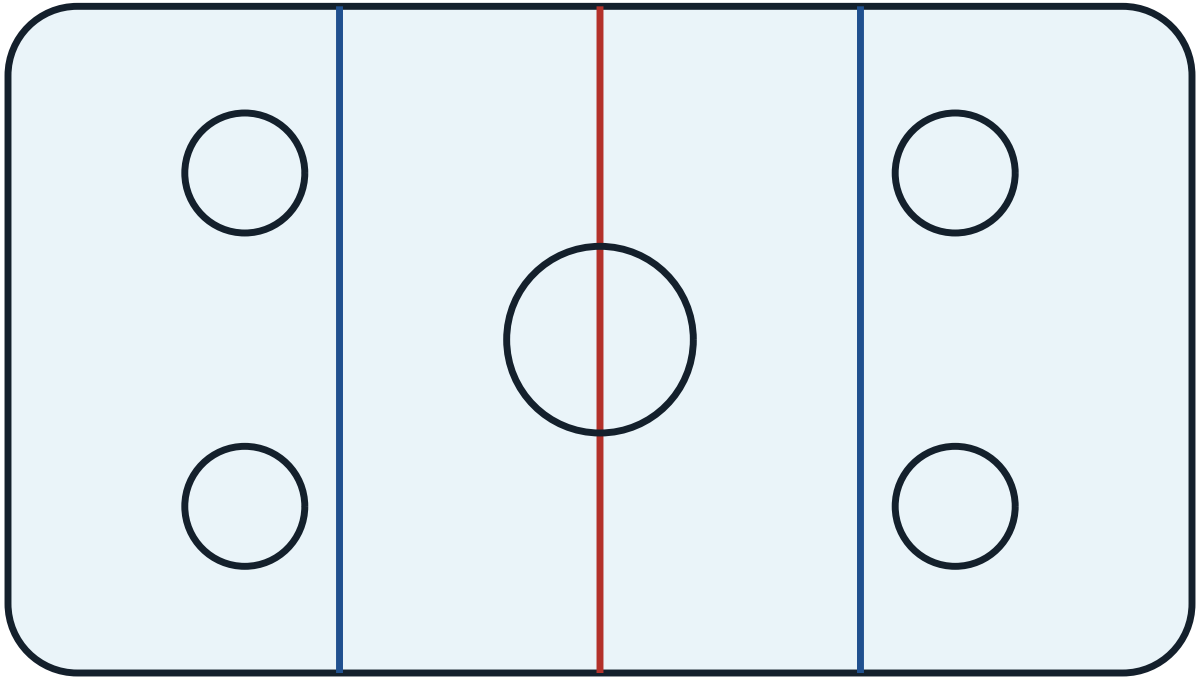
Meet Bandy!

Hockey on a football-sized ice field, big in Sweden and Russia.



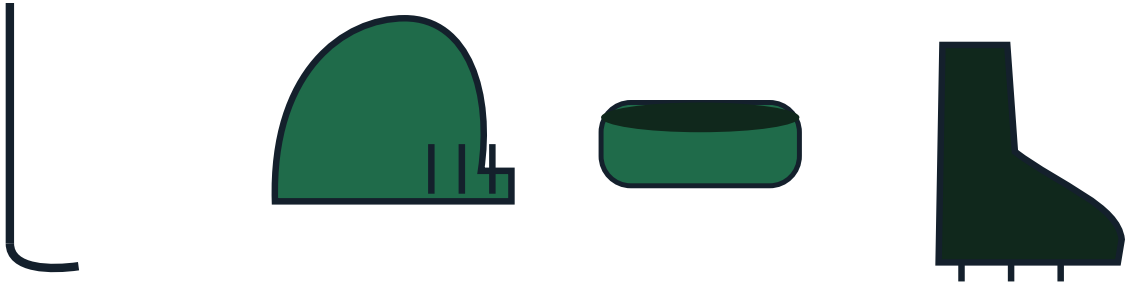
Where It Is Played

Ice rink 100-110 m by 60-65 m, with a 15 cm border along the sidelines, centre and goal markings as set out in Rule 1.



The Gear

Ice skates, bandy stick, ball, helmet and protective clothing; goalkeeper plays without a stick.



How It Starts

Join a bandy or ice hockey club with skates and a stick, learn to skate and control the ball at low speed, then play rink bandy on a smaller rink first.



How to Play

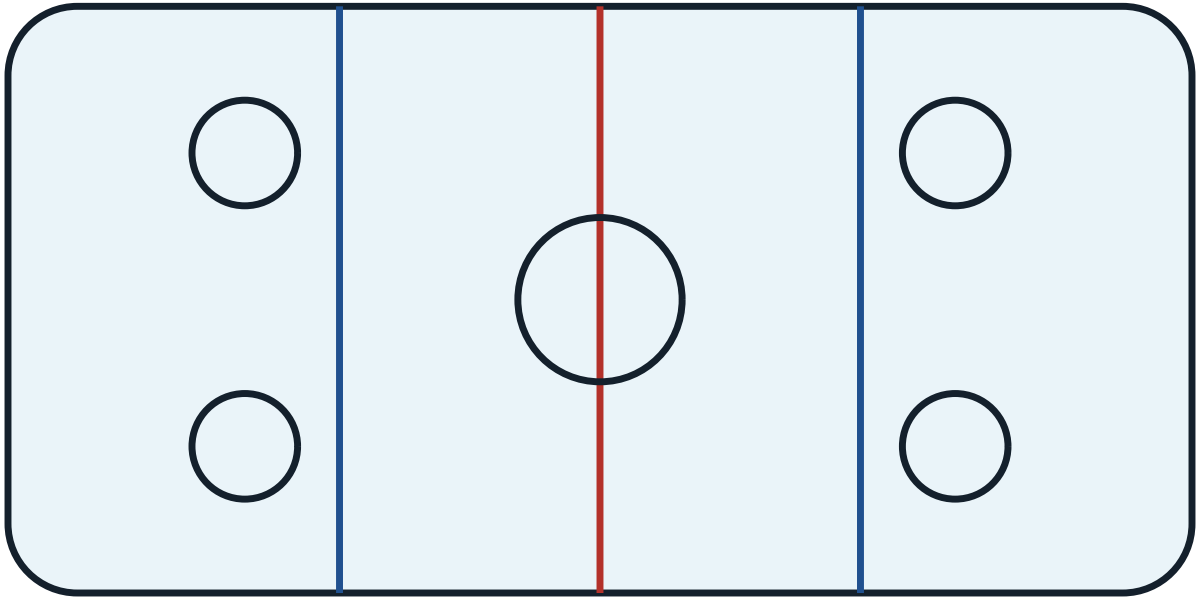
- Format: two teams play on an ice rink, using sticks to move a ball and score in the opposing goal.
- The rink must be rectangular, 100-110 m long and 60-65 m wide in the September 2019 rules.
- The team scoring more approved goals wins; a goal is approved under Rule 9, including a shot deflecting off a teammate's skates or body unless that teammate actively directs it.
- Players may hit, stop, direct or carry the ball with the stick, with the stick contact point no higher than shoulder height.
- Players may direct the ball with skates or body, but not with hand, arm or head, and must then continue with the stick.

More of the Game

- The goalkeeper plays without a stick, a feature retained from the English rules when FIB unified the game in 1955.
- An offside rule applies (Rule 11), retained from the Soviet rule book at unification.
- Infringements are punished with free strokes (Rules 12-13) and penalty shots (Rules 14-15) for more serious offences in the penalty area.
- In World Championships Men Senior, World Cup and European Cup matches a match squad totals 17 players, with substitutes as set out in Rule 3.

The Shape of a Match

An 11-a-side style ice team game in two halves: skate, pass and shoot a small ball with curved sticks into the other team's goal.



More of the Ball & goal Family

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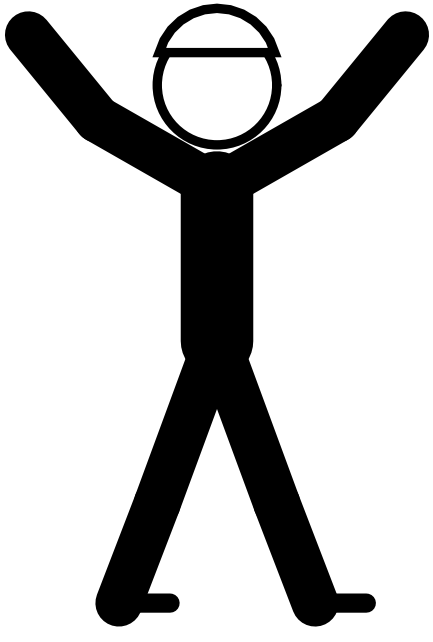
- Canadian Football — Twelve-a-side gridiron game with three downs, run by the CFL.

A Note on the Rules

Bandy is governed by the Federation of International Bandy (FIB) under a code closely related to its 19th-century English and Russian roots: eleven-a-side on a football-sized ice rink, with a ball, offside, and penalties recognisably descended from football. The code has been essentially stable through the modern era (its recent history is about recognition and Olympic campaigns, not law changes). No major documented rule change is carried for bandy.



Colour the Action



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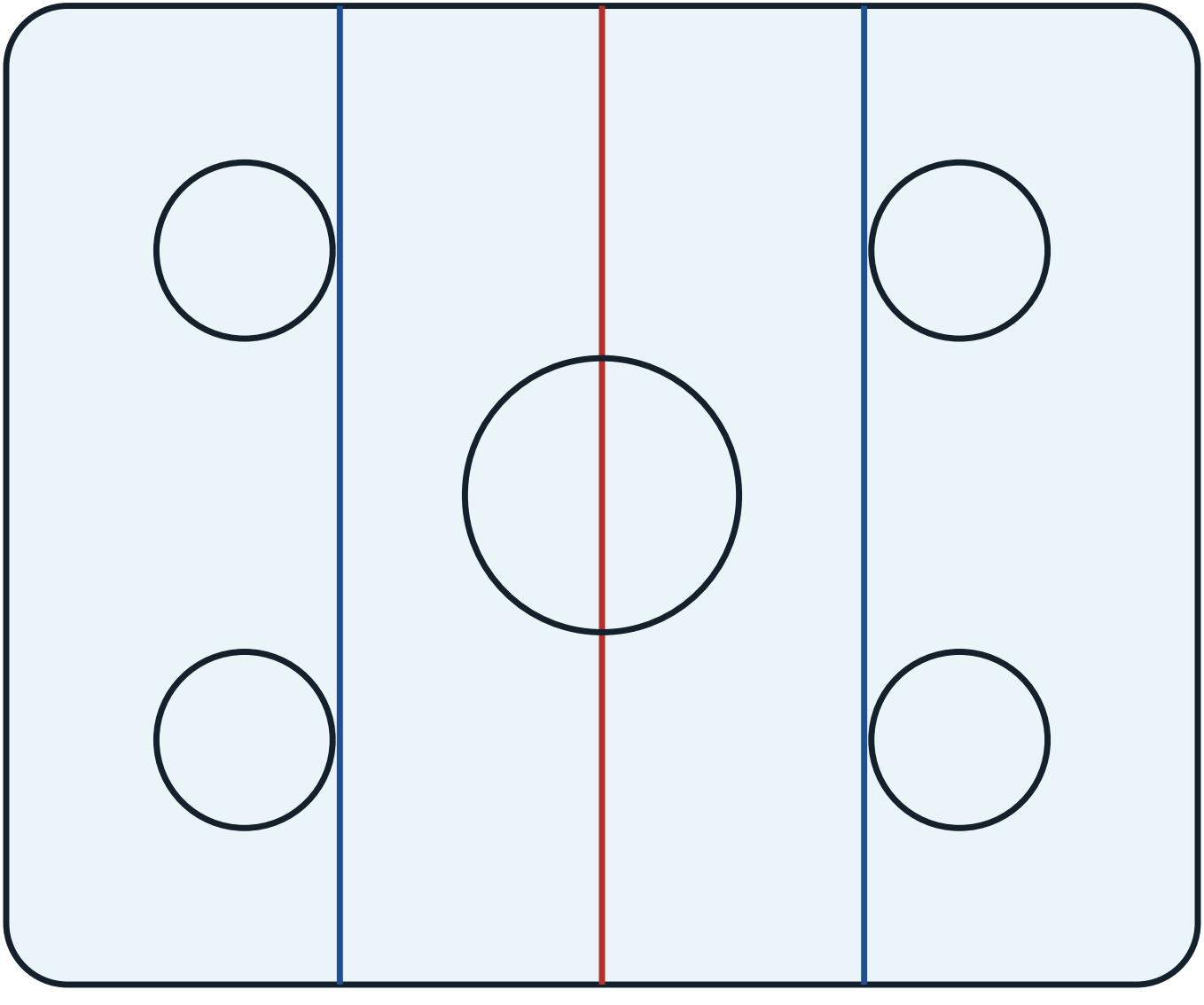
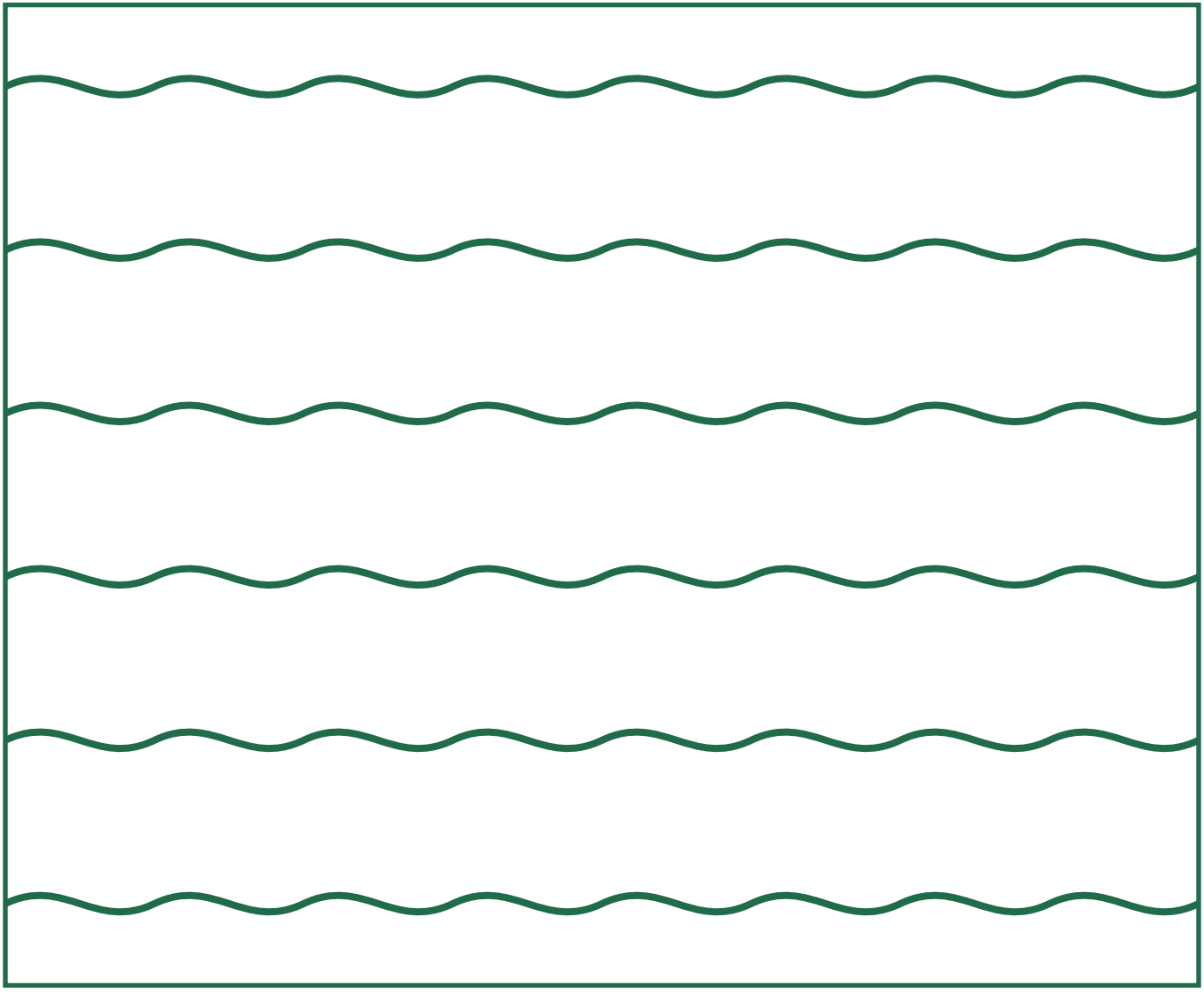


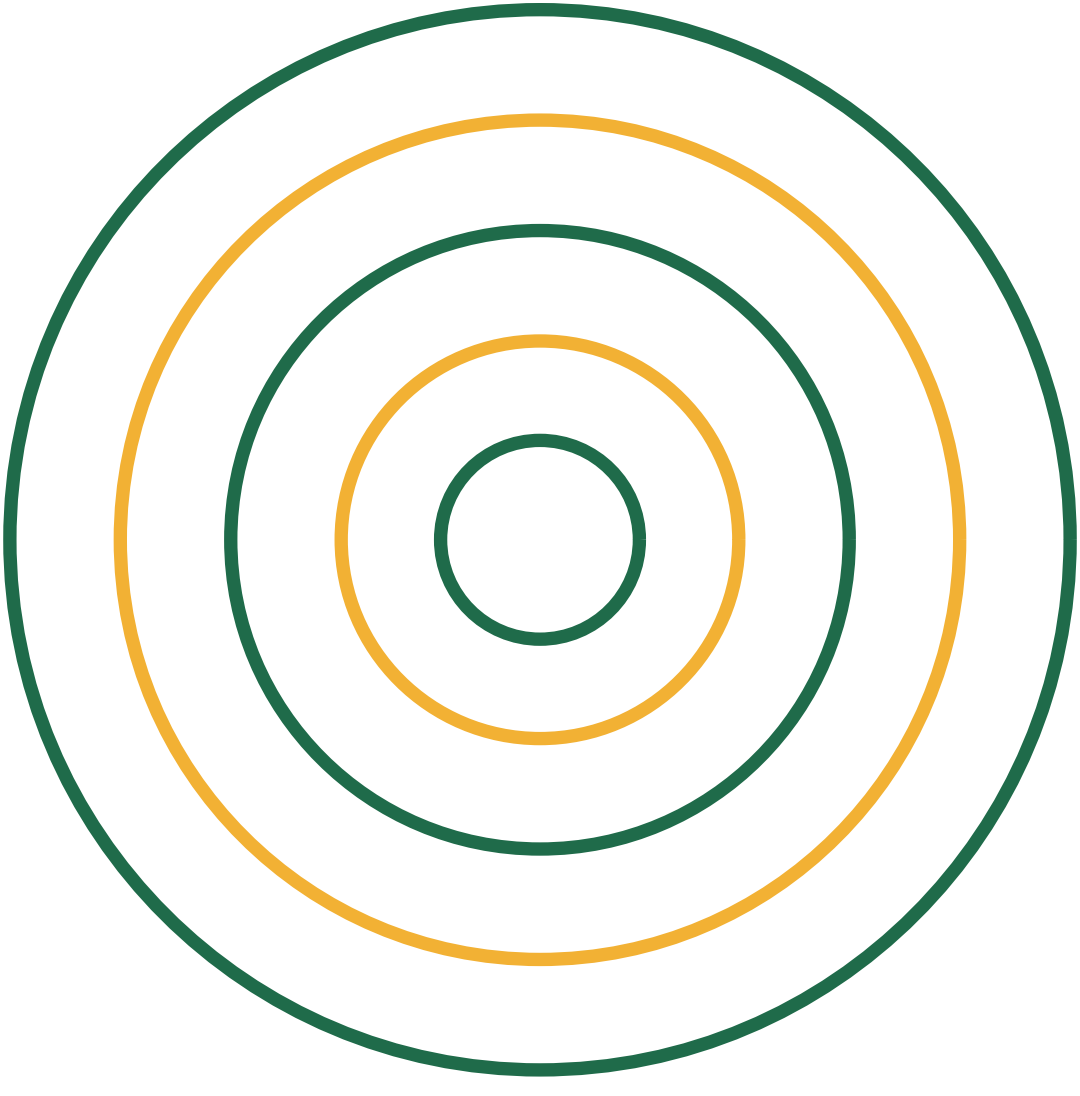
At School and College



Play It Near You



Through the Year



The Ball & goal 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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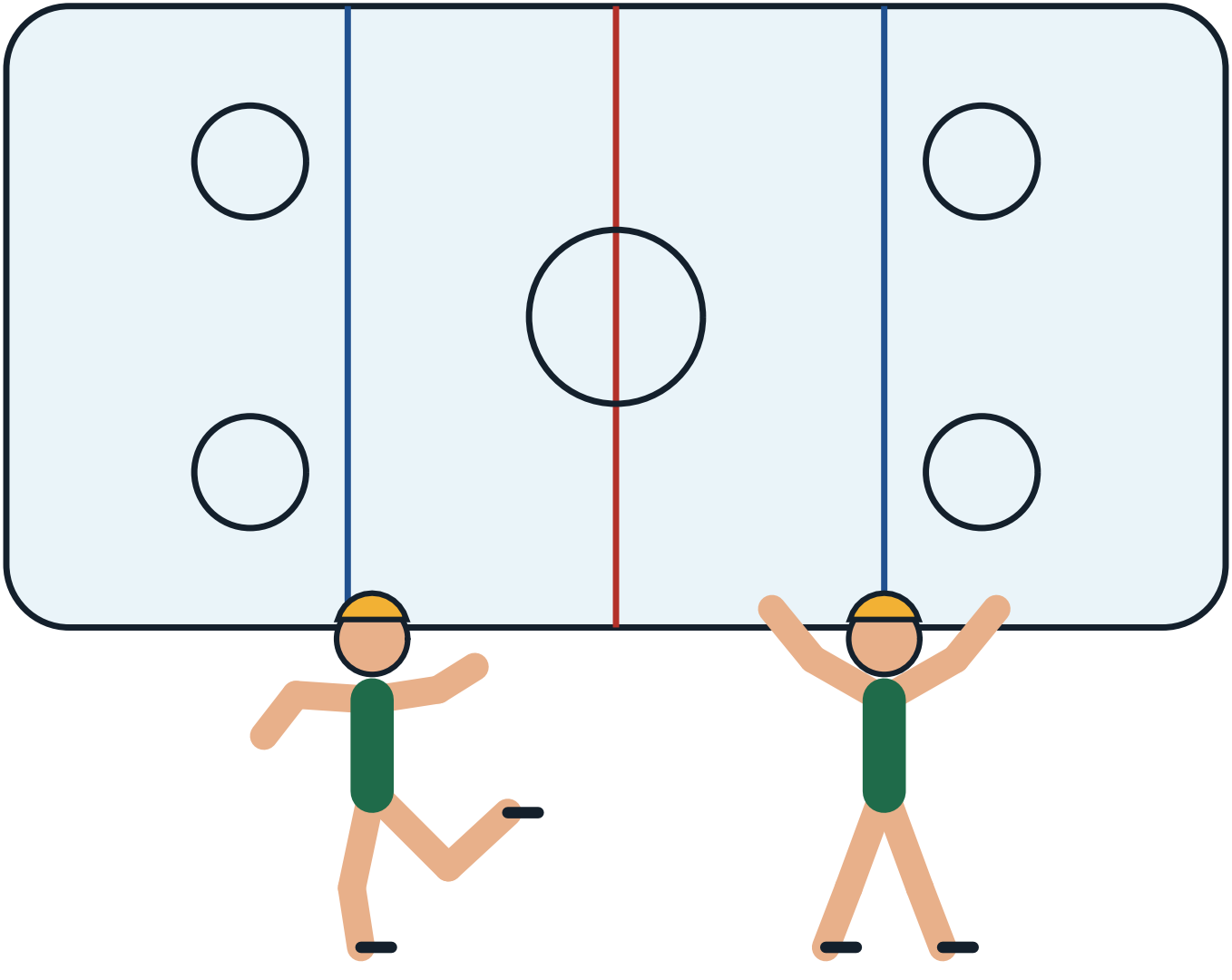
Game Day!



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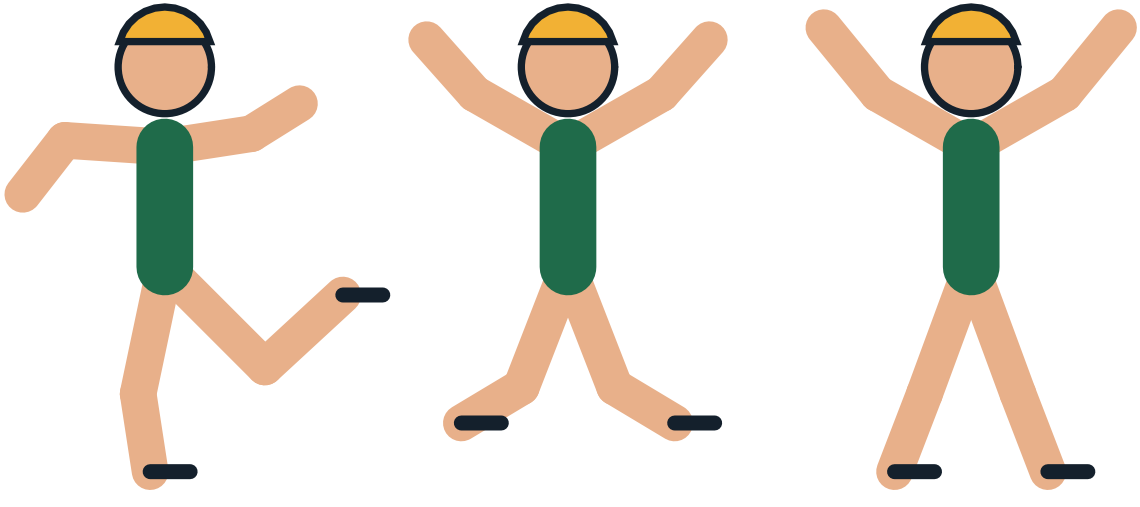
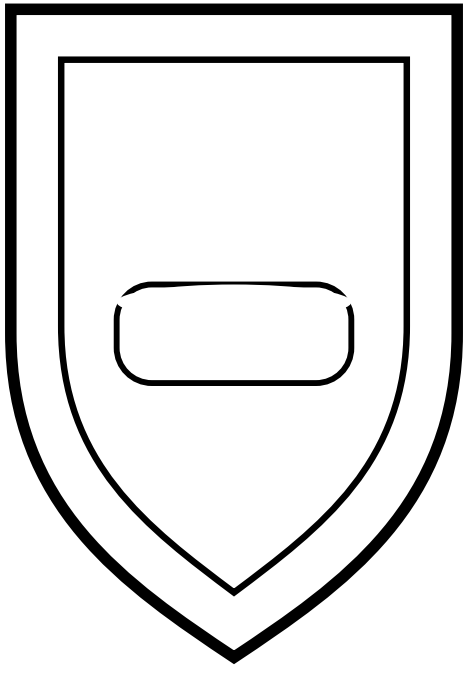
Moves of the Game

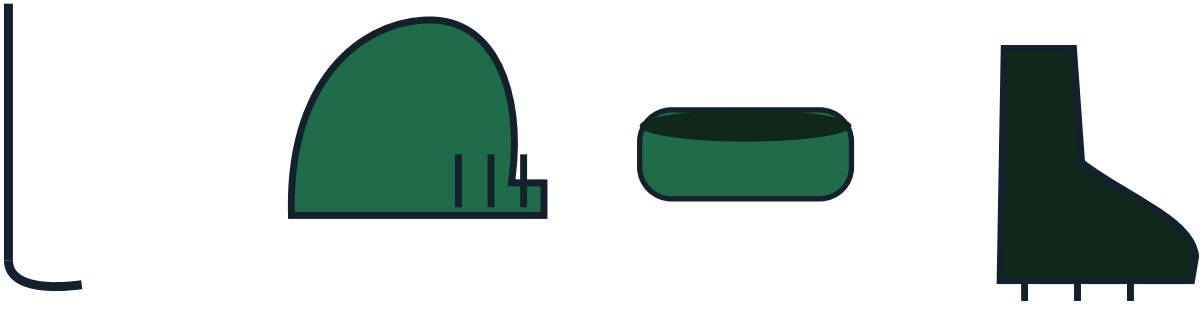


Design a Badge

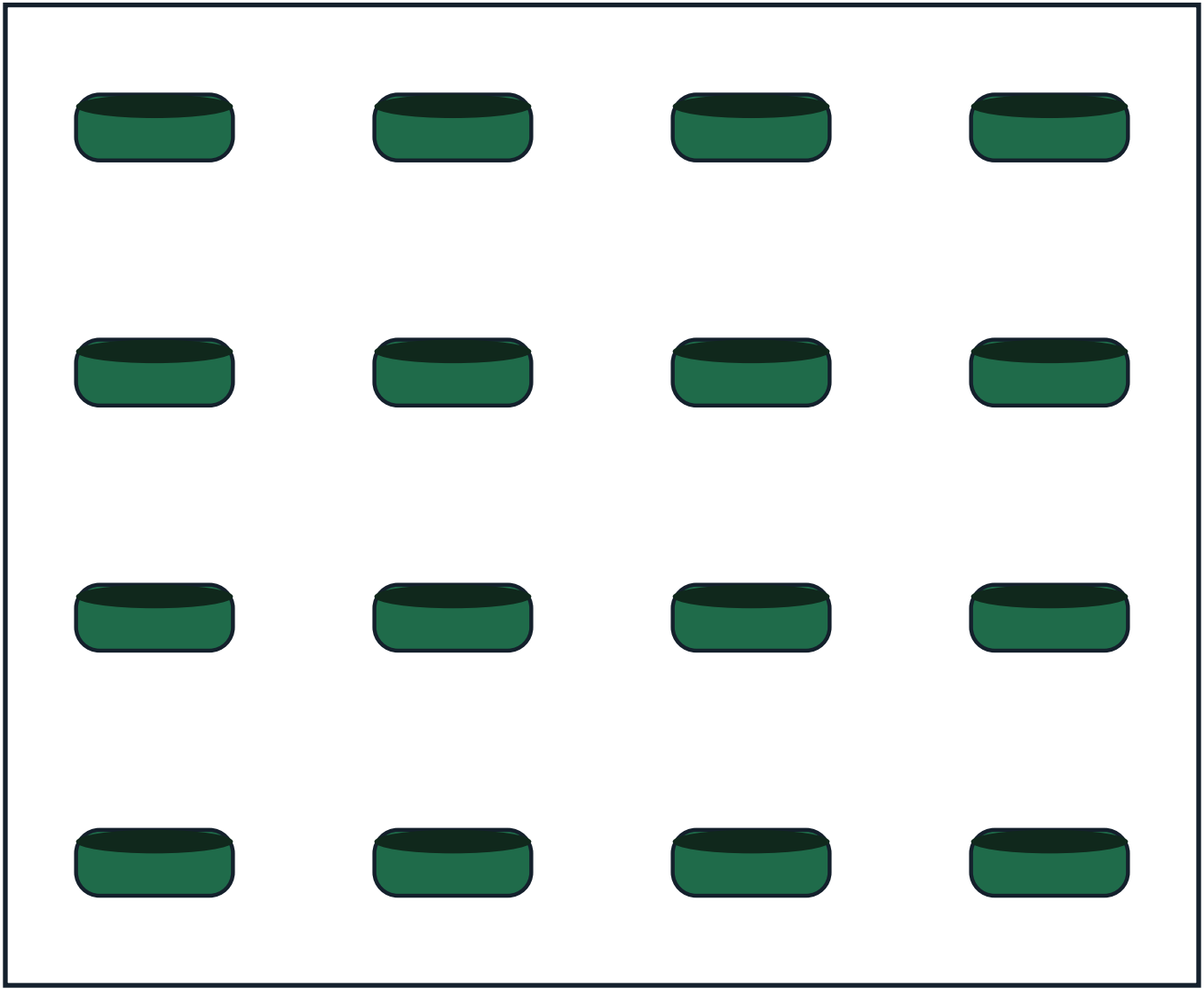


Draw and colour a badge for your own team.

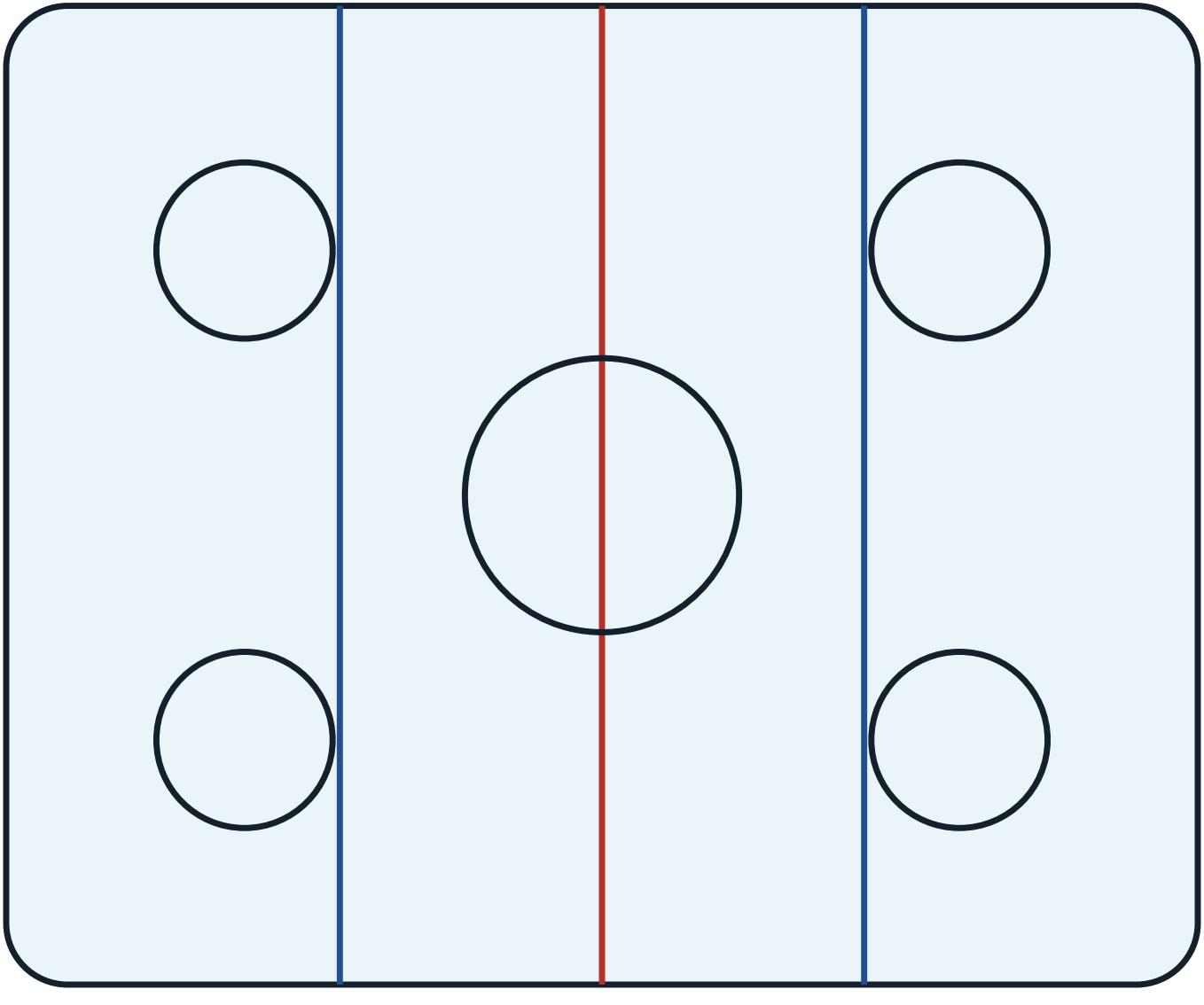
The Gear Parade



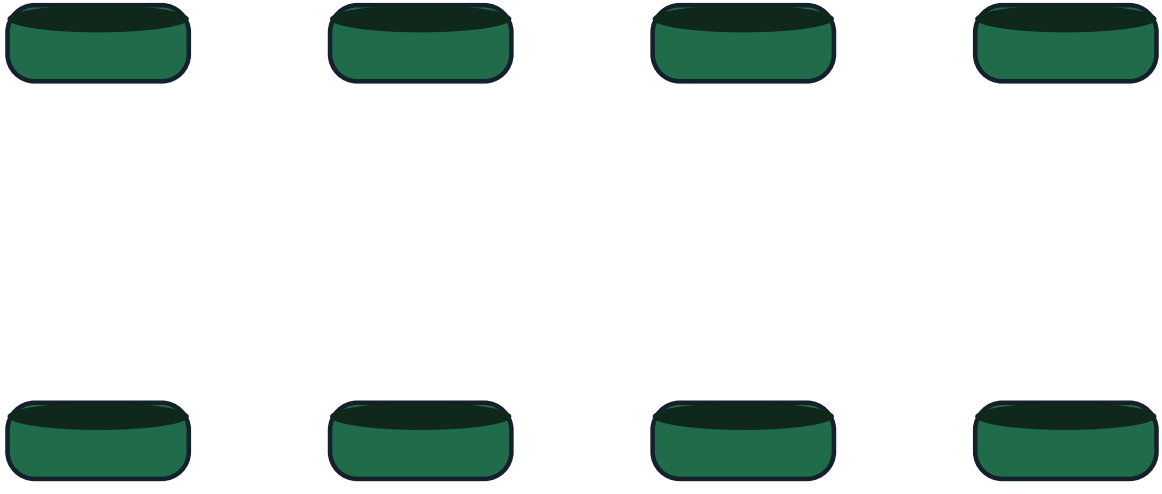
Pattern Play



The Arena From Above



Count the Balls!



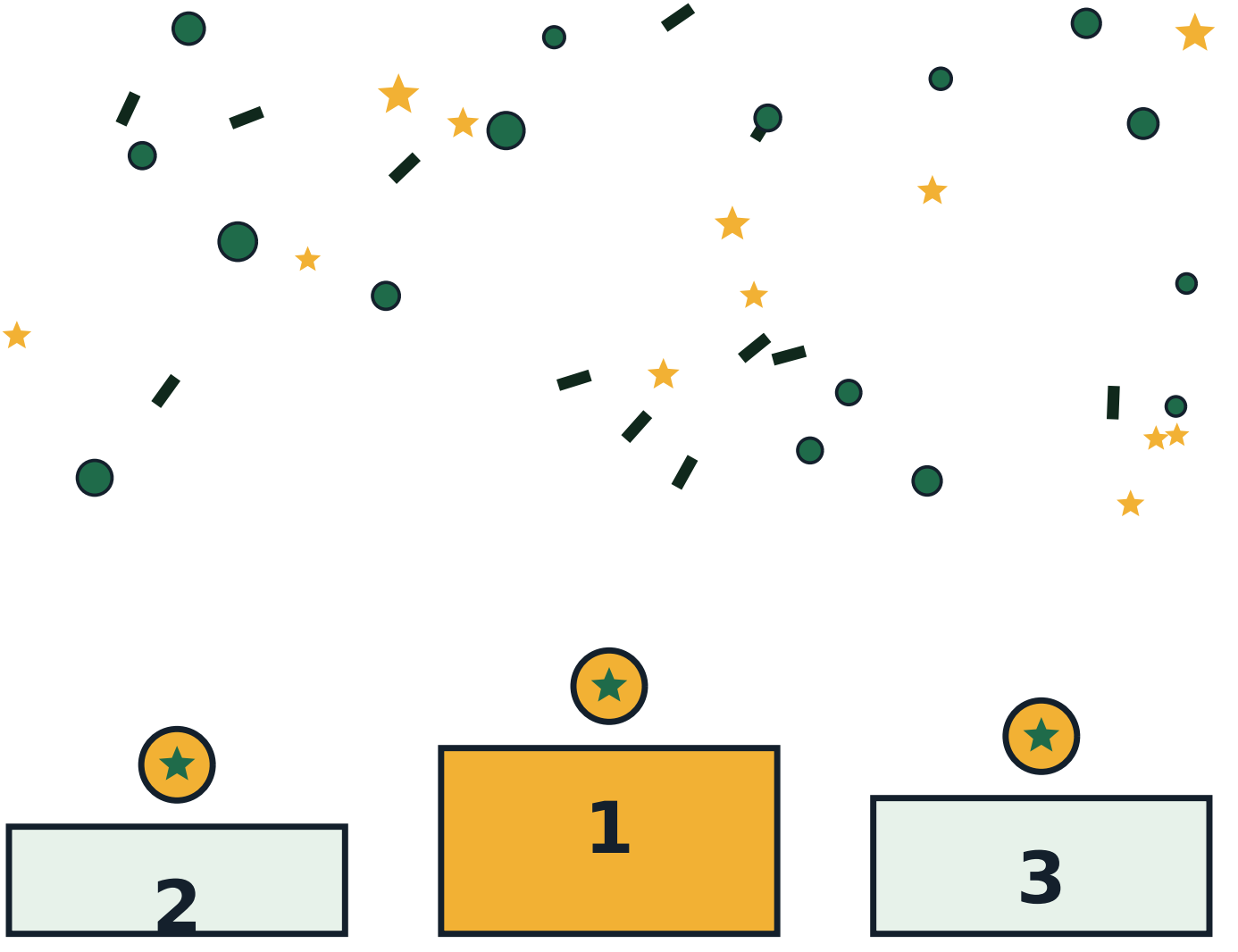
How many can you count? Write the number here: _____

My Favourite Part of Bandy

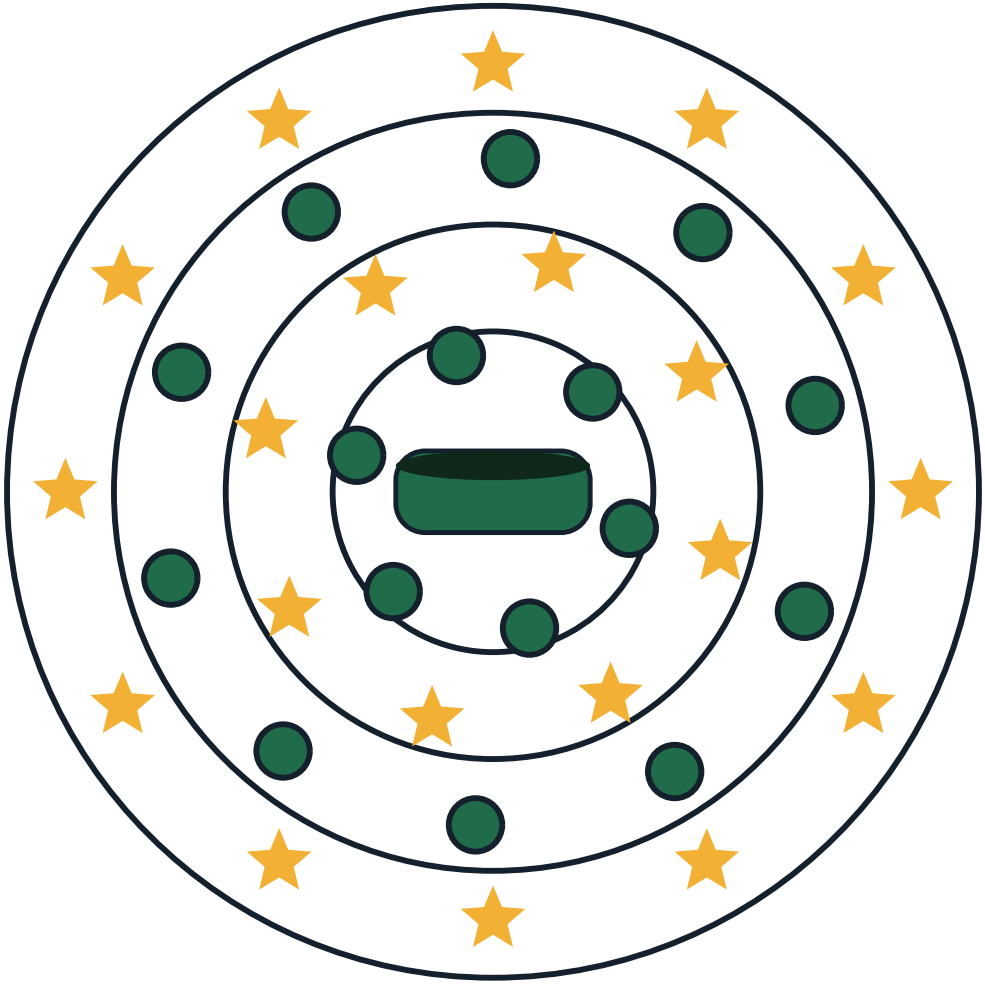
Gear Close-Up



Champions!



The Mandala of the Game



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