THE CARTOON BOOK OF

QUADBALL



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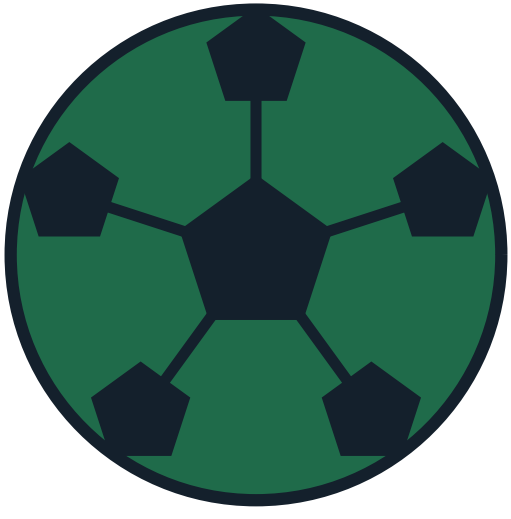
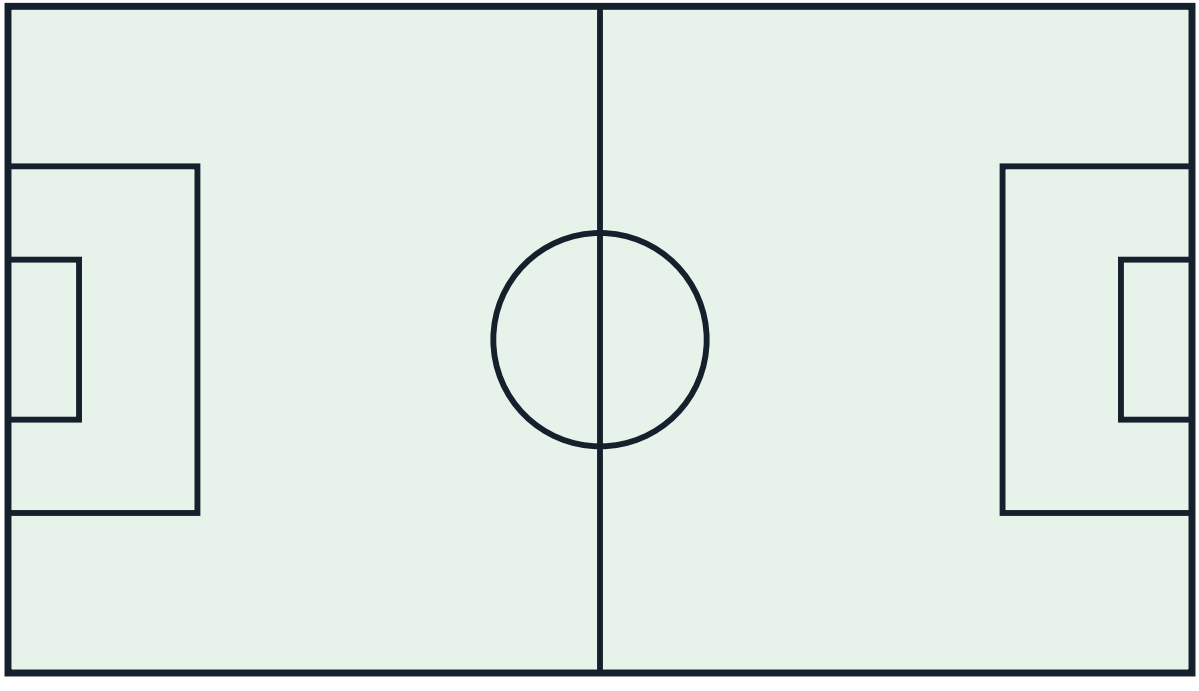
Meet Quadball!

Full-contact mixed-gender sport formerly called Quidditch.



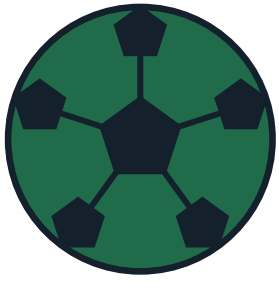
Where It Is Played

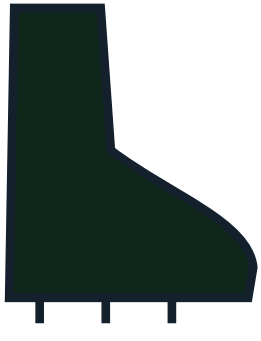
A rectangular pitch 60 m long by 33 m wide, with keeper zone lines 11 m either side of midfield and goal lines 16.5 m either side of midfield.



The Gear

One volleyball, three dodgeballs, a flag (tennis ball in a sleeve) worn by a neutral flag runner, a stick per player, positional headbands and three hoops per end.







How It Starts

Assemble seven per side with headbands and sticks, line the balls up at midfield, and start on the referee's 'brooms up' call by racing for possession.



How to Play

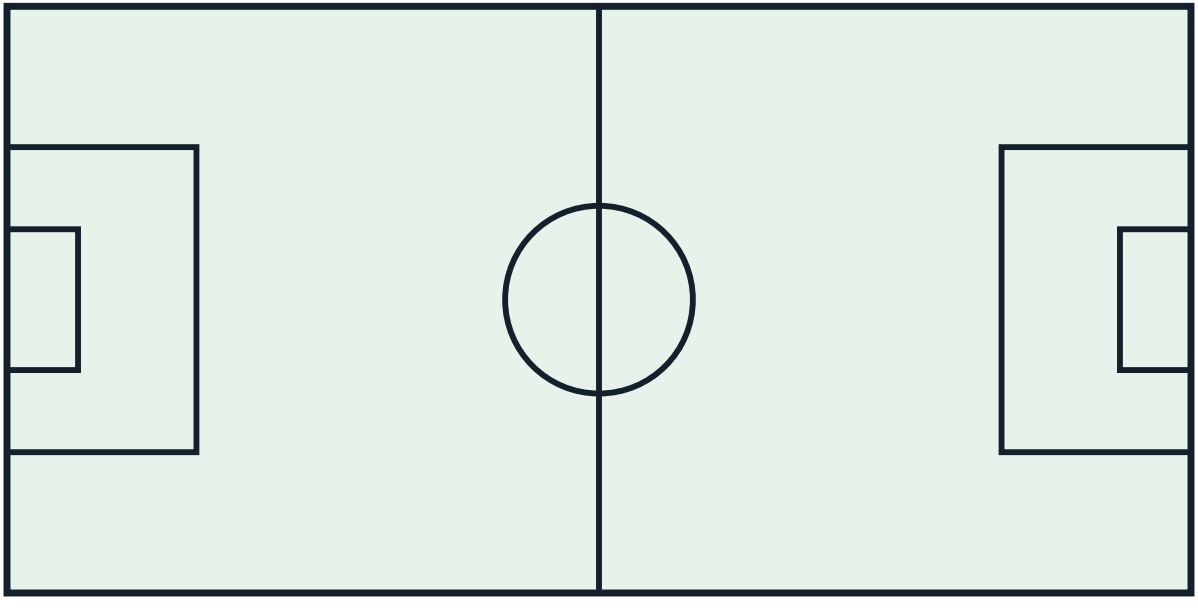
- A team roster is between seven and 21 players, with seven players per team on the pitch at a time and a legal set of seven required before overtime.
- On-pitch positions are four chasers (one of them the keeper, in a green headband; the others in white), two beaters and, after the seeker floor, one seeker.
- Every player in play must be mounted on a stick — a rigid plastic pole 98-102 cm long straddled between the legs — at all times.
- Ten points are scored when the volleyball passes entirely through any of the opponents' three hoops, from either side.

More of the Game

- A confirmed flag catch by a seeker, detaching the flag ball from the neutral flag runner, scores 30 points and triggers the endgame or overtime procedure.
- Beaters throw dodgeballs (three in play); a player struck by a live dodgeball is knocked off stick, must drop any ball held and follow the back-to-hoops procedure before re-entering play.
- The gender maximum rule limits how many players identifying as the same gender a team may have in play at once, keeping the game mixed-gender.
- The pitch is a 60 x 33 metre rectangle, with three hoops on each goal line: short (89-93 cm), medium (135-139 cm) and tall (181-185 cm), the side hoops 2.75 m from the tall hoop.

The Shape of a Match

A mixed-gender full-contact game on sticks: chasers throw a volleyball through hoops for 10 points while beaters knock opponents off stick with dodgeballs, until a 30-point flag catch ends the game or forces overtime.



Moments That Shaped the Game

- 2022 (rename); snitch rules evolved 2005–2024 — From Quidditch to Quadball (and the Flying Snitch Retires): In July 2022 the US and major-league bodies renamed the sport QUADBALL (four balls in play: quaffle, two bludgers...

Rules That Changed the Game

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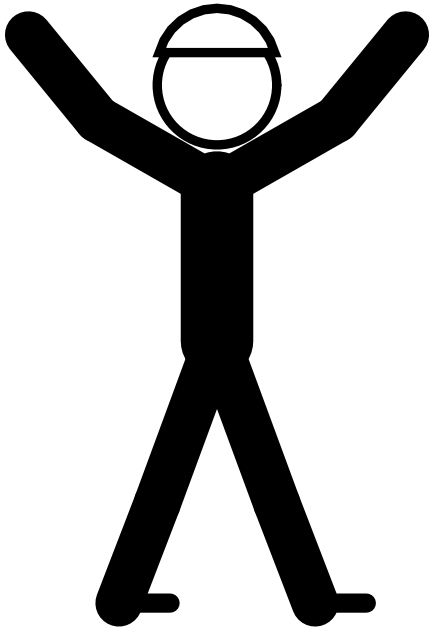
Colour the Action



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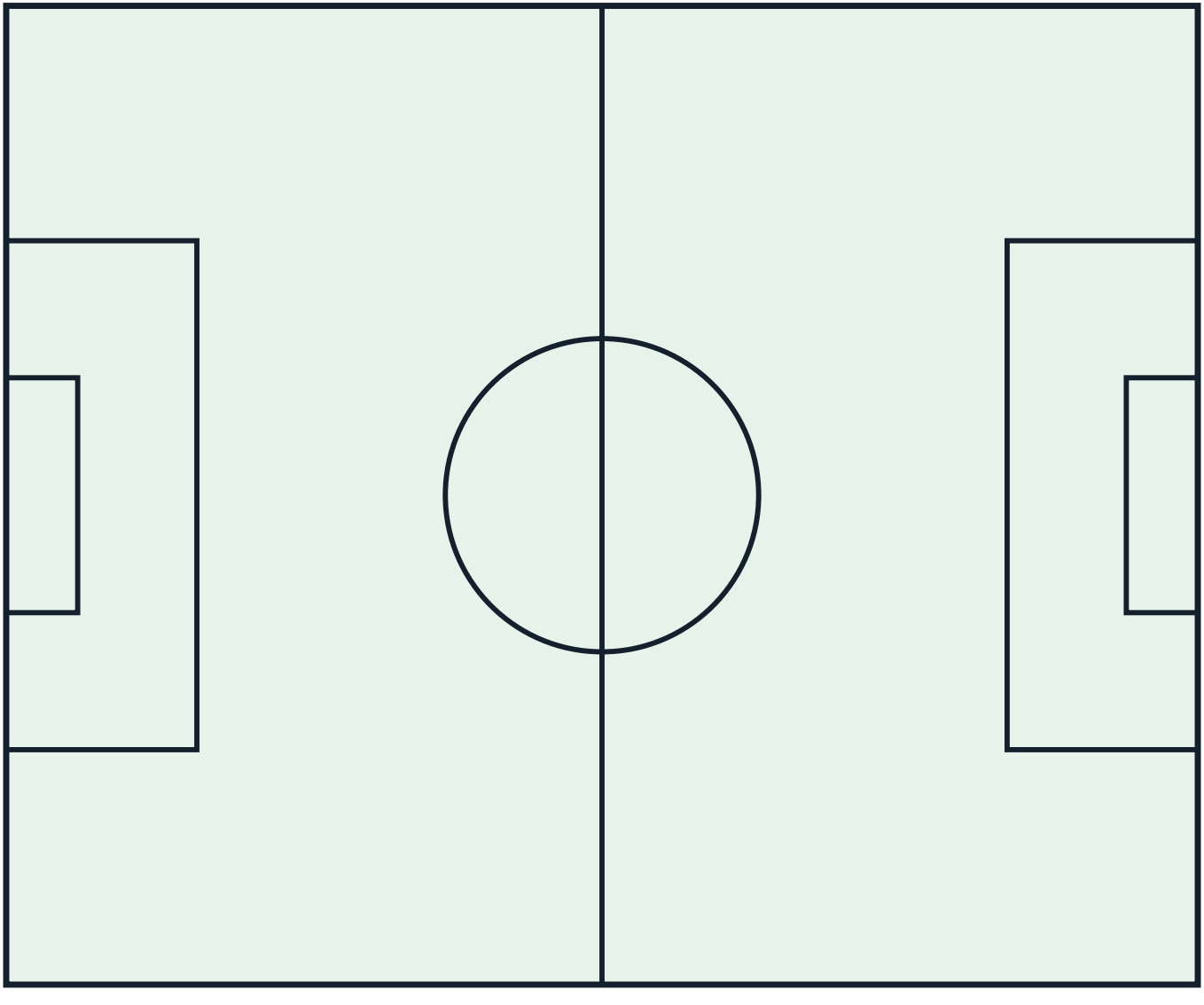
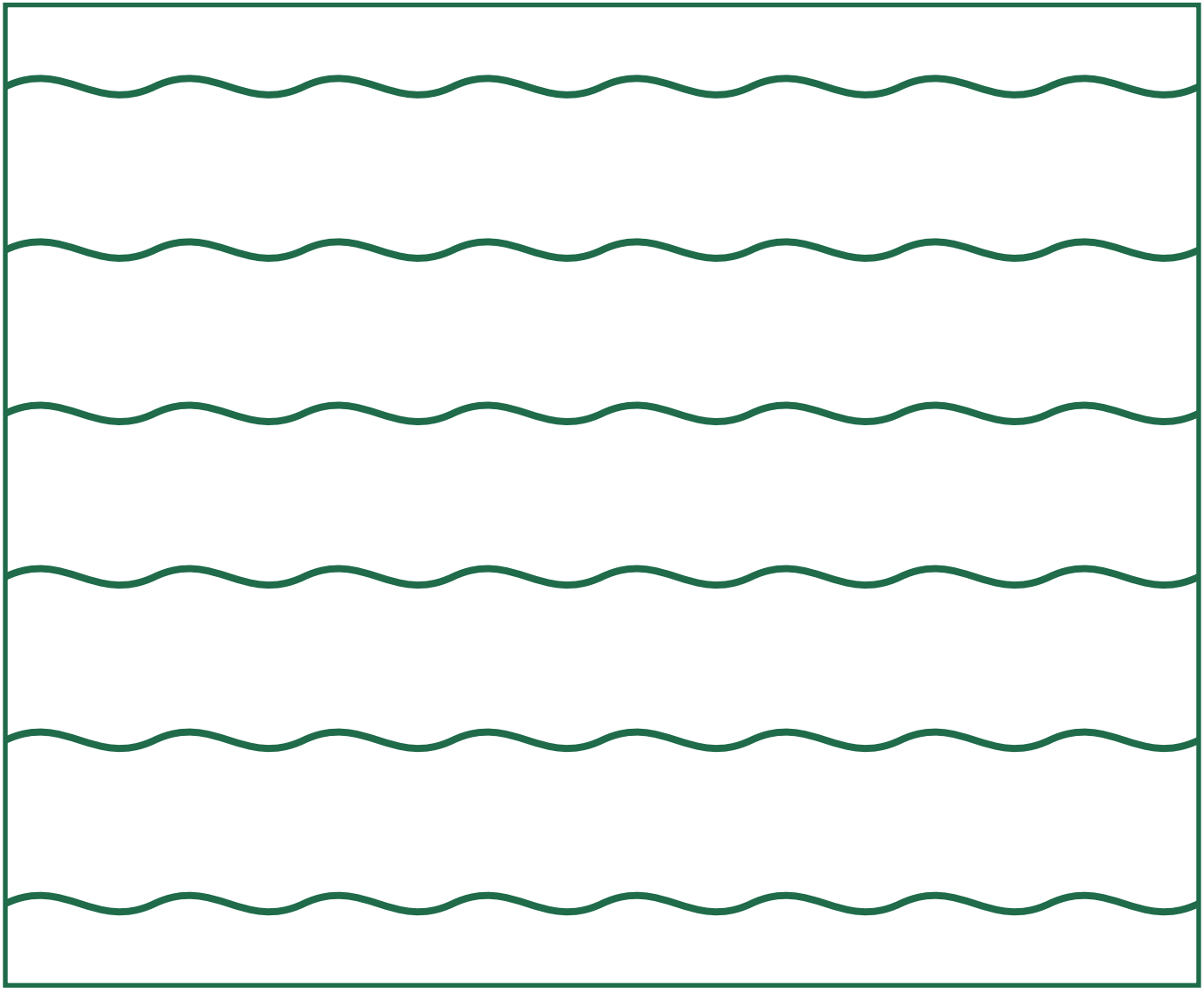


At School and College



Play It Near You



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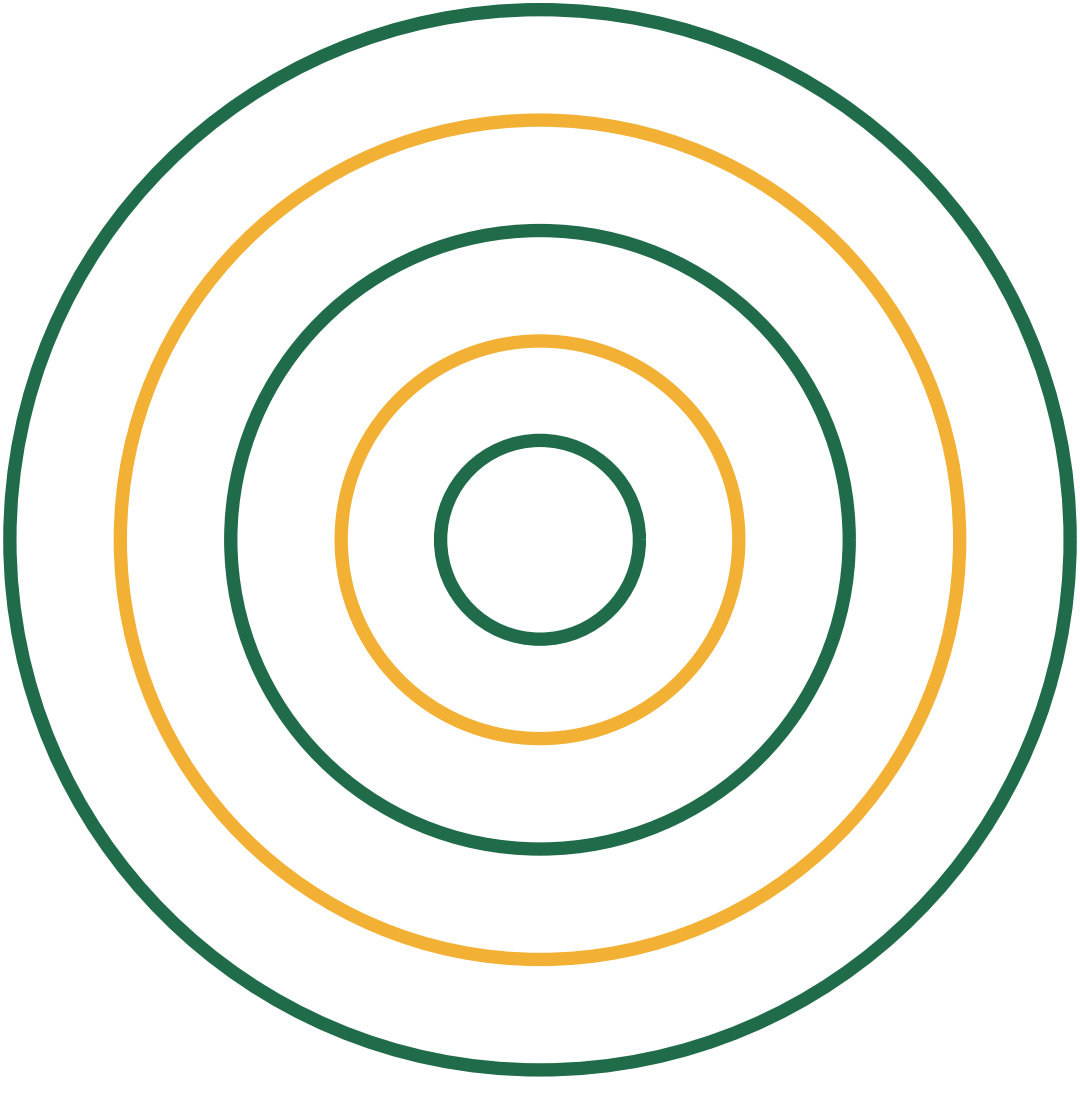
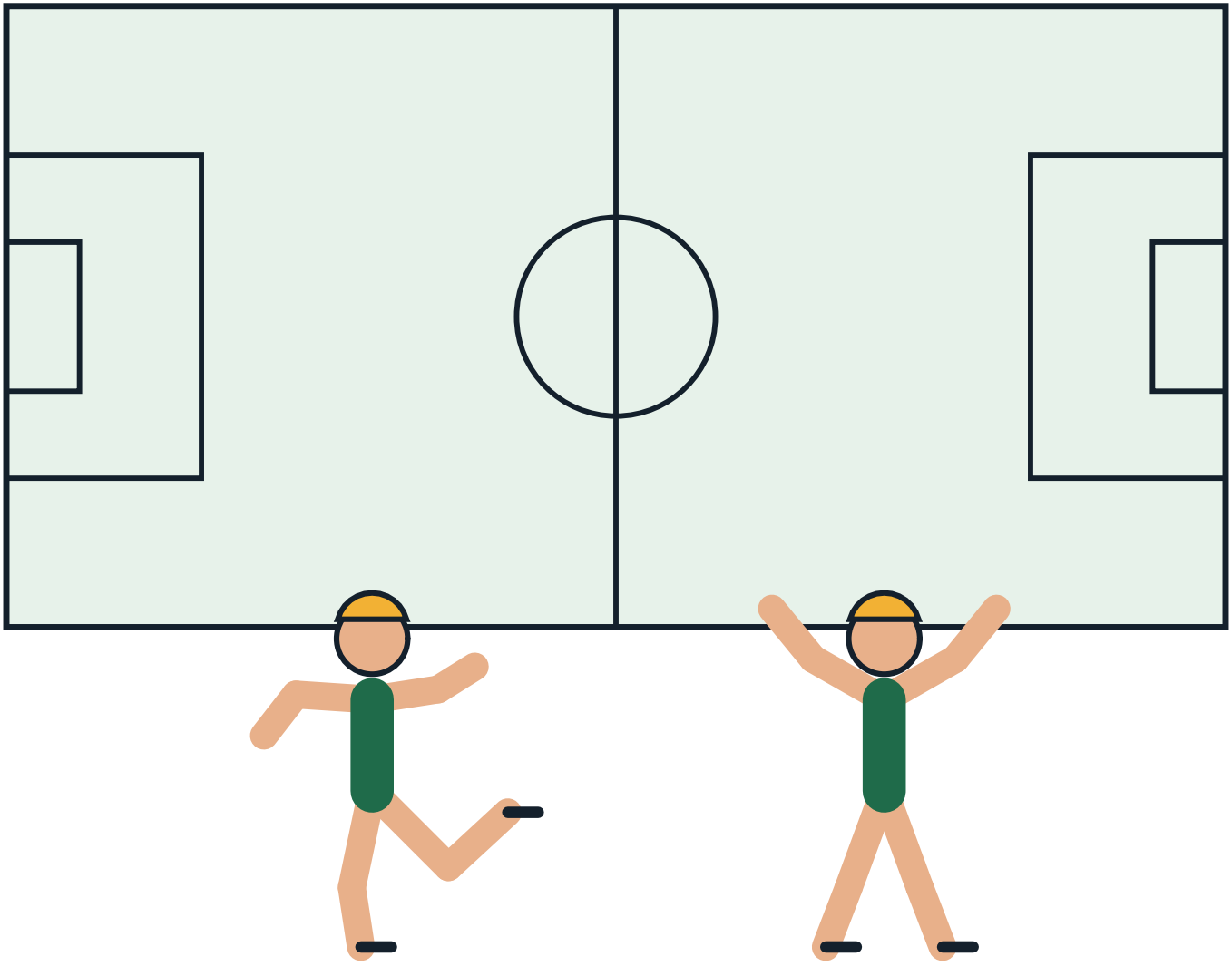


The Ball & goal Family

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.

- Football (Soccer) — Two teams of 11 try to score in the opposing goal, mostly without using hands.
- Rugby Union — Fifteen a side, full contact, with the ball passed backwards.
- Rugby League — Thirteen a side with six tackles per possession. A faster, more continuous game than union.
- American Football — Eleven a side; advance the ball 10 yards in four downs or score touchdowns and field goals.
- Australian Rules Football — Eighteen a side on a large oval. Kick or handball the ball and score goals (6 points) or…

Game Day!



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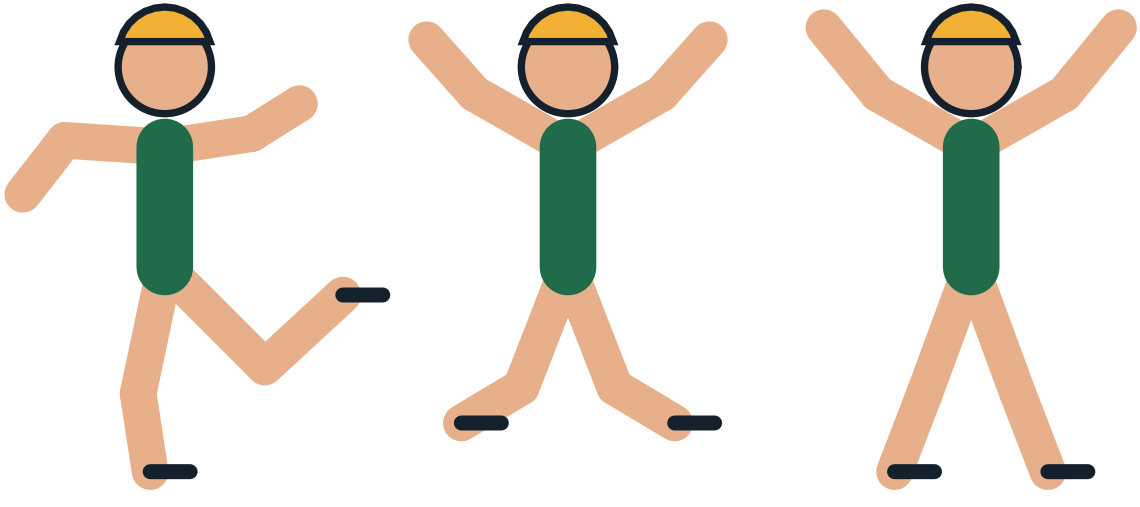
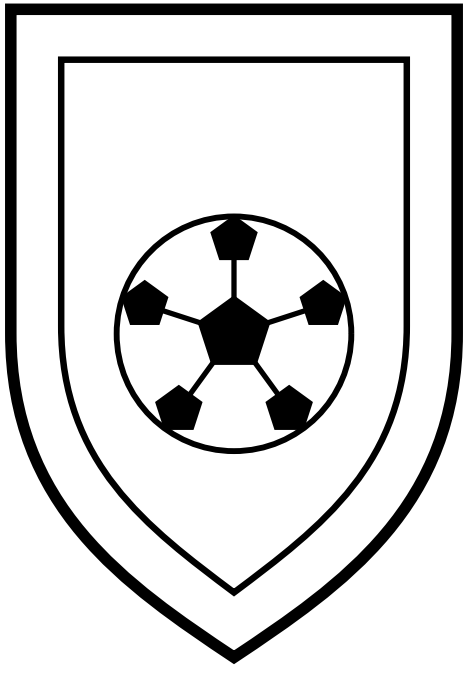
Moves of the Game



Design a Badge

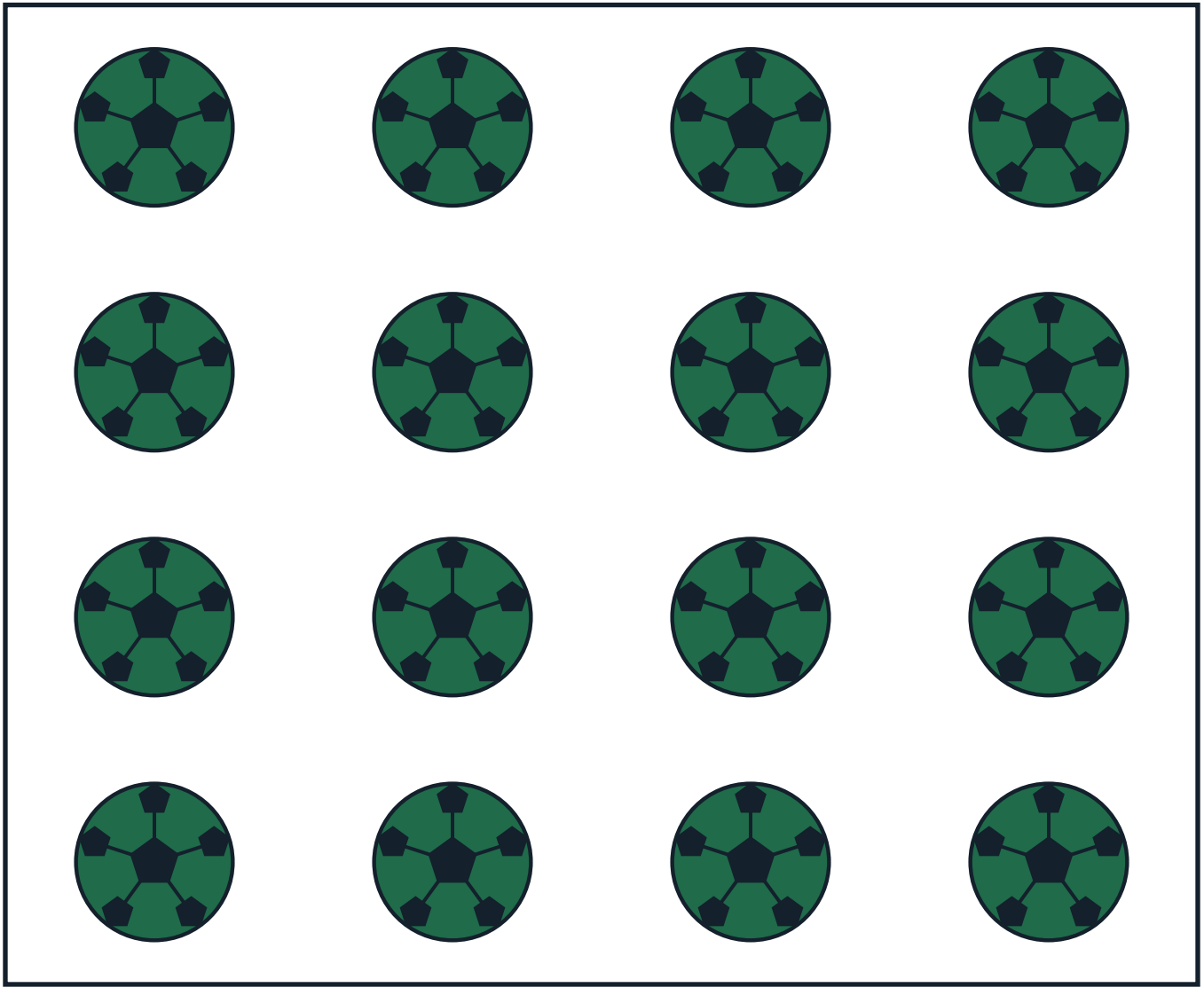


Draw and colour a badge for your own team.

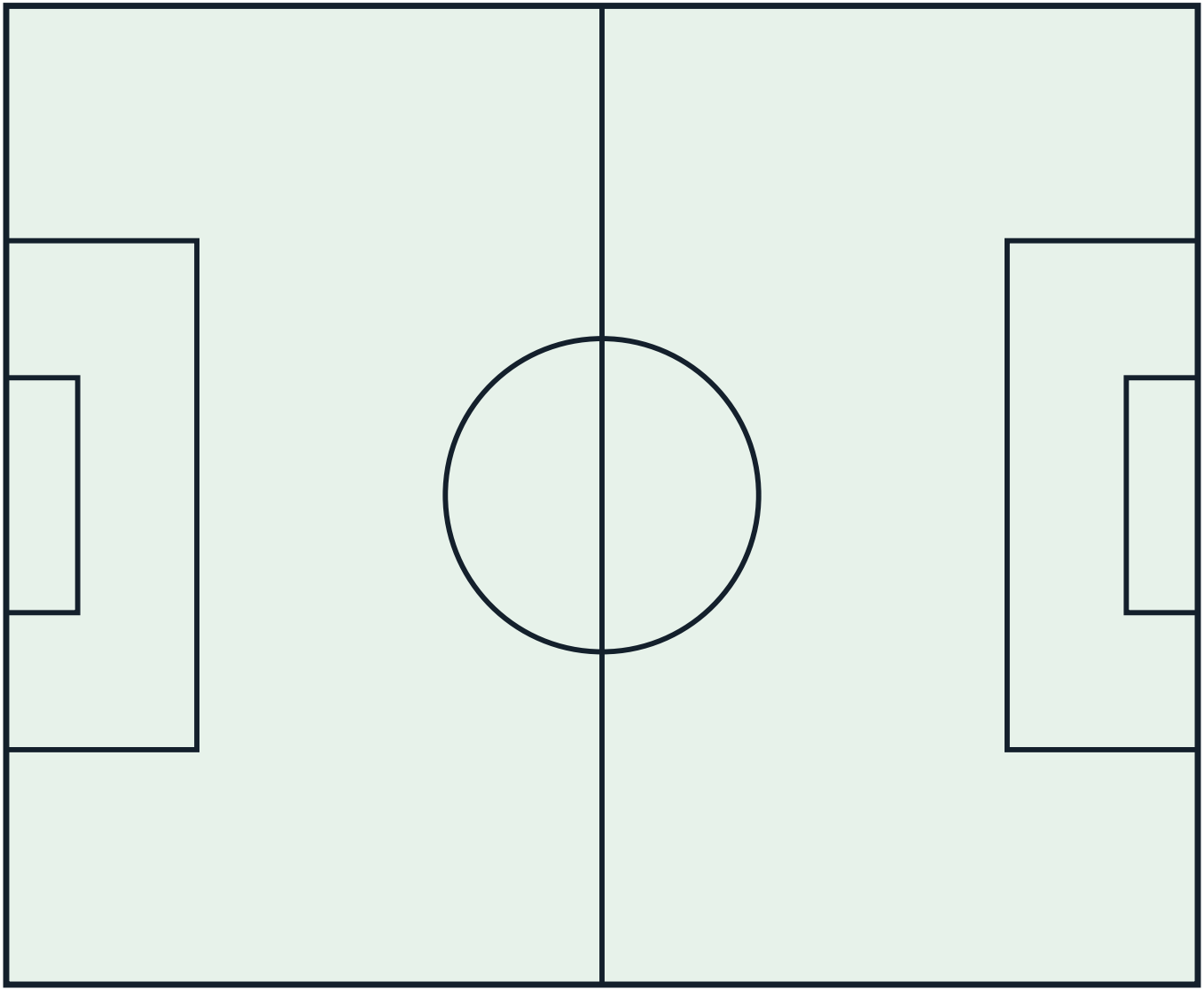
The Gear Parade



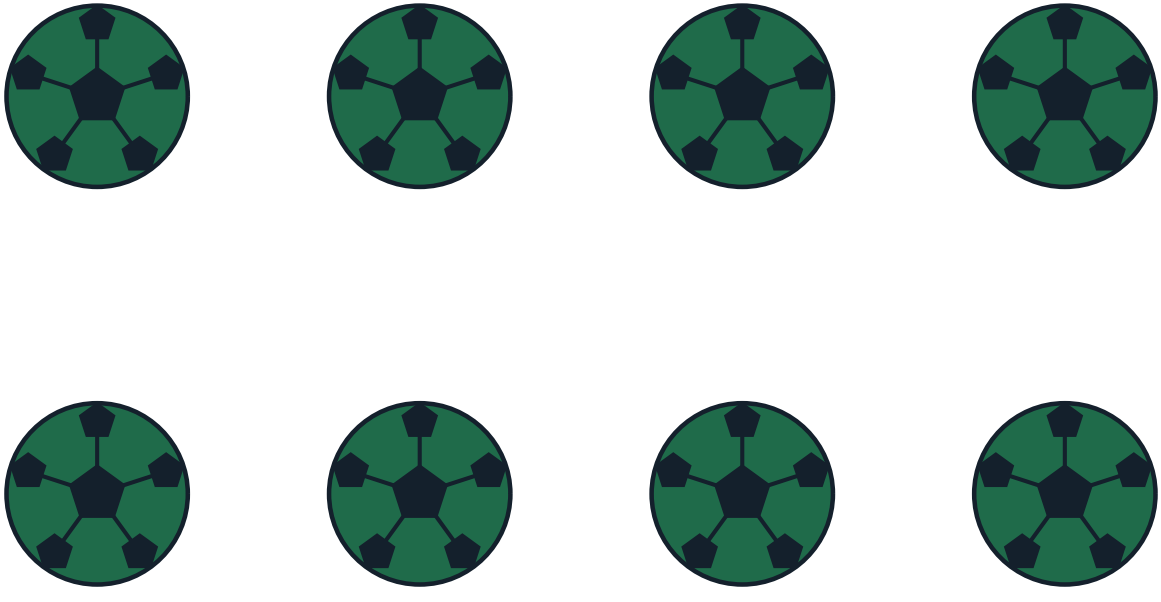
Pattern Play



The Arena From Above



Count the Balls!



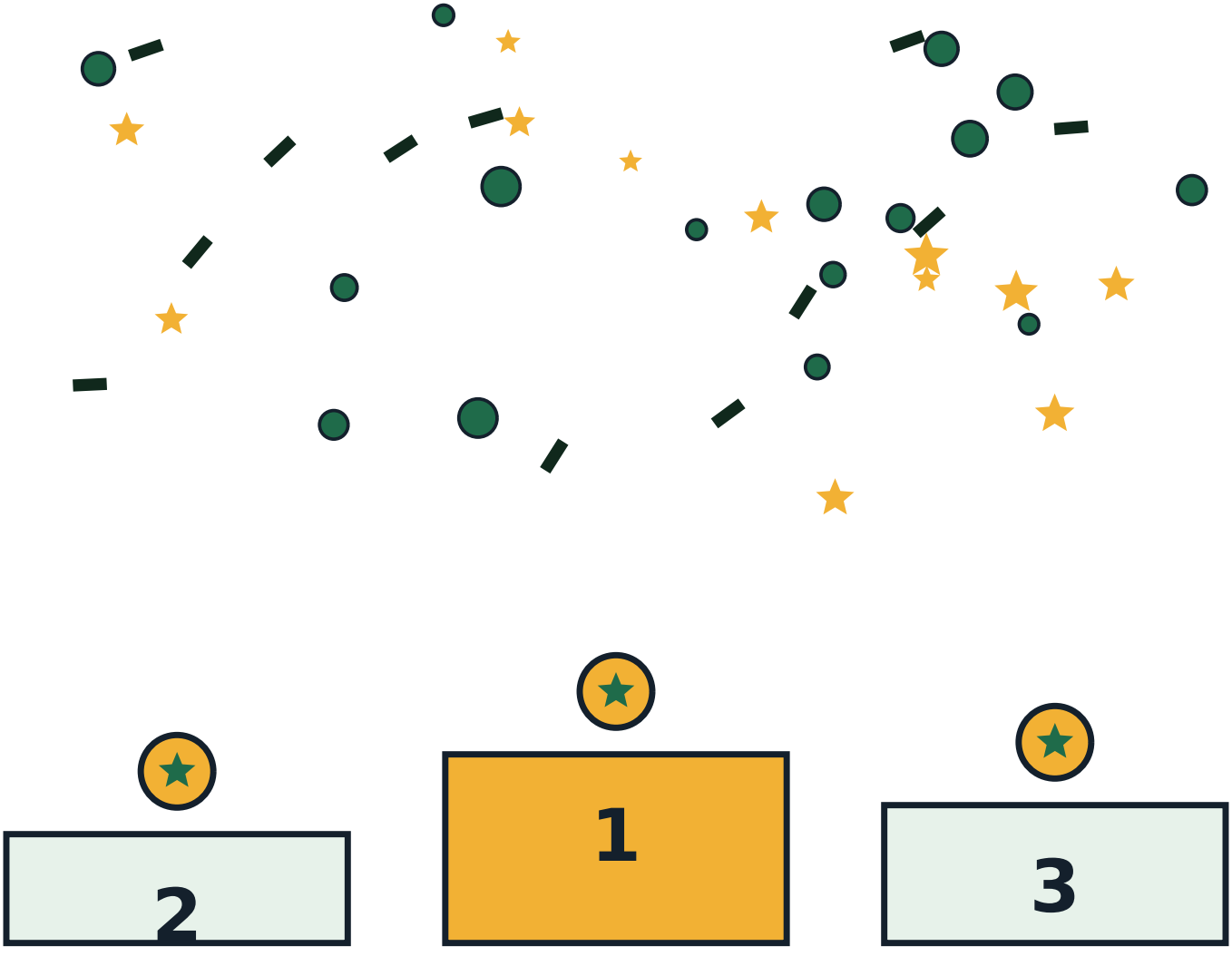
How many can you count? Write the number here: _____

My Favourite Part of Quadball

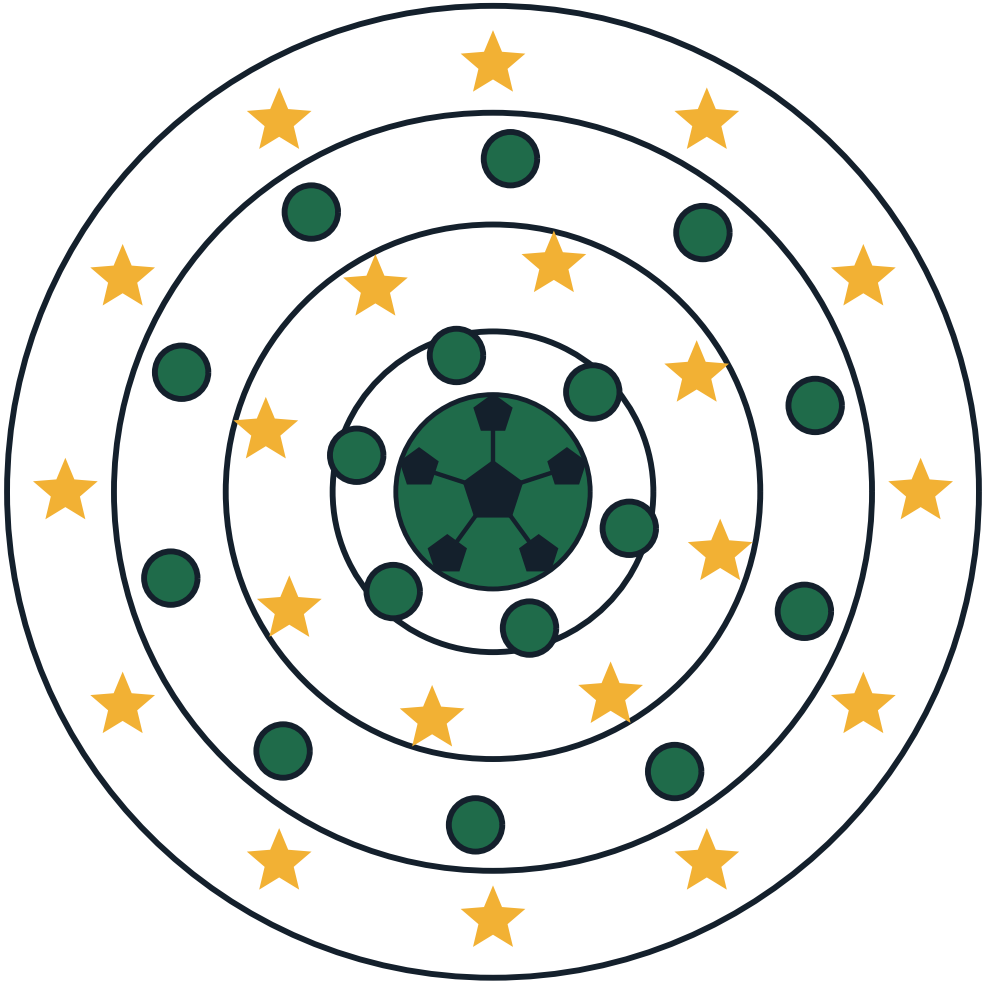
Gear Close-Up



Champions!



The Mandala of the Game



About This Book

Governing body: International Quadball Association (IQA). Laws edition the site's rules file follows: IQA Rulebook 2024, updated November 2024. Rule-change history: US Quadball / MLQ records of the July 2022 renaming; IQA rulebook history.. 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.

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