THE CARTOON BOOK OF

JUGGER



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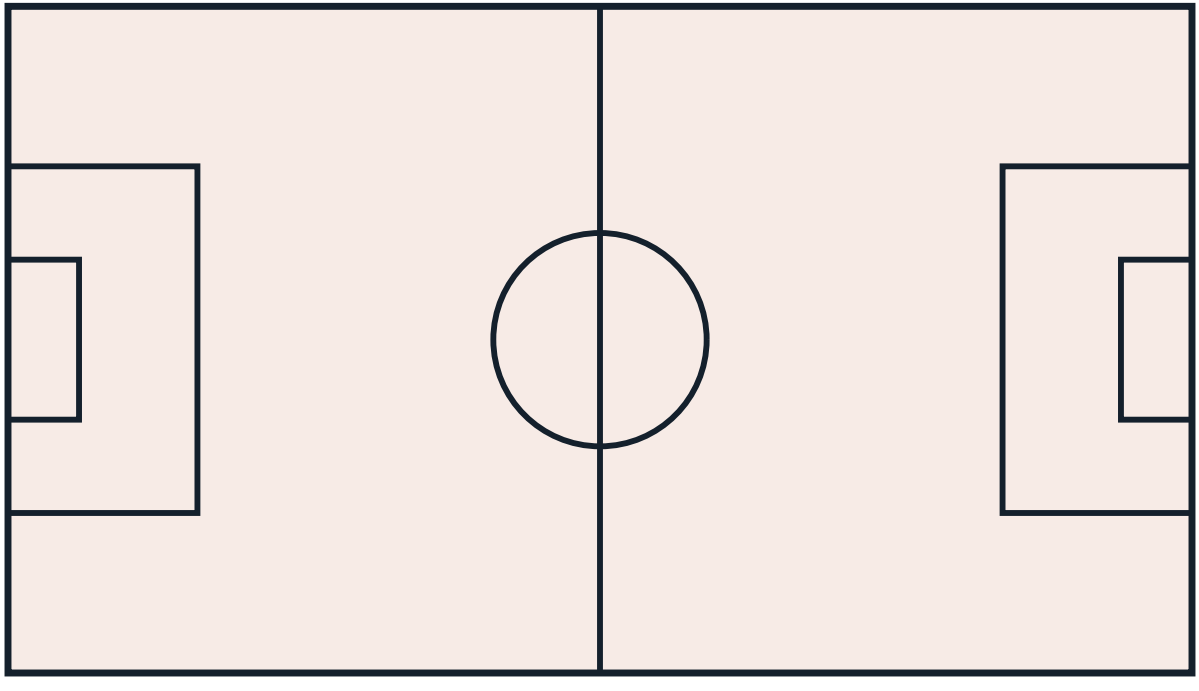
Meet Jugger!

Post-apocalyptic-inspired game with foam weapons.



Where It Is Played

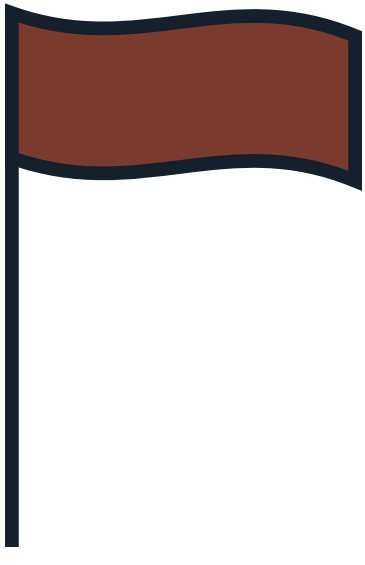
An elongated octagonal field about 40 m x 20 m, with a goal mound 2 m in from each end line and a centre mark for the skull.



The Gear

Foam-padded pompfen (staff, longsword, short sword and shield, Q-tip or chain), a foam dog-skull ball (jugg) and a foam goal mound (mal) at each end.





How It Starts

Find a local Jugger club, borrow checked pompfen, and start as a runner or enforcer behind your own goal line; play starts on the '3, 2, 1, Jugger' call.



How to Play

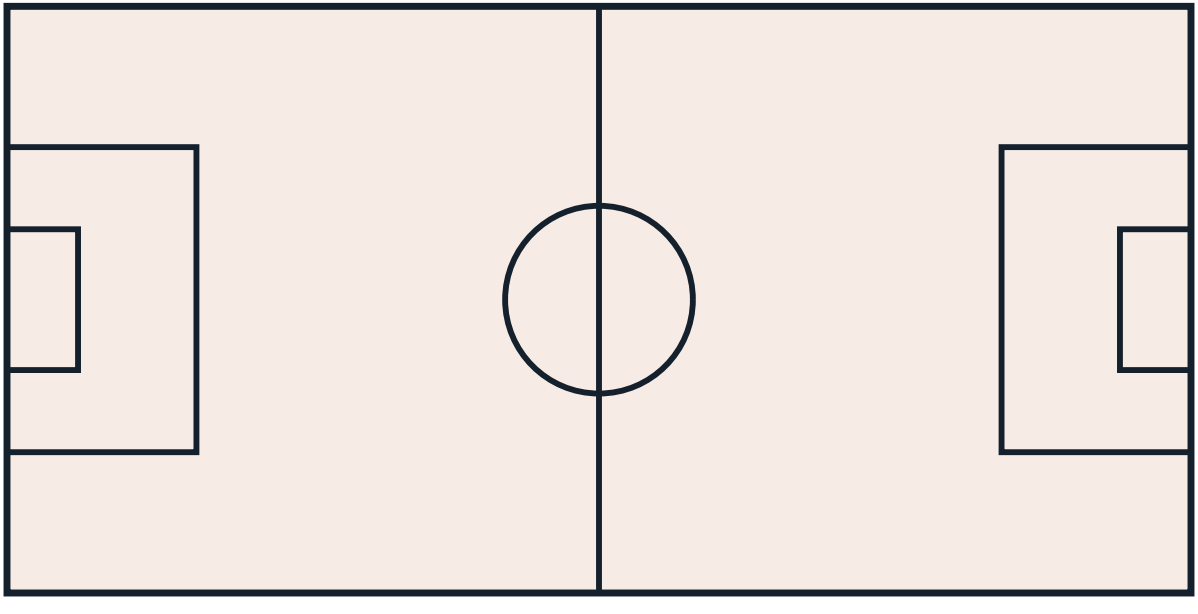
- A team consists of a maximum of eight players per game: exactly five field players and up to three substitutes.
- Each team must have exactly one runner (qwik) on the field, and a maximum of one chain player is allowed.
- Only the runner, who is unarmed, may handle the skull (jugg); the other field players carry padded weapons (pompfen) — shields, chains and spars.
- The objective is for the runner to place the skull into the opponents' goal (mal) to score a point; the team with the most points when time expires wins.

More of the Game

- Time is kept in 'stones' — regular beats of about one per second: games are commonly two halves of 100 stones, with tournament finals played over three thirds of 150 stones.
- A player hit by an opponent's pompfen must kneel and count out penalty stones (five stones, or eight if hit by the chain) before rejoining play, and can be kept down ('pinned') by an opponent's weapon resting on them.
- Hits to the head, neck and face do not count, and the hands holding equipment are also not a valid target.
- The playing field is a rectangle with clipped corners — an elongated octagon, about 40 m long and 20 m wide — with a mal at each end and the skull placed at the centre to start each point, on the call of '3, 2, 1, Jugger'.

The Shape of a Match

Five-a-side field game mixing ball sport and padded combat: four armed enforcers protect their unarmed runner, who alone can carry the skull and score by placing it in the opponents' mal.



More of the Traditional & regional Family

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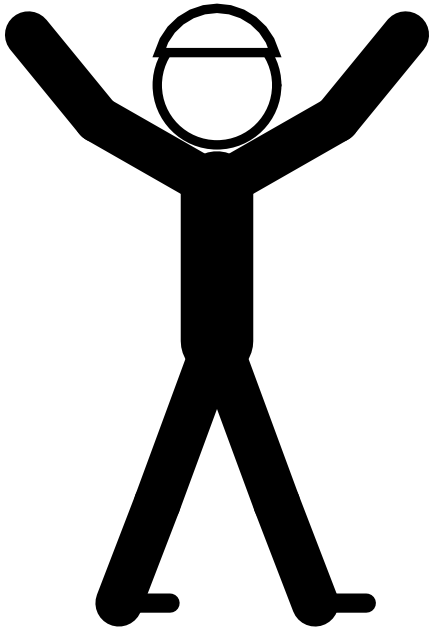
- Gaelic Handball — Irish wall handball played with gloved hands.
- Calcio Storico — Florentine mix of rugby, wrestling and boxing in a sand pit.
- Cooper's Hill Cheese-Rolling — English race chasing a cheese wheel down a hill.

A Note on the Rules

Jugger is governed in Germany and internationally by community federations under a codified code (pompfen weapons, the jugg skull, chain players) that spread from the 1989 film's inspiration into organised leagues with published, community-revised rules. Revisions are community-continuous. No landmark dated change is carried for jugger.



Colour the Action



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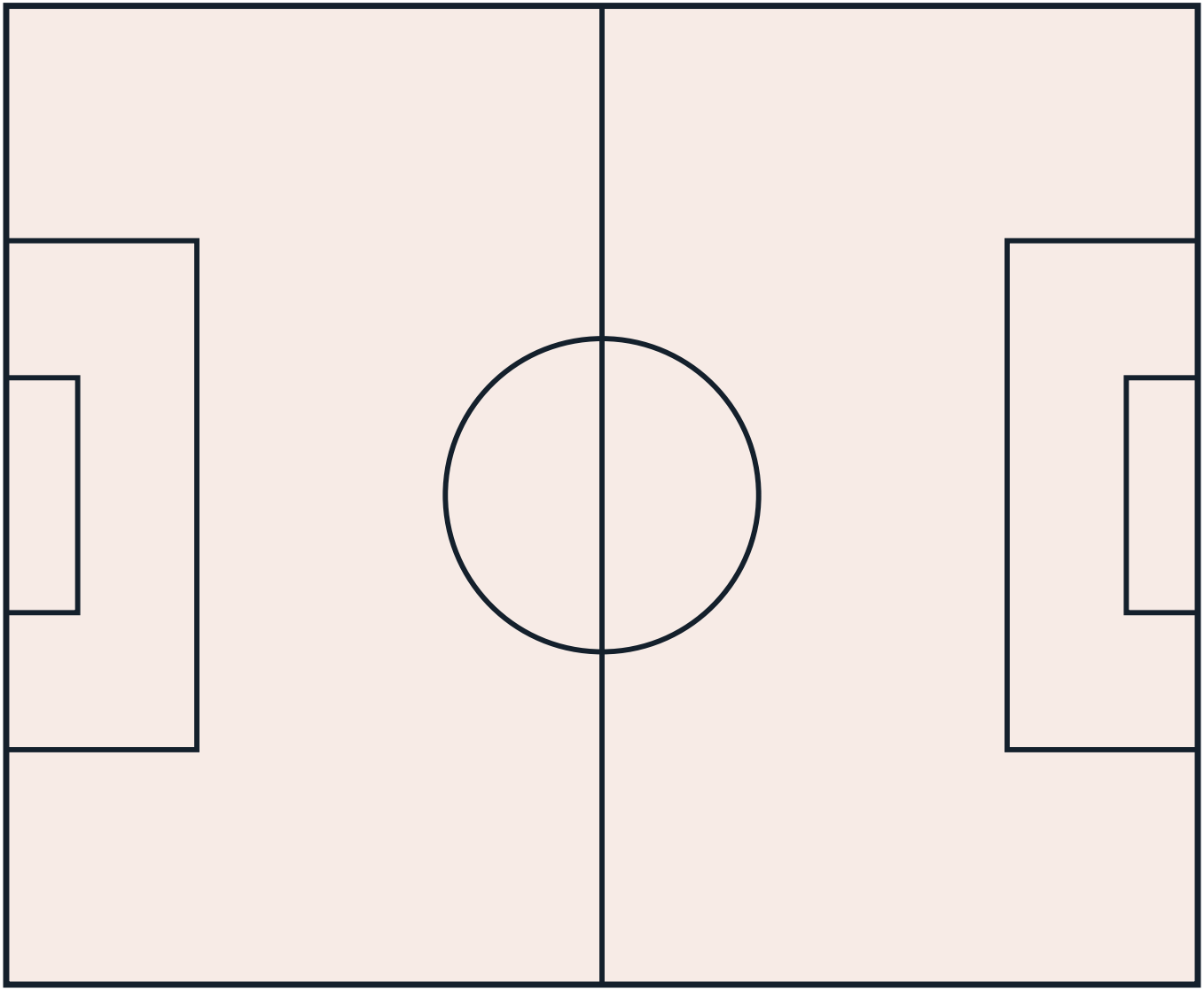
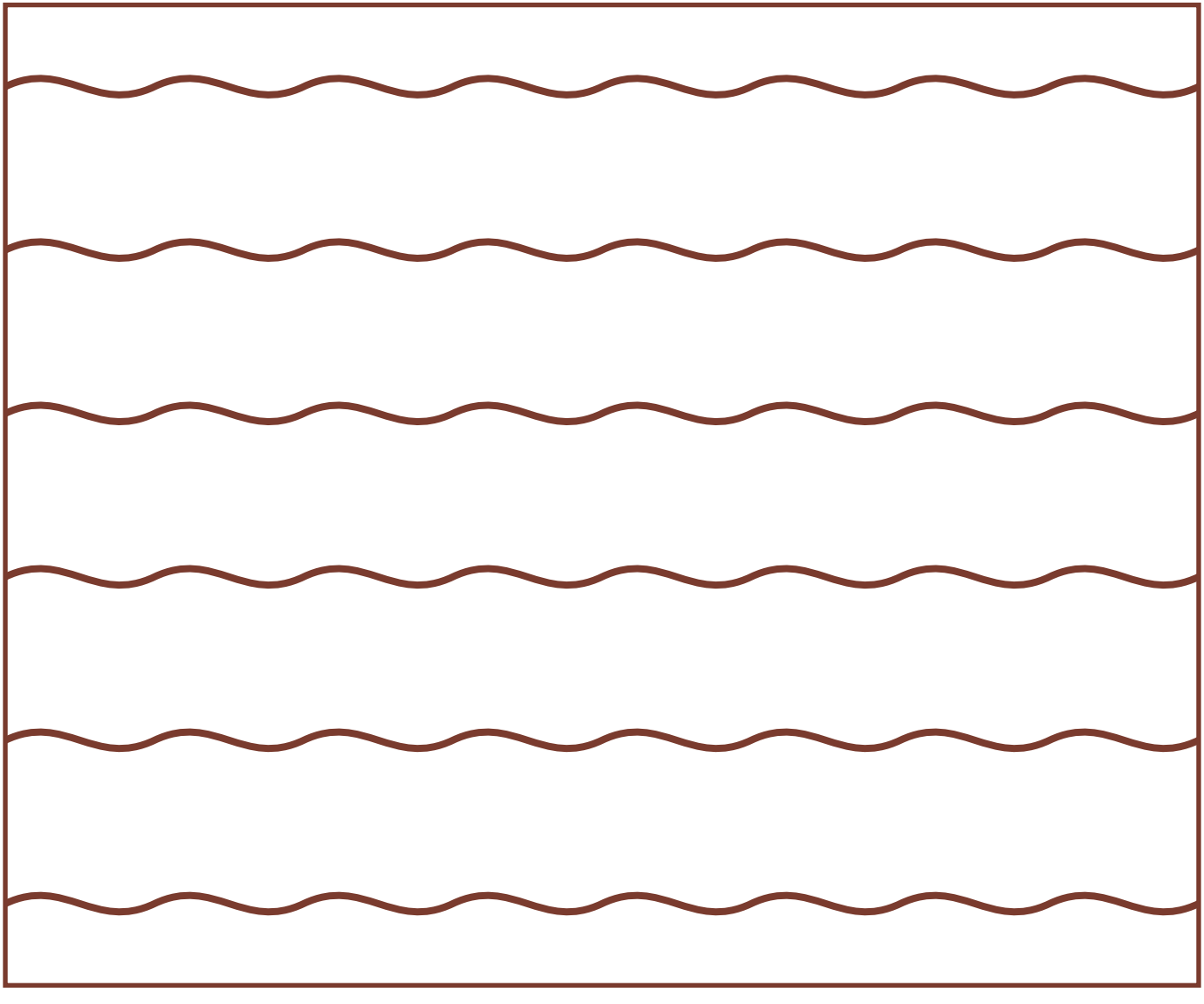
The Sport Today



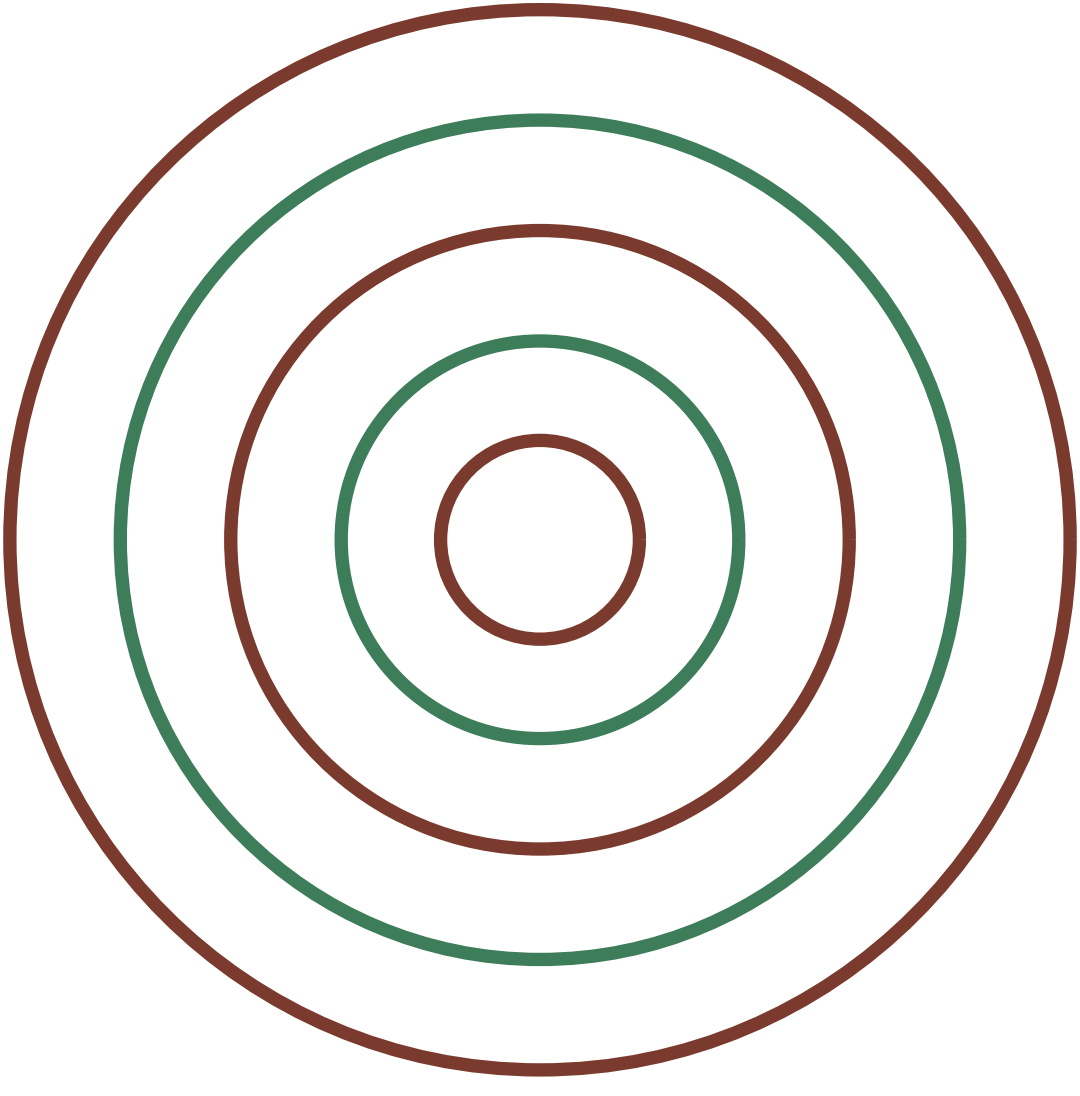
At School and College



Play It Near You



Through the Year



The Traditional & regional 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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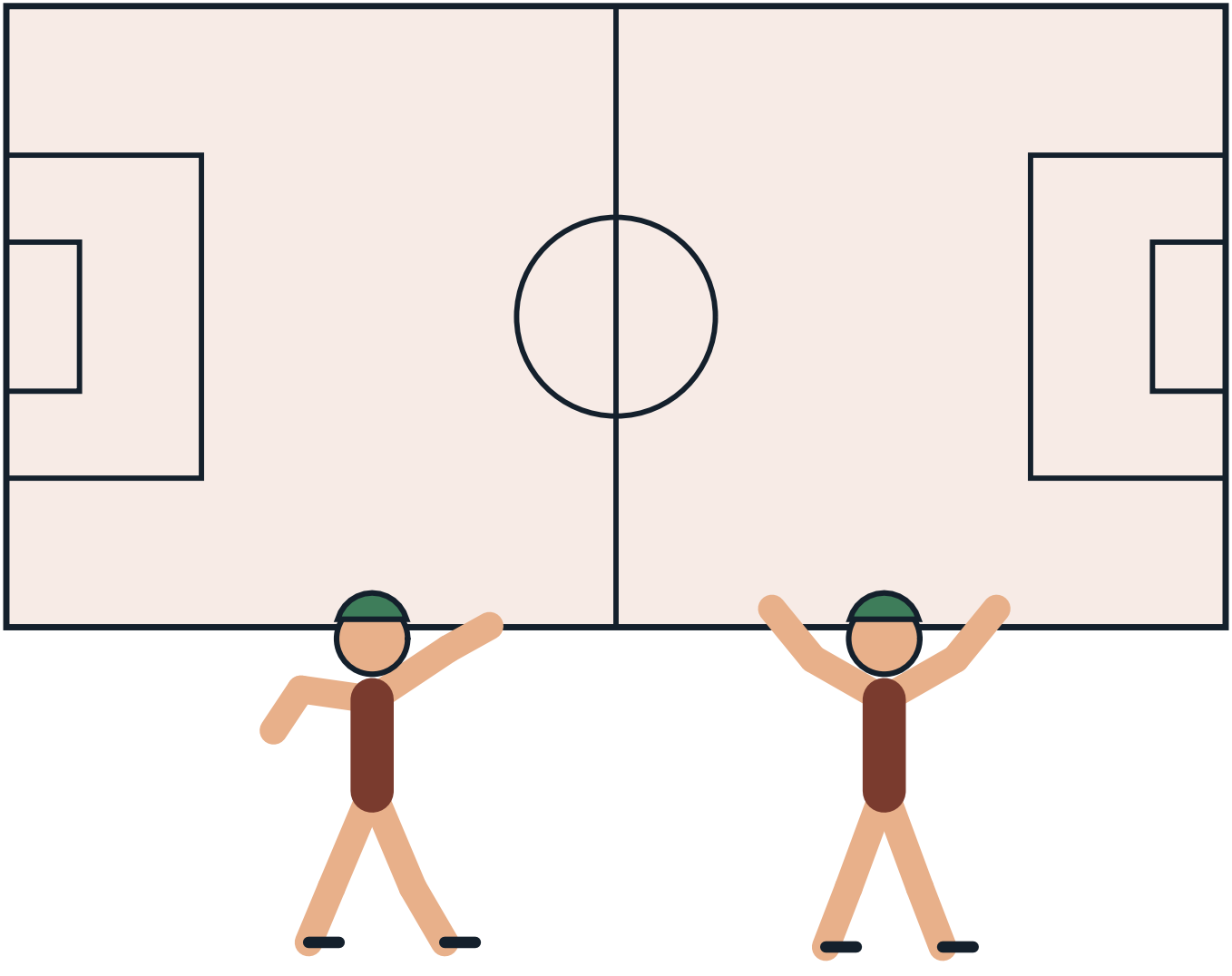
Game Day!



The Sport on Earth Mark

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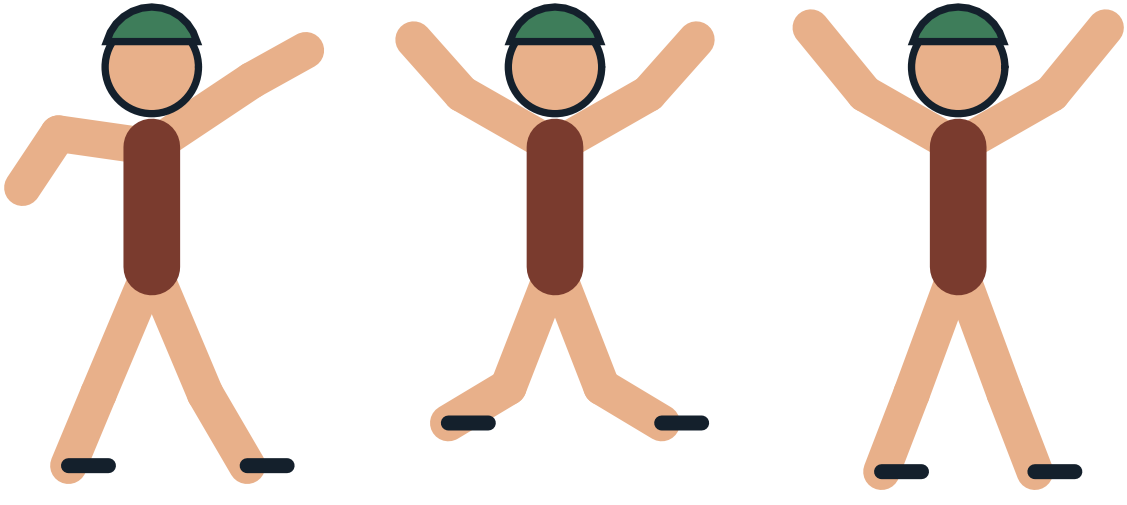
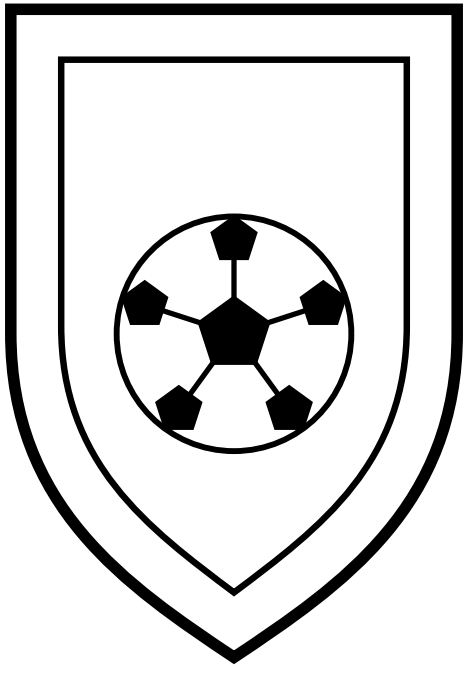
Moves of the Game



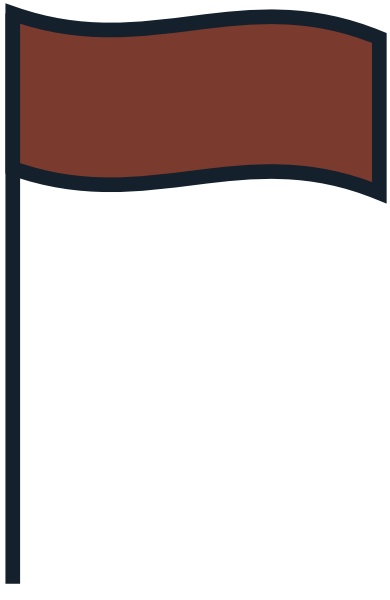
Design a Badge



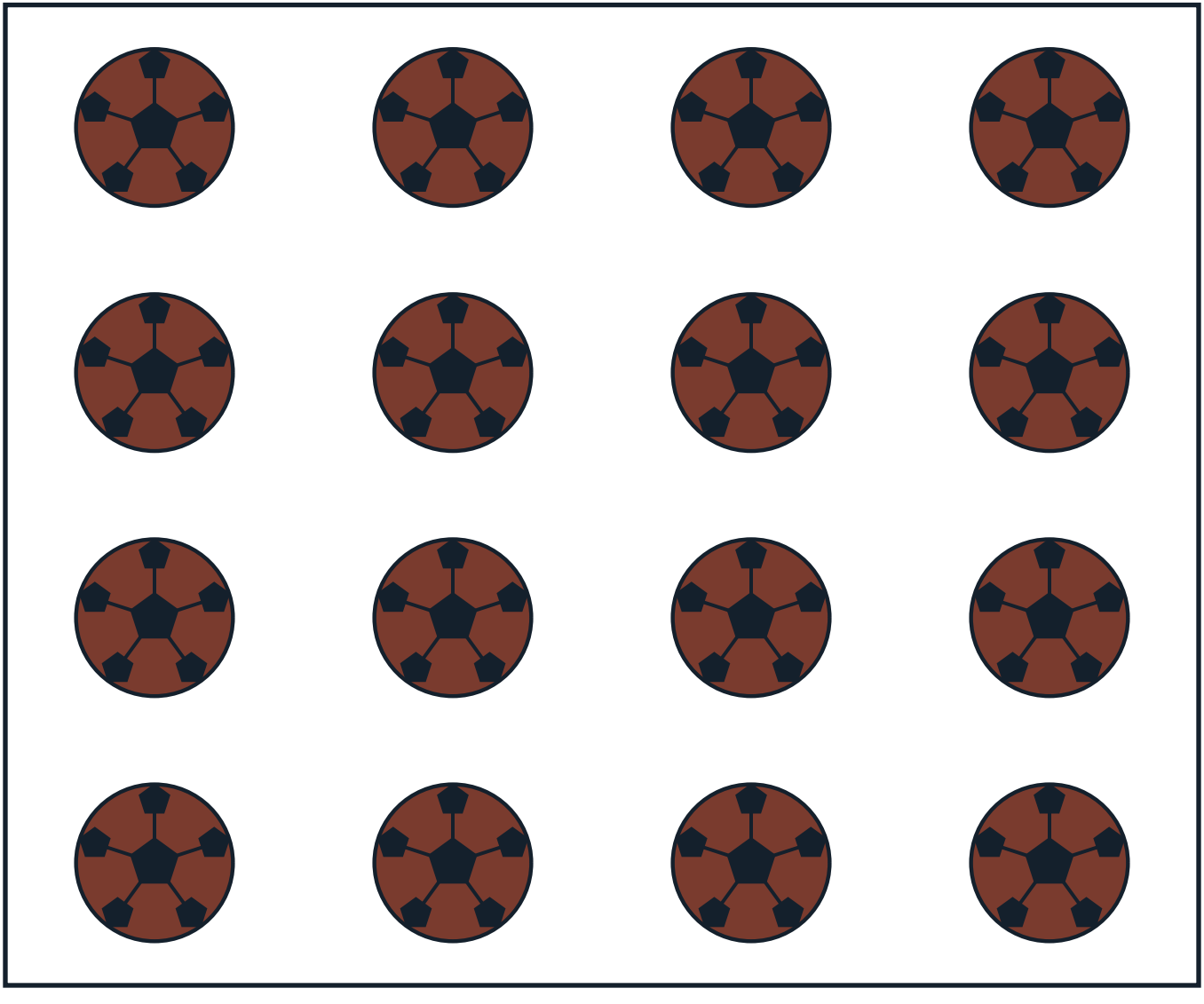
Draw and colour a badge for your own team.

The Gear Parade

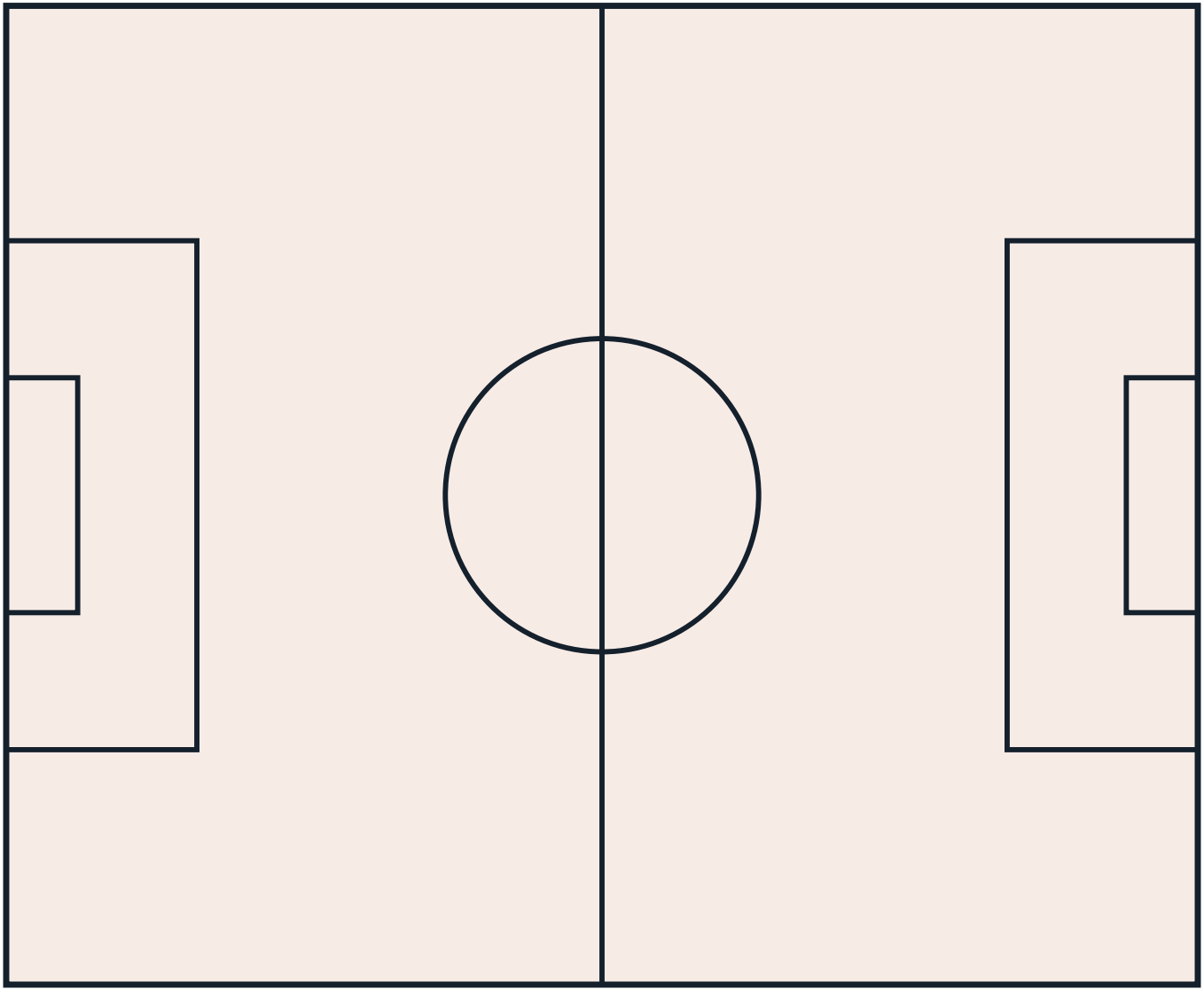




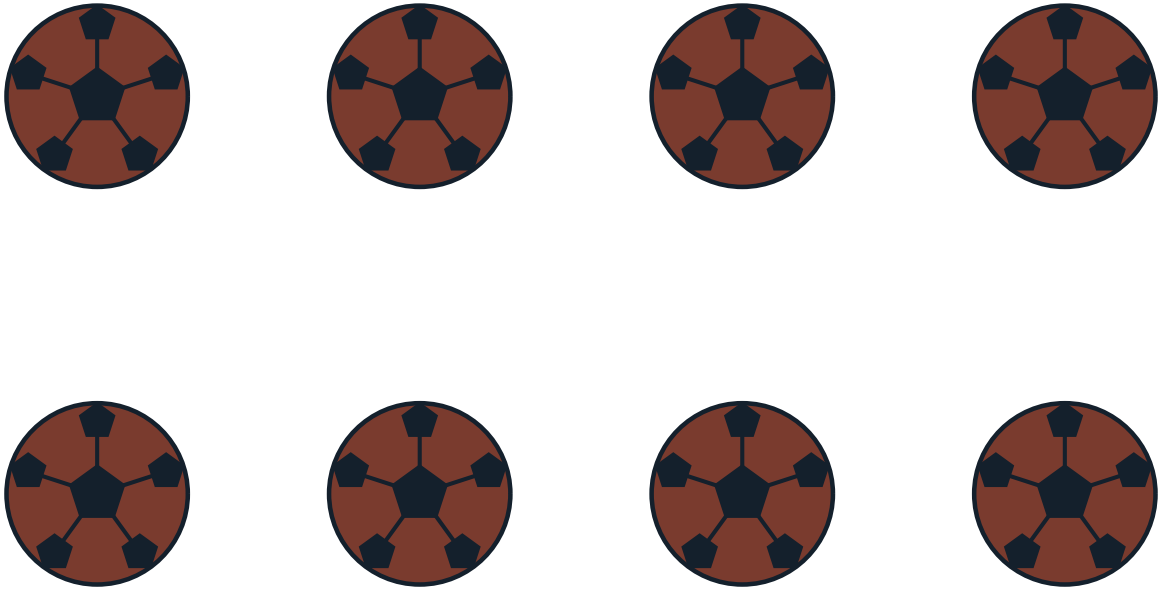
Pattern Play



The Arena From Above



Count the Balls!



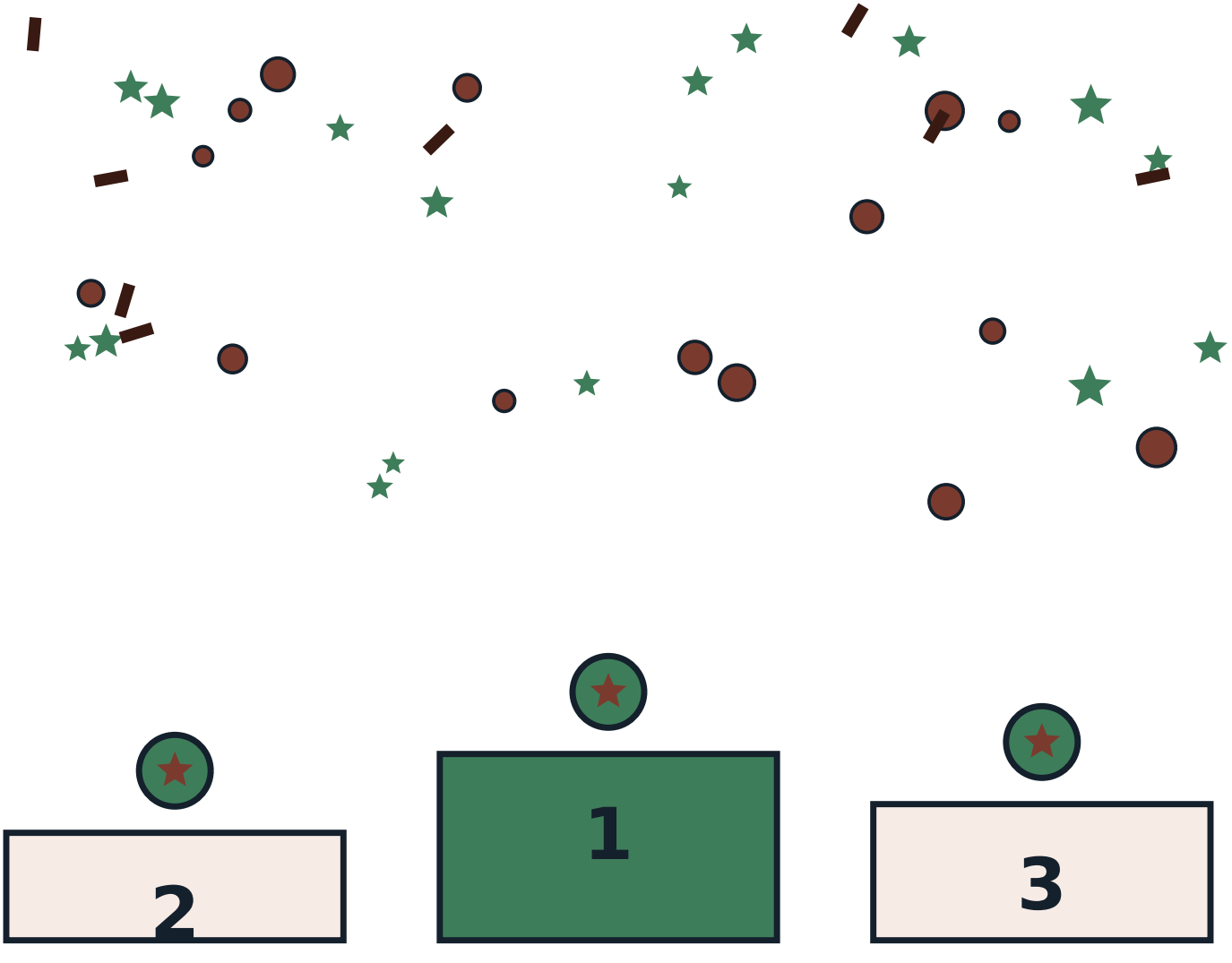
How many can you count? Write the number here: _____

My Favourite Part of Jugger

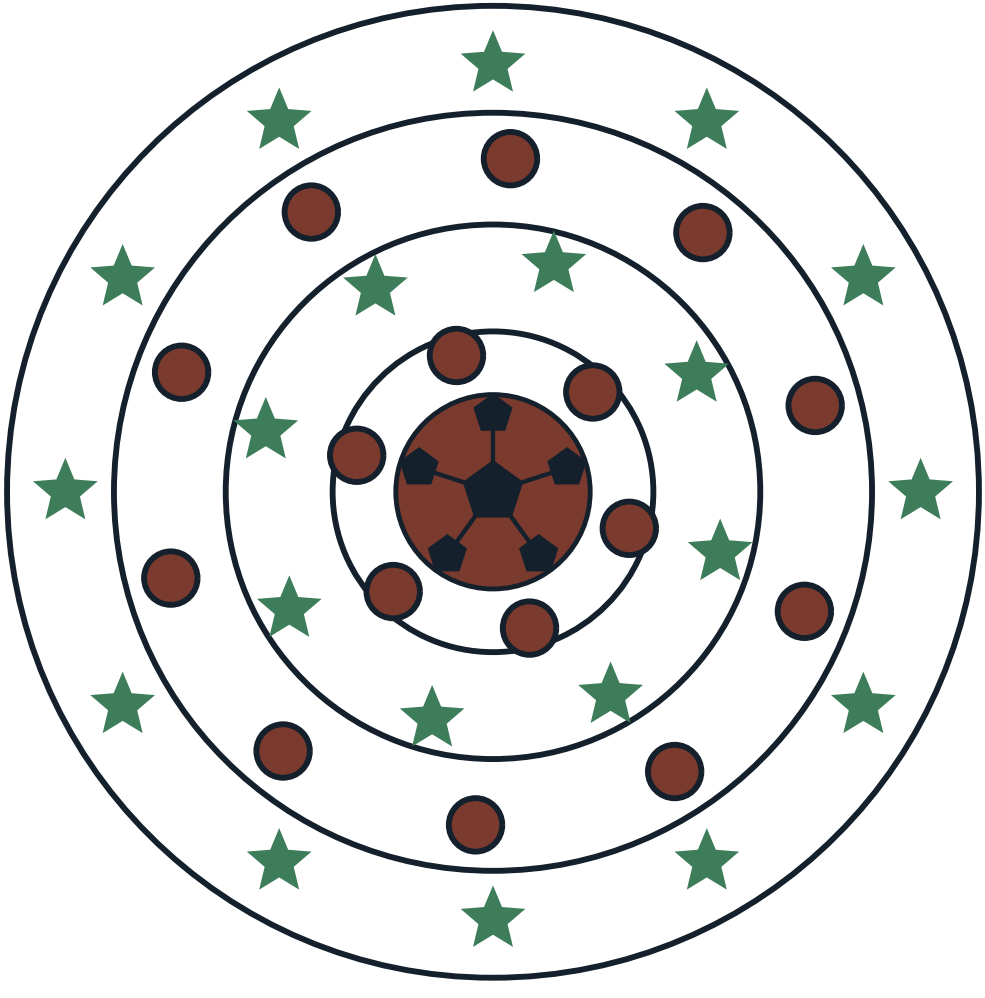
Gear Close-Up



Champions!



The Mandala of the Game



About This Book

Governing body: No single governing body — German Jugger community (jugger.org) and national leagues. Laws edition the site's rules file follows: German Jugger community rules as published at jugger.org (summarised in the Jugger reference article). 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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