Objective: To improve the player's ability to dribble and run with the soccer ball

| Stage | Organization | Diagram | Guided Questions |
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| Stage I <br> Technical Warm up | Free dribble <br> In a $20 \times 20$ yards gird. Have all players with a soccer ball each dribbling. Coach is calling out or showing moves that the players perform. <br> Attacking moves: scissors (circle/take,) Mathews (inside/outside,) fake and take, Turning moves: inside cut, outside cut, pull back, Cruyff (inside cut behind standing leg,) <br> Variations: Coaches command players to speed dribble around a "cone" or "flag/tall-cone/stick" and get back into the middle. |  | - How do we dribble fast over distance? <br> - Which part of the foot should we use to change direction? <br> - What should we check before we turn? <br> - How quickly should we accelerate after changing directions? <br> - Why do we turn? Which way is best to turn? |
| Stage II Small Sided Activity | 1v1/2v2 to Four Goals: <br> In a 20Lx 15w / 25L x 20w yards grid. One team starts with the ball and tries to score in the opponents goals. If the ball goes out on your team's half, a new player comes on the field. <br> The new player always brings a ball with them on the field. |  | - How do we get the defender to move out of the space we want to get into? <br> - What moves to use that can help change directions quickly? <br> - When to dribble? <br> - What can we see behind the defender that tells us to attack him? <br> - Which goal to score in? Why? <br> - If we can't score where can we go? |
| Stage III <br> Expanded <br> Small Sided Activity | 3v3/4v4 to Dribble Goals: <br> In a 30 L x 45 W yard grid, play a game with 6 goals. Players cannot pass the ball forward. |  | - How can we get the defenders to move? <br> - Which turn can we use to change direction? <br> - How can we keep the ball even near our own goal? <br> - What's the danger with dribbling near our own end? <br> - How can we attack when we cannot pass forward? |
| Stage IV Conditioned Game | 6v6 or 7v7: <br> - Two teams with a specific formation <br> - Play the game and encourage the players to recognize when | and how to run with the ball | - When do we look to attack players? Space? |

