



Teaching Players What to See

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This Changes How You Practice

Once we start thinking this way, it changes the drills we choose. A shooting drill should not always ask only whether the shot went in. Sometimes it should ask whether it was the right shot.

A drive-and-kick drill should not only ask whether we got to the right spot. It should also ask whether our players recognized why they needed to get there.

Even our small-sided games can be built around players identifying and attacking advantages instead of simply completing an action.

We are not just practicing movements. We are practicing recognition.

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Teach Them What to See

We are still going to teach spacing, actions, and positioning. We will still draw things on a board and stop practice to correct where players should be. Structure matters. But structure should eventually lead to freedom.

We do not want our players spending the entire possession trying to remember what comes next. We want them looking at the defense and asking: What are they giving us? Where is the advantage? Can we attack it?

That is the direction our coaching continues to move. A good offense should not only tell players where to go. It should teach them what to see when they get there.

Practice Questions for Coaches

- What advantage is the player seeing?
- Did the player make the right decision, regardless of the result?
- Did our spacing create freedom or crowd the advantage?
- Does the drill require recognition, or only repetition?

Put This Into Practice

Start With the Attack Mindset

Shoot it. Drive it. Move it. This is the foundation underneath how we want our players to approach offense. This breakdown explains the Attack Mindset and why it is an important part of the System Basketball Framework.

[Watch the Attack Mindset on YouTube](#)

Then Train the Shooting Decision

Once players understand that we want them to attack advantages, we have to put them in situations where they actually have to make decisions. That includes shooting. Instead of asking only, “Did you make the shot?” we should also ask, “Was it the right shot?”

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