

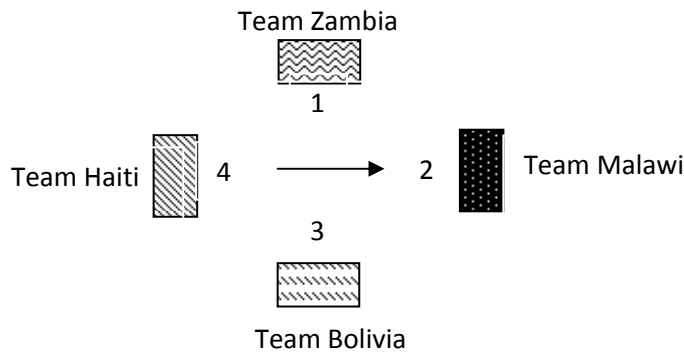
World Cup Soccer

Objective:

Participants will play soccer to learn the importance of international cooperation.

Set Up and Materials:

- Four small (six to eight feet across) soccer goals. Orange sport cones can be used to mark off a small area. The goals should be placed in a square shape, facing in.
- Two soccer balls
- Four teams are needed. Divide participants into four teams and give each team a country name. Each team is stationed in front of one goal--this is their home goal. The goal directly across from each team's home goal is the goal they can score on.



Activity Instructions:

After dividing in teams, explain the rules of the game:

- The object of the game is to score as many goals as possible within the 20 minute time limit.
- A goal is only legitimate if it is scored off an assist from a person on another team. For example, Team Zambia is trying to score on goal 3 (home goal of Team Bolivia). In order to do this, the assist (the pass before the shot on goal) must come from someone one either Team Malawi or Team Haiti.
- *Everyone* cheers after any goal that is made.
- If there are a large number of participants, teams should have substitute players that switch in and out.
- Remember: the object is to score as many points as possible within a time limit--not necessarily for each *team*, but for the whole group. Play a short game first to see how participants react; then, remind players of the object of the game. See if the play is any different the next time it is played.

Try this!

In order to keep players fresh and engaged, substitute them out of the game for a bit. When they are ready to go back in, have them switch teams! It will encourage cooperation and give tired players a break!