Kicking — Laying on the ground

Content outline
This activity aims to introduce kicking – to strike, hit or move items with a foot whilst laying on the ground.
- Moving items with a foot
- Spatial awareness

Space
- Increase the distance away from the item so that the young person must reach to hit it
- Lack of contact to the item will make the task more difficult
- Decrease the distance away from the item to make the activities easier

Equipment
- Change the items being used to develop the same skill in different contexts
- Use different household items (Eg. Food bag full of rice, empty cans)
- The size and weight of the object can be changed to adapt the difficulty of the task

Task
- Begin by dislodging items balanced on their feet
- Young people may wish to lay on their side
- Create objects for the young person to ‘knock-down’
- Use clear and simple language within instructions – try to use single words where possible

People
- Gradually reduce the physical support given to complete each activity

Learning intention
Physical:
- To develop the use of the feet to kick / move an item

Personal:
- To recognise how we can use our feet to impact items around us

Verbal Instruction / Feedback:
- Give each task specific feedback; “Really good kick”
- Praise individual tasks; “Great shot”
- Use clear language when giving instructions – use single words where possible; “kick”, “move your foot”, “kick to me”.

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https://www.specialolympicsgb.org.uk/sports/motor-activities-training-programme

More resources
www.youthsporttrust.org/free-home-learning-resources-secondary