

## TOT/PRESCHOOL BASEBALL (AGES 3-5) ACTIVITY REFENCE GUIDE



## Bumble Bee's (Tot Baseball Edition):

Purpose: Throwing

Equipment: 1 SNAG Ball of each color/kid (7-Total). Small Blue Bucket/kid. Snag Suit, Colored Disks

<u>Set Up:</u> Use Colored Disks to create 1 bee-hive (circle of colored disks) for each player. The bee-hives themselves should make another larger circle. Spread out! Put a Small Blue Bucket filled with SNAG Balls inside each bee-hive. The Snag Balls should match the color of the Bee-Hive.

Execution:

- 1. Assign each player to a color bee-hive
- 2. Teach proper throwing technique (introduce, breakdown, demonstrate)
- 3. Narrate Bumble Bee Storyline: The kids are the Bumble Bee's and they are standing in their Bee-Hive. Their SNAG Balls are their Stingers which they are going to use to sting the Honey Bear (Coach) and protect their Honey (Colored Disks).
- 4. Coach puts on the SNAG Suit and starts going around to each Bee-Hive one at a time.
- 5. When the Bear gets to the Bee-Hive direct the kids to throw the ball at you. If they miss, they grab their next ball and keep going until they sting the bear. Once the sting the bear, the bear moves onto the next bee-hive.
- 6. Once all balls have been thrown, call for an Easter Egg Hunt and have the players collect all of their colored SNAG Balls and put them back in their bucket.
- 7. Continue play as time permits. Reinforce technique, Storyline, Flow, and Encouragement/Praise throughout.
- 8. Each round the bear can go a little faster. For the older kids, the bear can start grabbing honey when the kids miss.
- 9. Bear should say "Ouch", "You Got Me", "Sting" when they get hit by a ball. The kids think it is hilarious.
- 10. Recap throwing and when/why it is used in Baseball.