

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



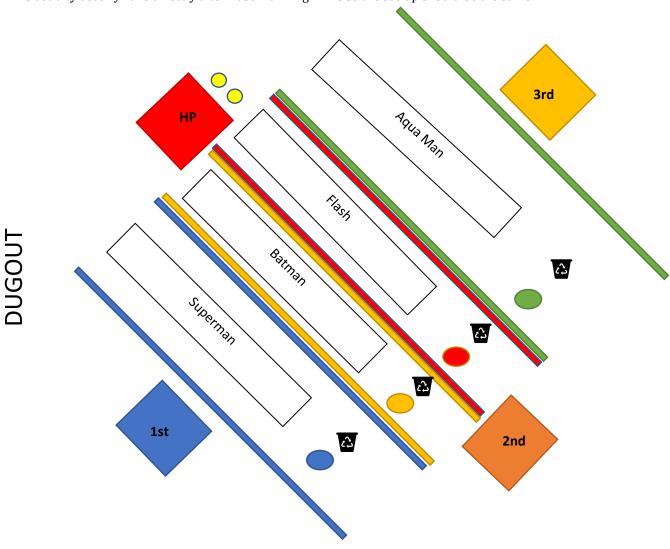
Justice League

Purpose: Base-Running, Hitting from coach pitch, Fielding

Equipment: Set of bases, whiffle balls, foam balls, foam bat, tee, colored spots, colored feet

<u>Set-up</u>: Baseball Diamond (Red = Home, Blue = First, Orange = 2^{nd} , Yellow = 3^{rd}). Use colored disks to make the Justice League Bases in the infield

This activity usually runs directly after Base-Running Drills so the set-up should be the same.



Execution:

- 1. The game is essentially adding defensive fielding to our standard Offensive Drills
- 2. Coach splits players into two teams and assigns one to offense and one to defense.
- 3. Offensive team sits in the dugout.
- 4. Coach assignment defensive players to one of the Justice League Characters Superman, Batman, Flash, Aquaman
- 5. Defensive players stay in their Superhero Base (indicated by colored disks), and start in the ready position (hands on their knees) next to their bucket.



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- 6. Defensive players are going to try to collect as many villains as they can (Baseballs) and put them in their bucket. They can only grab a ball if it is in their SuperHero Base
- 7. Offensive Players do the standard Offensive Drills but you are now working on coach pitch
- 8. Coach calls up the first batter
- 9. Coach pitches them the ball and they try to hit it to one of the SuperHeroes Tell them to aim for their favorite SuperHero. Each batter gets 4-pitches
- 10. After 4 pitches (not hits), the coach blows his/her whistle and the batter drops the batter and runs to first. The SuperHero grabs the ball in their base and puts it in the bucket.
- 11. Coach calls up the next batter who attempts to hit 4-pitches. Coach blows his whistle and the person on 1^{st} runs to 2^{nd} , person at home runs to 1^{st} .
- 12. Continue until all players have hit the ball and scored a run
- 13. For the last few of base-runners, the coach will hit the ball and should focus on hitting the ball to the SuperHeroes that did not get any balls hit to them.
- 14. Switch offense and defense
- 15. Continue as time permits
- 16. Switch what defenders get to be what SuperHero each round
- 17. At the end of the game, count up how many balls (villains) are in each bucket.
- 18. The SuperHero with the most balls is the WINNER!