**Soccer Madness**

**Ball Collection Game 3**

**Objective**:  Students will work in a team and develop their kicking skills while trying to collect as many lettered balls as they can.

**Materials**:

Cones and lettered balls

**The Plan**:

This game is played with 2 or more teams that are even in size.  The teams all begin by standing behind 2 cones that create a goal for their team.  Each team has its own goal.

Divide everyone into teams and get teams standing behind their goals.

* Before the game begins the leader will scatter all of the balls out in the field.
* When the game begins the teams will run out into the field to begin kicking the balls back through their goals.
* At least one player from each team will stay back to gather up the balls as they come through the goal.
* Students are welcome to play defense or offense while the balls are in play.  This means that they may choose to block other teams from scoring in order to save more balls for their own goal.
* After all balls have gone through the goals teams will begin playing SMARTOPOTAMUS BRAIN BUILDER with the balls they have collected.

**Variations:**

* Move the goals closer or farther from the other goals.
* Only allow people to kick with their left foot.
* Make each goal very small or very big.
* Allow students to begin spelling as soon as balls begin coming through the goals.

**Good Introduction:**

“Who here likes soccer?  Soccer is pretty exciting.  Who would be interested in playing a soccer that is even more exciting than regular soccer?  Today you are going to be playing a game of soccer with more than 60 balls in play at once.”

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