

# Soccer's Principles of Play

## ATTACKING/IN-POSSESSION

Penetration

Support

Width

Movement

Creativity

## ATTACKING EXAMPLES

Pass through, around, over

Dribble, shoot

Multiple Passing Options

Spacing and Angles

Spreading Out

Making the Field "Big"

Moving the ball

Finding space away from ball

Disguise and Surprise

Individual Skills

## DEFENDING/OUT-OF-POSSESSION

Delay

Depth

Compaction

Balance

Patience

## DEFENDING EXAMPLES

Applying Pressure on the Ball

Directing play away from Danger

Creating Layers of Protection

Providing Cover and Support

Squeeze in

Making the Field "Small"

Finding your Shape

Protecting the Danger Areas

Waiting for the Moment

Defending as a Team

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