

On the Green - Level 1 An Introduction to Putting







Class Timetable - Introduction to Putting

Session Length: 90mins

Group Size: 1:8 Mastering the Game Focus:
On the Green
Introduction to Putting

Whole Golfer Focus: Mind Dispelling Myths

Learning the Game Topic:Orientation

Learning the Game Focus
Orientation of the Game
Orientation of Equipment

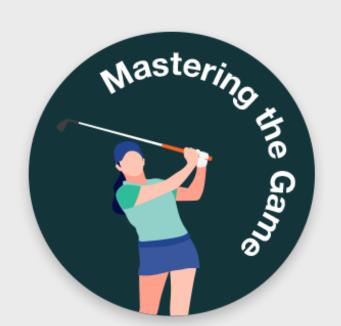
Mastering the Game Challenge: Short Putts Challenge

Time	Focus	Class Content	Games / Drills / Resource
15 Mins Prior	Setup and Welcome	 Set up the games and practice stations of your preference and the challenges for the specific class. Be ready to welcome participants 5 minutes before the session starts 	Class Layout and Setup
10 mins	Introduction	 Outline your preferred technical focus for the class Introduce the Learning the Game or Whole Golfer focus Explain how to play the games and attempt the practice station activities Explain how to attempt the Mastering the Game Challenges 	Orientation of the GameOrientation of the EquipmentDispelling Myths
30 mins	Mastering the Game Independent and Social Practice Mastering the Game Challenges	 Learners play the games individually, in pairs or in groups Opportunity to provide private coaching to learners Learners may attempt the Mastering the Game challenges independently or socially 	 Practice stations Game cards Secondary skill station Mastering the Game Challenges
5 Mins	Learning the Game and Whole Folder Focus	 Get the group together to introduce the Learning the Game or Whole Golfer focus Opportunity to engage in group discussion and questions 	
30 Mins	Mastering the Game Independent and Social Practice Challenges and Recap	 Learners play the games individually, in pairs or in groups Opportunity to provide private coaching to learners Learners may attempt the Mastering the Game challenges if applicable independently or socially 	Practice stationsGame cardsSecondary skill station
10 Mins	MyGame+ Tracking on GLF. Connect	 Add any lesson media to the learner's Student Connect area Learners should be encouraged to mark their attendance at the Themed Class in the Journey to Club and Course Ready section of the MyGame+ area Encourage the learners to mark the challenge as complete for the Level they have attempted if they are successful within the Mastering the Game program wheel on the MyGame+ area 	MyGame+ on GLF. Connect App
15 Mins Post	Relationship Building	 Take time after the class has finished to actively connect new learners and build relationships. Ensure everyone has their next playing or practice session booked, and take the opportunity to upsell private lessons to those that require additional help 	GLF. Connect App









Technical Guidance

- Basics of Setup with the putter
- Introduction to putting motion
- Explore how the club used links to the task



Orientation of the Game:

Introduce topics such as an overview of putting in the game, when a putter is used and introduce the areas that the learner will find on the green

Orientation of Equipment:

Components of the Putter - Discuss how a putters designs link to the task and introduce the components of the putter including how the head design varies

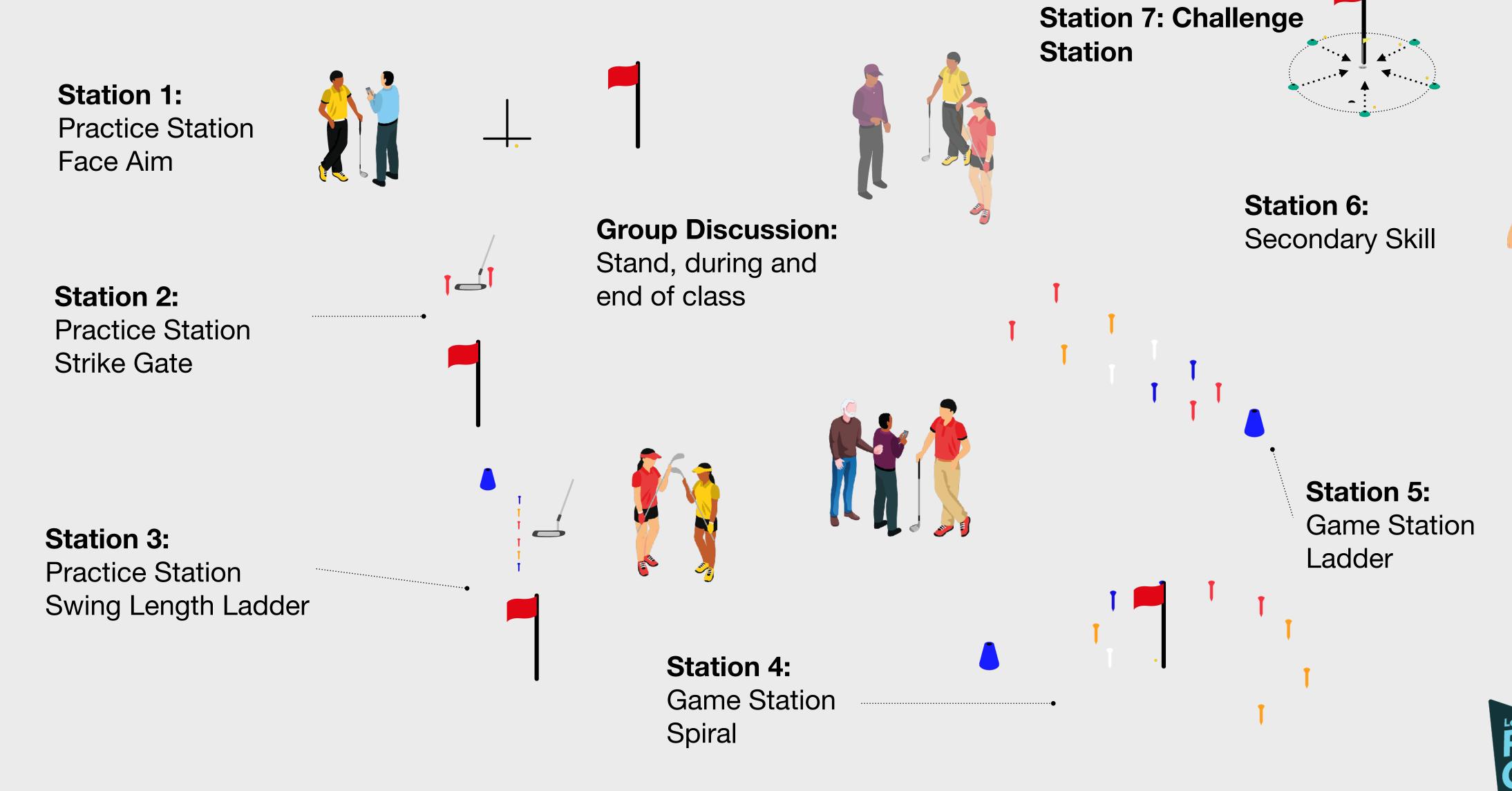


Dispelling Myths in Putting

Professional Golfers do not hole every putt and neither will your learners. Make sure they understand this or their expectations will be too high.



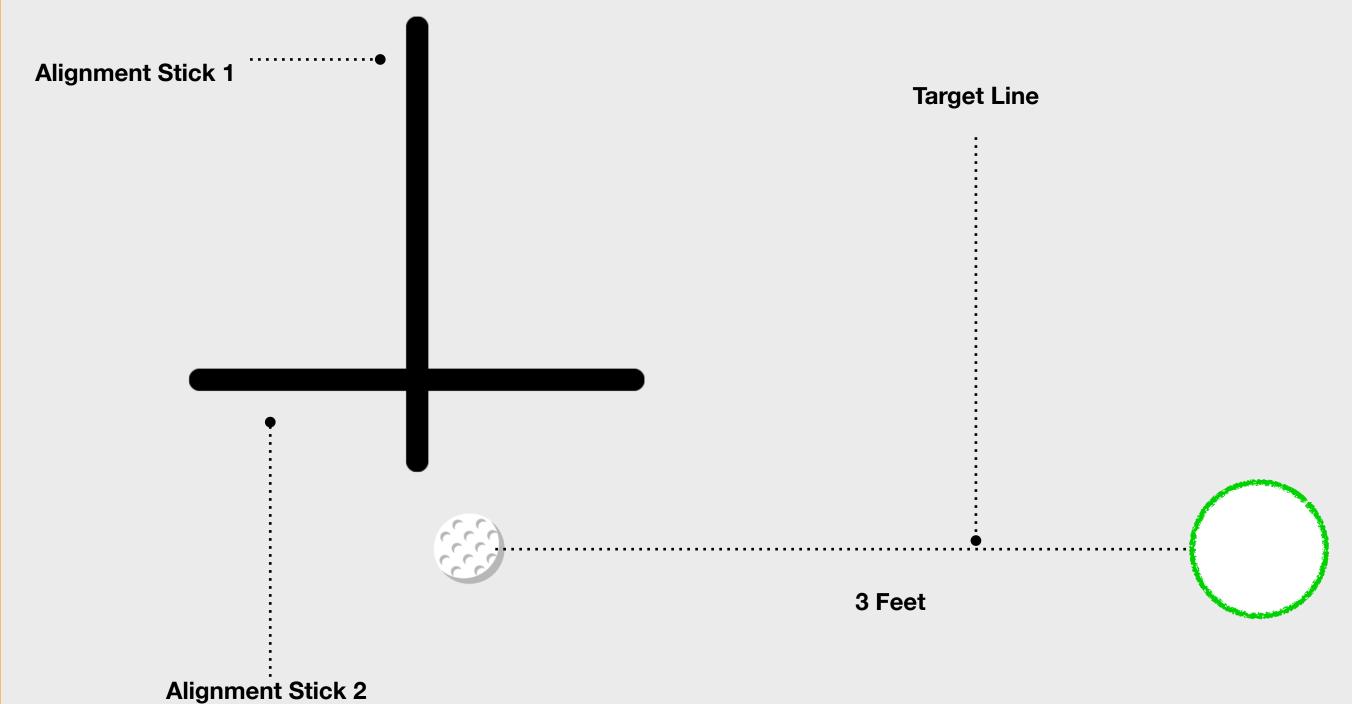
Class Layout and Setup







Clubface Alignment Activity





Equipment Needed

- 2 Alignment Sticks
- Putter
- Golf Ball

How to Practice

- Set this activity up on flat green surface with a tee peg, ball marker or coins on the ground where the putter should be placed
- The learner should practice placing the putter behind the golf ball with the face aligned to the alignment stick (square to the target line)
- Encourage errorful practice whereby a poorly aligned putter face impacts the balls starting direction
- At the start get them used to pushing the ball with a square, closed and open club face to see the impact on the clubface aim
- Build this into a putting stroke

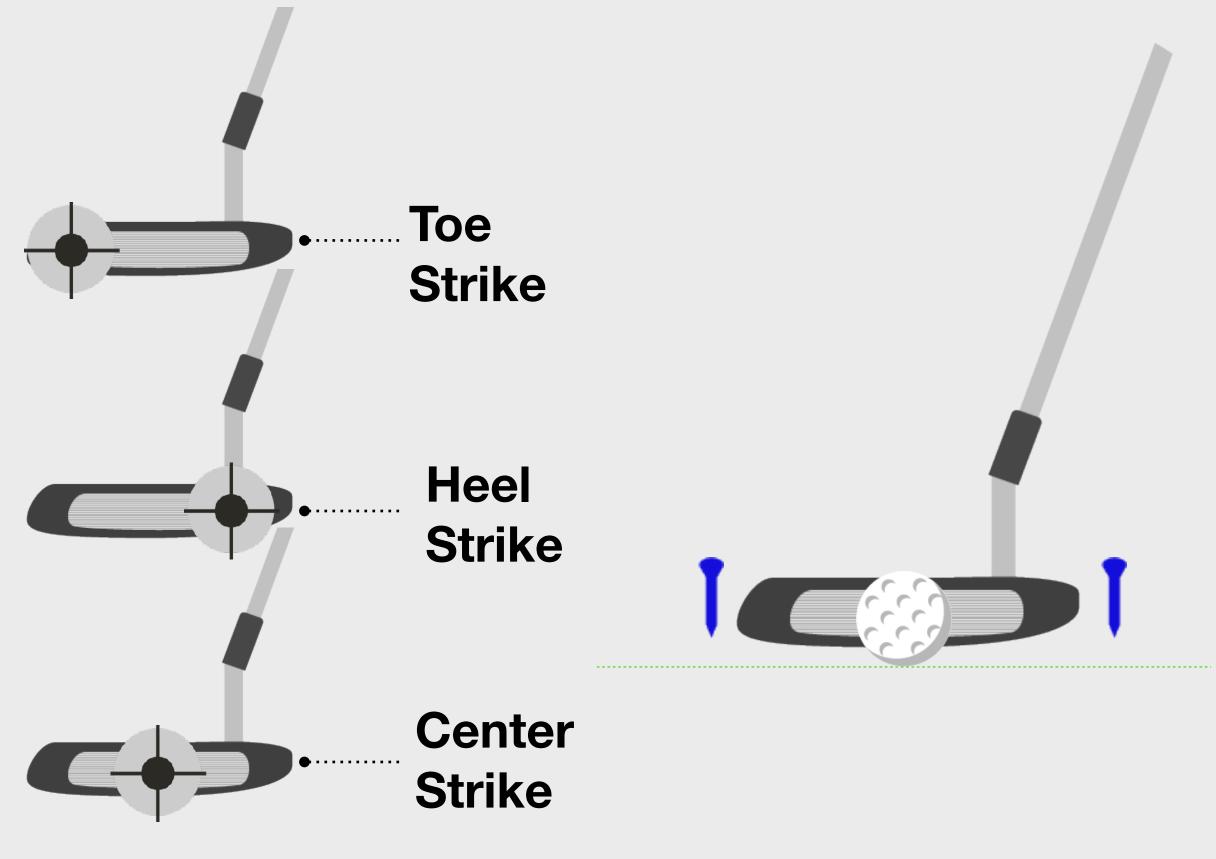
Technical Link

- This activity will help the learner to understand how to alignment the club face correctly to the target
- This activity will help the learner to understand how a poorly alignment club face may impact the starting line of the golf ball
- This activity will help the learner to understand how a square club face looks when looking down at address





Clubface Impact Activity





Equipment Needed

- 2 Tee Pegs
- Putter
- Golf Ball

How to Practice

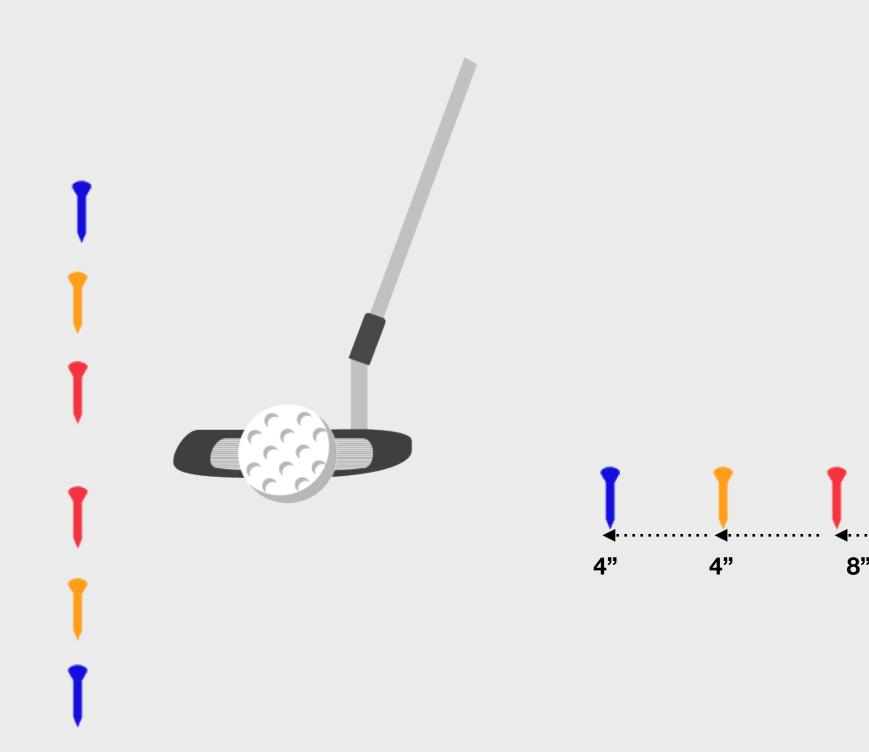
- Set this activity up on flat green surface with a tee peg, ball marker or coins on the ground where the putter should be placed
- Get the learner to place the centre of the putter on the ground onto of the marker, tee peg or coin
- Place two tee pegs either side of the putter head, one outside of the toe of the putter and one outside the heel
- Get the learner to attempt the swing the putter head between the tee pegs with and without the ball
- Get them to engaging in errorful practice whereby they deliberately strike either tee to understand the impact of an off centre strike
- Get the to listen to the change in sound when they do this and the impact on the distance the ball travels

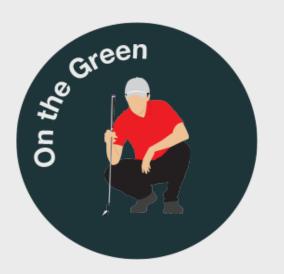
Technical Link

- This activity will help the learner to understand how to get the centre of the putter head to sit properly on the ground
- This activity will help the learner to understand the impact of an off centre strike on the sound of the ball off the putter
- This activity will help the learner to understand the impact that strike has on the distance the ball travels

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Swing Length Ladder





Equipment Needed

- 6 Tee Pegs
- Putting
- Golf Ball

How to Practice

- Get the learner to practice swinging the putter from and to the first tee pegs either side of the ball (red)
- As they practice, get them to count 1, 2. They should time the end of the backstroke with the the one count and the end of the through stroke with the two count
- Get them to hit a few putts and see how far the ball travels
- Next, get the learner to swinging the putter from and to the second tee pegs either side of the ball (red). Again they should reproduce the count of 1, 2.
- Get them to hit a few putts and see how the ball travels further
- Finally, replicate for the final set of tee pegs.

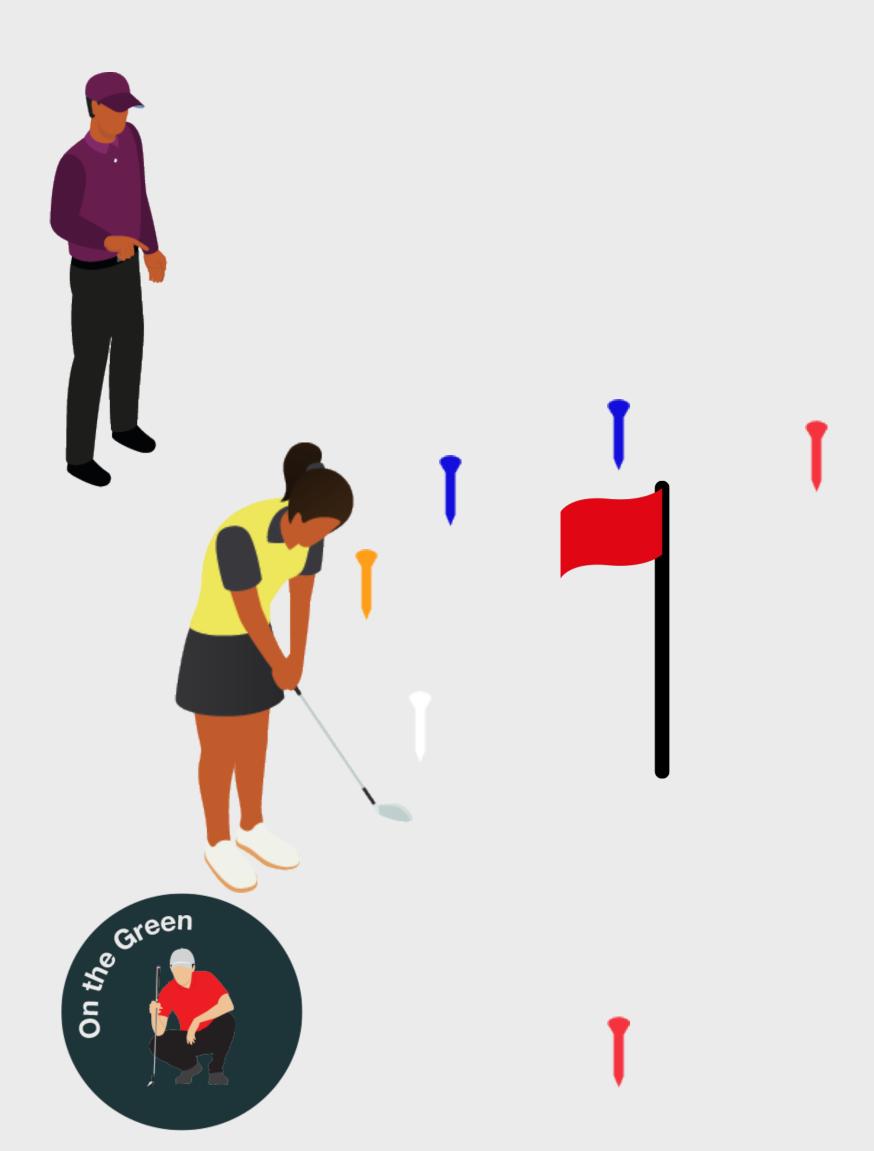
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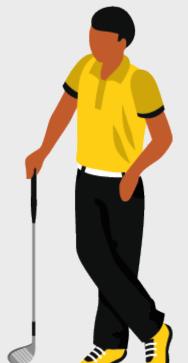
- This activity will help the learner to understand the concept of Swing Length, Rhythm and Tempo
- It will help the learner to understand that as swing length changes, the distance the ball travels changes
- It will help them to understand how length of swing transfers to distance





Short Putts Spiral













• Tee pegs to mark the ten spiral distance between 1 foot and 10 foot from the hole

How to Play

- A learner starts by attempting to putt their ball into the hole from the first tee peg 1 foot from the hole
- If they are successful, they move to the next tee peg, 2 feet from the hole
- If unsuccessful they repeat their attempt from the first tee peg
- The learners attempt to complete all tee pegs in the spiral
- This game can be played individually, in pairs or small groups

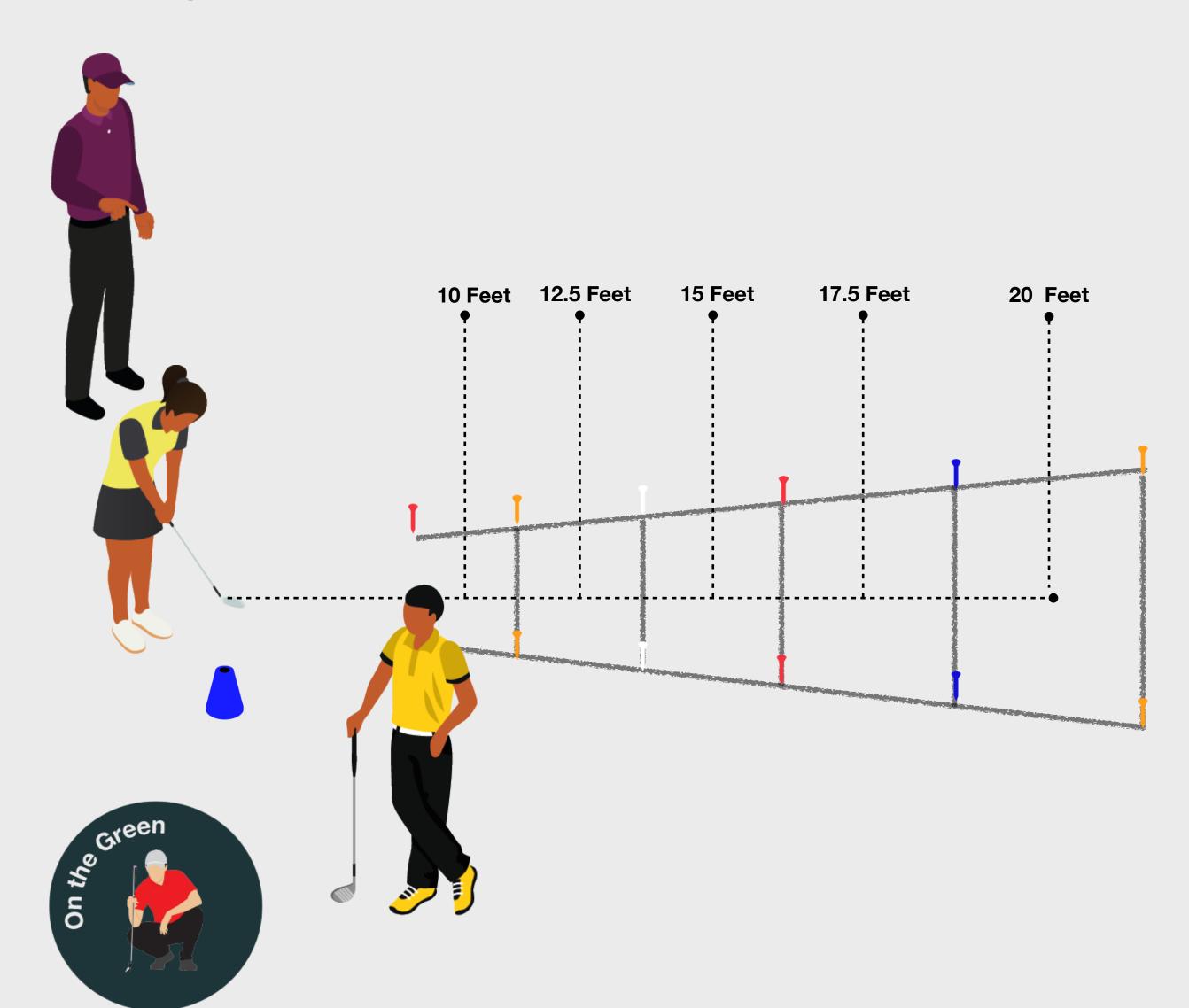
Progression Ideas

- Change the location of each tee peg
- Vary the starting distance of the first tee peg
- Vary the distance between the tee pegs
- Attempt the distances in reverse
- Add a consequence to the game by limiting the number of attempts before moving back a tee peg
- Play on a more severely sloped surface









Equipment Needed

- String for the target boxes
- 12 tee pegs cones to mark the edge on
- A single cone to represent the starting position

How to Play

- A learner starts by attempting to putt their ball into the first and smallest box on the ladder
- If they are successful, the return to the starting position and attempt their next go to the second box
- If unsuccessful they repeat their attempt to the first box
- The learners attempts to complete all Levels on the ladder to complete the game
- This game can be played individually, in pairs or groups

Progression Ideas

- Vary the size of the boxes
- Vary the distance between the starting point around and the boxes
- Increase the number of shots that must go into the boxes before the box is completed
- Attempt the boxes in reverse
- Add a consequence to the game by limiting the number of attempts before moving back a box.





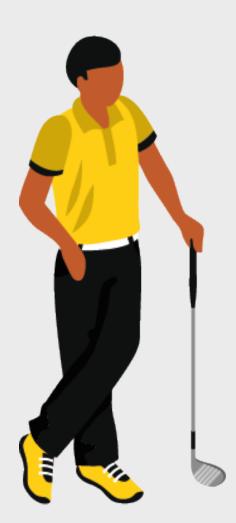




Secondary Skill

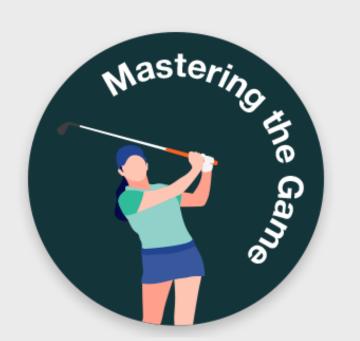
To allow for variety of practice during the session, and to enable those that may have missed a class to catch up on practicing some of the other skills we recommend having one of the stations set up as a secondary skill.

This week's secondary skill is **Swing**, providing learners an opportunity to practice what was learnt in the "Introduction to Swing" class the on the first week.





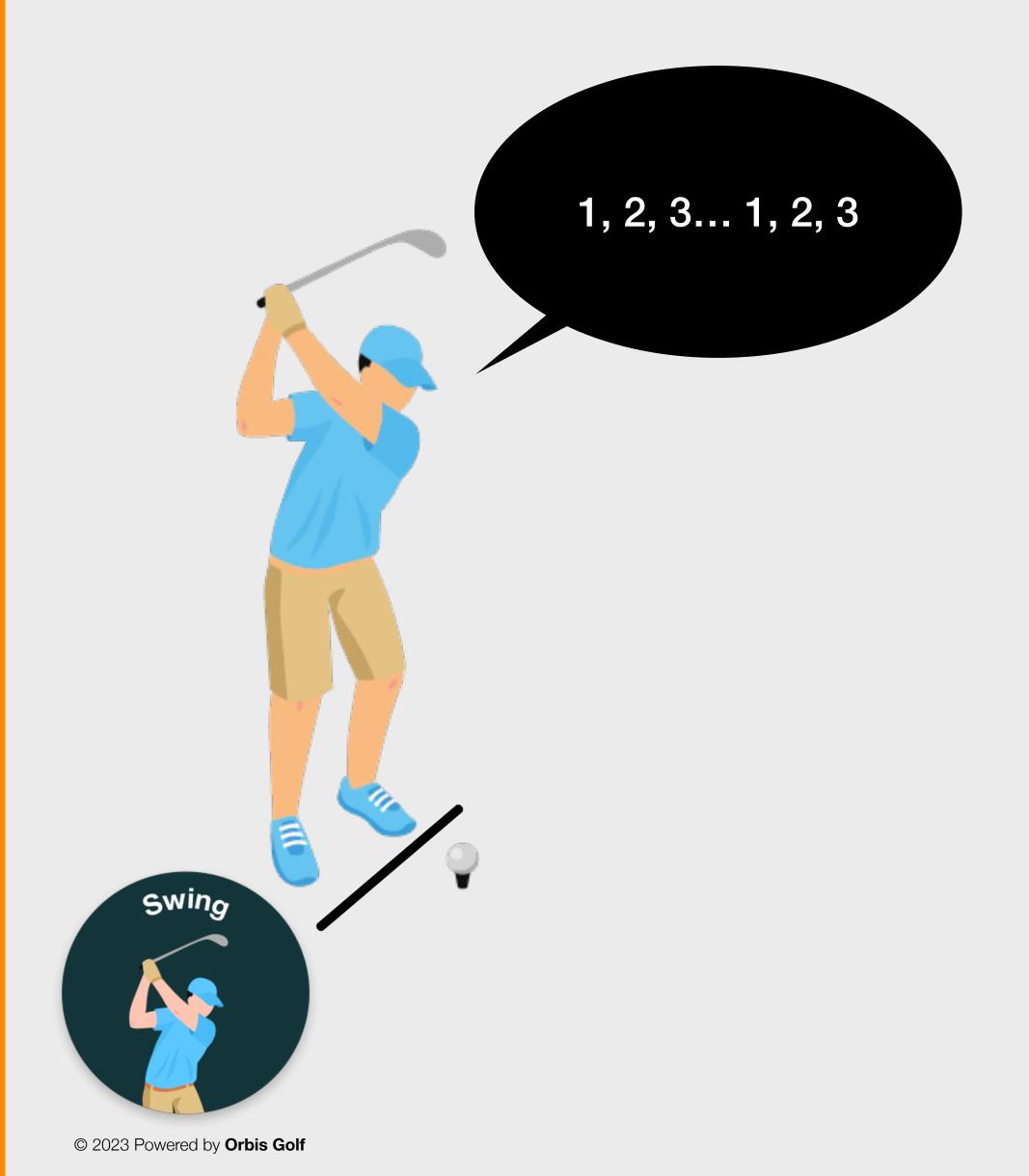












Equipment Needed

- Driving range
- Fairway wood
- Golf balls

How to Practice

- Learners should understand the importance of rhythm and tempo in their golf swing
- Demonstrate the importance of maintaining a consistent swing speed
- This consistent swing speed and rhythm will develop consistency of strike and ultimately more consistent shots

Technical Link

 Allow the learners to quicken and slow their swing speed and rhythm and see the changes in consistency of strike and shot



Orange

Short Putts Challenge





The Challenge

To complete the Level 1 Challenge the learner needs to putt 2/5 balls in the hole from 3 feet on a flat green surface from one position around the hole.

What should the Learner do next?

After attempting the challenge, the learner should:

- Log in to the GLF. Connect App
- If they complete the challenge, mark it as complete in the Challenge Section

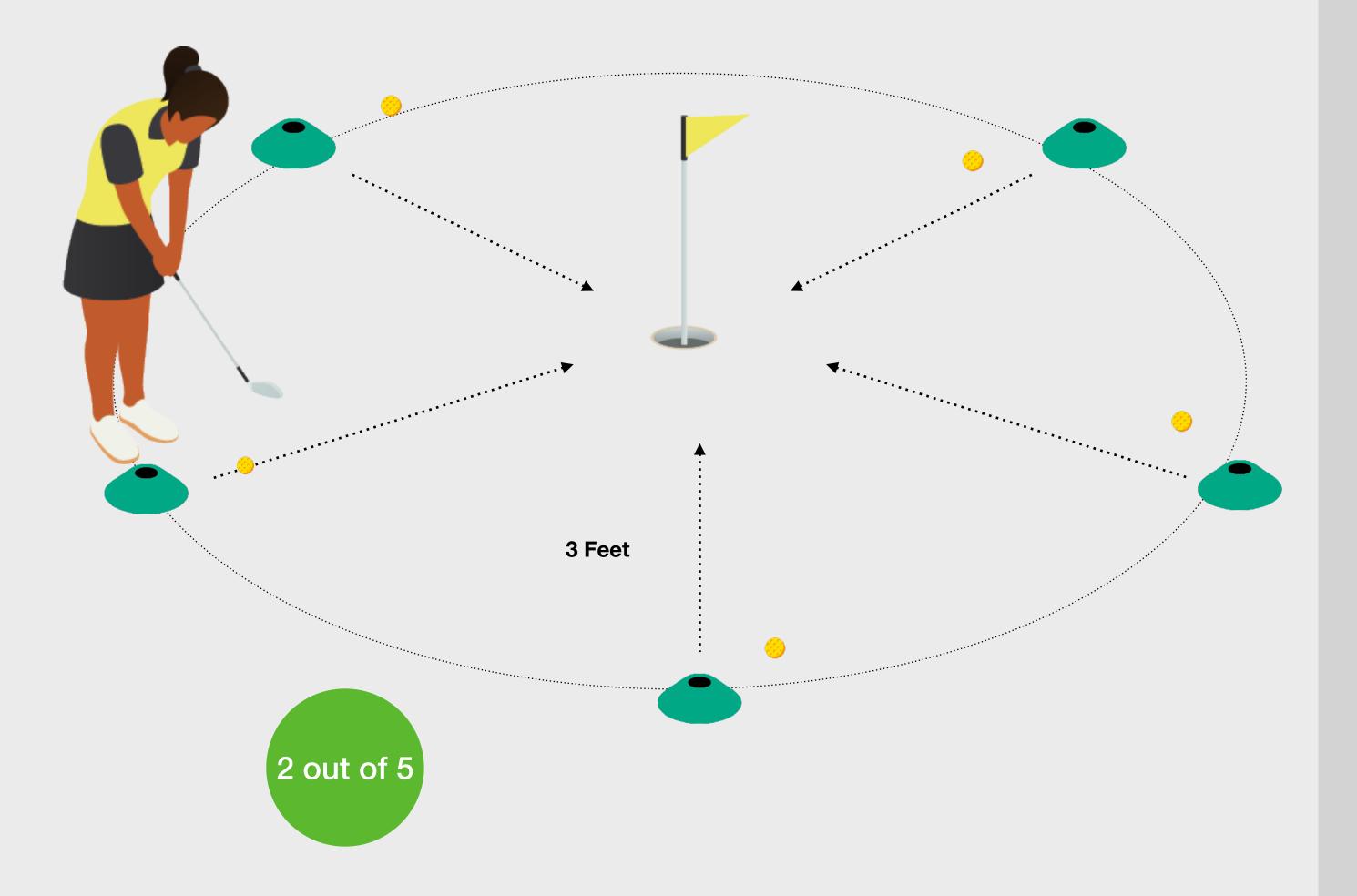


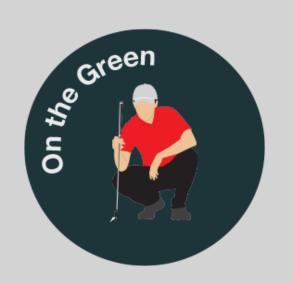






Short Putts Challenge











To complete the Level 2 Challenge the learner needs to hole 2 out of 5 putts from a distance of 3 feet from 5 different positions around the hole.

What should the Learner do next?

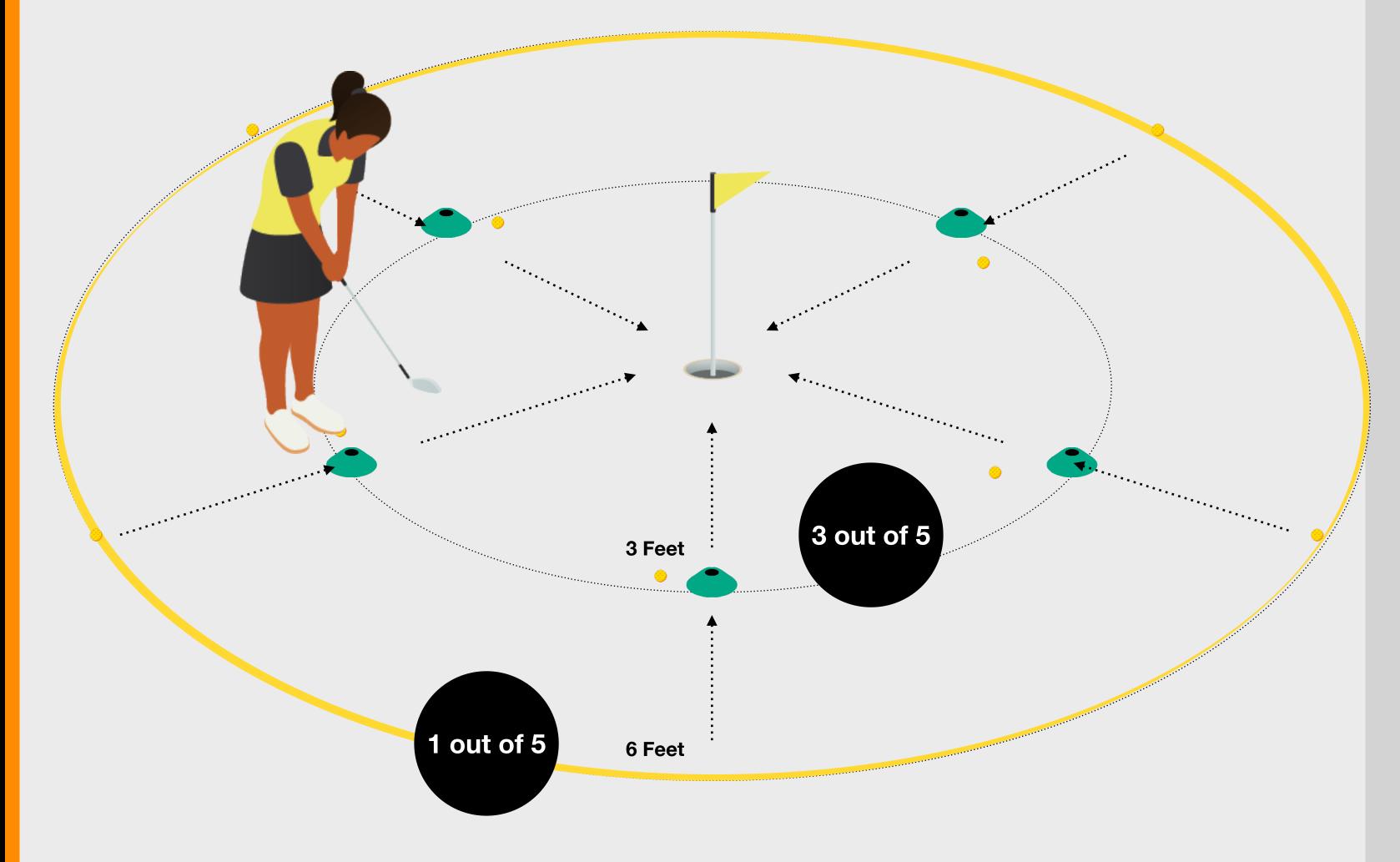
- Log in to the GLF. Connect App
- If they complete the challenge, mark it as complete in the Challenge Section







Short Putts Challenge







The Challenge

To complete the Level 3 Challenge the learner needs to hole 3 out of 5 putts from a distance of 3 feet and and 1 out of 5 putts from 6 feet from 5 different positions around the hole.

What should the Learner do next?

- Log in to the GLF. Connect App
- If they complete the challenge, mark it as complete in the Challenge Section



