Scouting Striking Field Games

(e.g. Baseball, Cricket, Over-the-line)

Watching the other teams play each other can help your own team as well. Team Scouts are the people who gather information about other teams. Doing so will make you find what they do well and what their weaknesses might be. This information can help your team when planning and preparing for the next game. Imagine how much it would help your team be successful, if you know what the opposing team is going to do!

What to watch for?

Remember to focus one just a few aspects of how the other teams’ play. For example, you could focus on a) how well the fielders cover the field (e.g., do they look like they are out of position?), b) the strength and accuracy of their throws from the outfield, c) how well the infielder catch throws to the bases, and how attentive the base runners are, etc. Try to answer the following questions. This should help you have a better game when you play them next.

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| *Who is/are the stronger infielders on their team? What are their strengths?*  *Who is/are the stronger outfielders on their team? What are their strengths?* |
| *Who are the better hitters on their team?* |
| *How well do the infielders adjust and support their outfielders on long base hits?* |
| *How well do the fielders play their position? Do they help each other up?* |

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