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How to Analyse any Tactical Game Situation and Practice it by Creating a Drill. Tactical Example below:

INIESTA'S DRIVING RUNS TO CREATE ATTACKING OPTIONS



Iniesta moves forward through the gap in the midfield and he has to choose between a diagonal pass to Abidal, to Messi or even Villa.

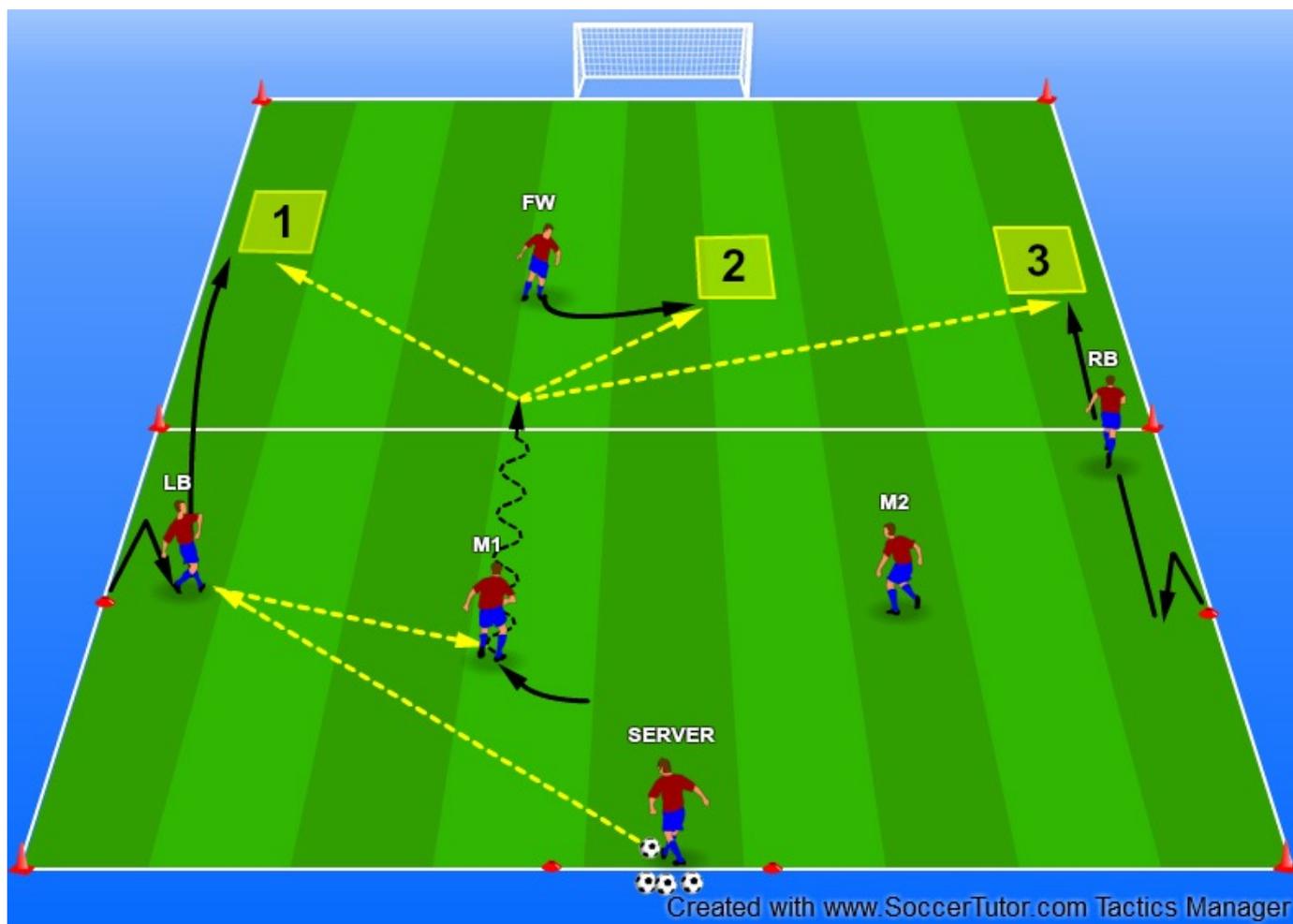


ASSESSMENT

Iniesta was an integral link player and would always look to receive the ball in the gap between the midfield and defensive lines of the opposition.

He did this far more than the other midfielders.

FC Barcelona - Midfield Driving Runs to Create Attacking Options



Objective

To develop midfield driving runs forward with the ball and create attacking opportunities in the final third.

Description

The server plays the ball out wide to a choice of either full back that must check to create space before receiving the ball.

The full back plays the ball inside to either midfielder (M1 or M2) who quickly runs with the ball forward to create attacking opportunities in the final third.

In this case runs made off the ball have created 3 different attacking options.

Coaching Points

1. Check to create space before receiving the ball
2. Open body shape to be aware of other players
3. Midfield runs with the ball straight and at an angle - this will create different attacking runs.
4. Vary the attacking runs - inside to out, out to in.

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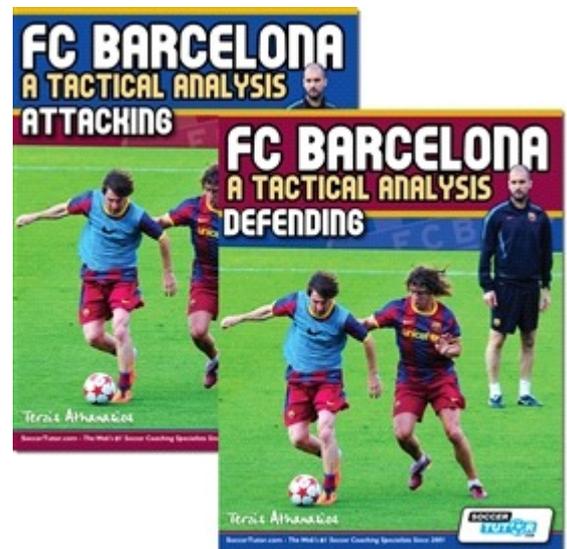
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