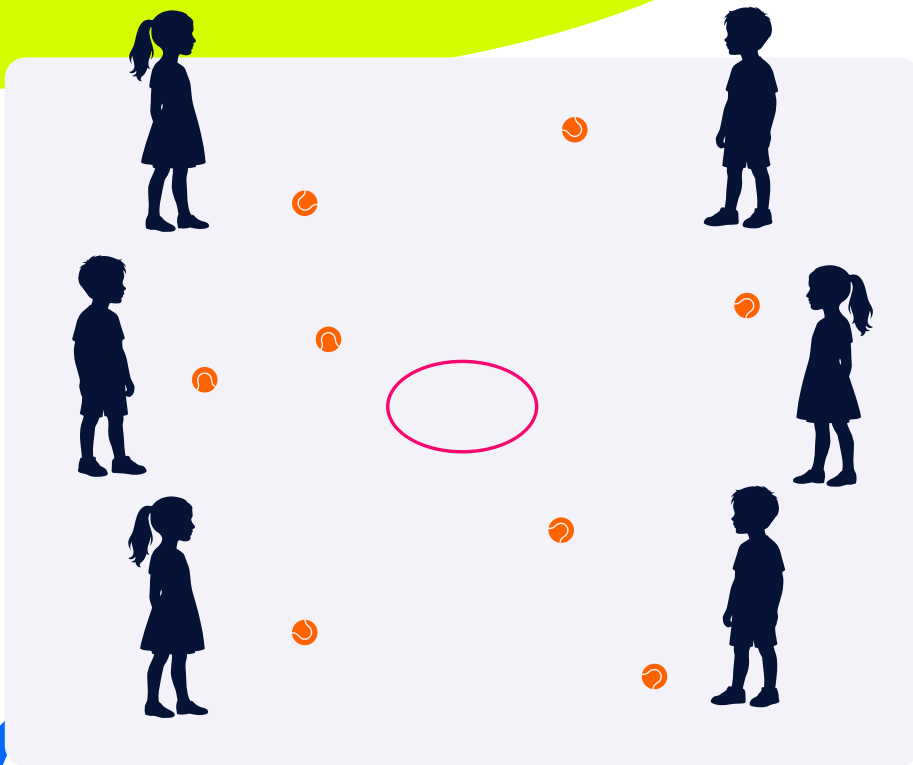


SAFARI WARM UP:

Move like Safari Animals

Set the scene:

“Welcome to the safari, today you are going to move like safari animals.”



Brain focus
activities:



Equipment:



Balls or bean bags



Bucket, hoop or basket

How to Play:

- Stand with the children in a circle with a bucket / hoop / basket in the middle and introduce them to the theme – tennis ball safari.
- Call out the actions and model the movements of the animals so that children can copy.
- Start with just three actions and build up if the children are ready.
 - **Giraffe:** reach up high (big stretch).
 - **Elephant:** stomp like an elephant (marching with force).
 - **Hare:** bounce like a safari hare (gentle jumping).
 - **Rhino:** Stomp on all fours (stomping).
 - **Cheetah:** fast feet (in a space).
- Now it's time to feed the animals:
 - Spread the balls out around the space – this is the animals food.
 - Call out an animal and children move like that animal to collect a ball and place it in the bucket / hoop / basket.
 - Repeat the activity as many times as you wish, placing all the balls out: “Oh no! The food escaped! We need to collect the food for the animals.”

TEACHING POINTS:

- Make the movements big and overacted.
- Gently place the ball into the bucket / hoop / basket.
- Include lots of repetition.

SKILL UP:

- Add in more animal actions.
- Increase the space.
- Children can choose which animal action they want to try themselves.



SEE IT IN ACTION