

Accountability

2-5 minutes | Grades K-8

Coach cue	Accountability means owning your part and doing something to make it better.
Game scenario	You missed your assignment because you were talking during instructions.
Try it	Rehearse three short lines: “I missed my assignment. I was talking. Can we go over my spot?” Then let partners make up their own.
Huddle question	What’s the difference between explaining a mistake and making an excuse?

Player check-in

Read each question aloud. Have players vote A, B, or C.

1. You missed the instructions. What shows accountability?

- **A.** Say a teammate distracted you
- **B.** Pretend you understood
- **C.** Own it and ask to hear your job again

2. After saying sorry for being late, what is a follow-through step?

- **A.** Hope nobody remembers next time
- **B.** Make a plan to get ready earlier
- **C.** Ask someone to cover for you

3. You forgot to return the practice ball. What can you do?

- **A.** Say you forgot and bring it back
- **B.** Say nobody told you
- **C.** Wait for someone else to replace it

4. You bump a teammate while rushing in line. What comes next?

- **A.** Say they were in your way
- **B.** Pretend it didn’t happen
- **C.** Check on them and slow down

Ask the team	Write one sentence that owns a mistake and offers a next step.
At home	What could you do after forgetting a job you agreed to do at home?

Coach answer key **1. C** **2. B** **3. A** **4. C**

One takeaway for our next practice _____