

# TOOLS FOR LEARNING **PARALYMPIC GAMES**



## PARA ALPINE SKIING

## STUDENT TARGETS

- Skill: I will safely change directions to avoid obstacles.
- Cognitive: I will remain aware of my surroundings and adapt to each course.
- **Fitness:** I will discuss the importance of routine physical activity.
- Personal & Social Responsibility: I will demonstrate personal
- responsibility by using equipment properly.

### ACTIVITY SET-UP & PROCEDURE

#### Equipment:

- Multiple cones
- I scooter or wheelchair per student
- 2 foam scooter paddles per student
- Event cards

#### Set-Up:

- 1. Mark each event space with event cards. The events flow like an obstacle course, with 1 ending where another begins. This allows students to move through the course.
  - a. Downhill: 1 cone at the start, 1 at the finish.
  - b. Slalom: cones side by side, 4' apart to simulate gates (8–10 gates).
  - c. Giant Slalom: cones side by side, 8' apart to simulate gates (3–4 gates).
  - d. Para Snowboard: 1 cone at the start, 1 cone at the finish.
- **2.** Create 4 equal groups. Each group at 1 of the 4 starting points, each student with a scooter and 2 foam scooter paddles.

#### **Activity Procedures:**

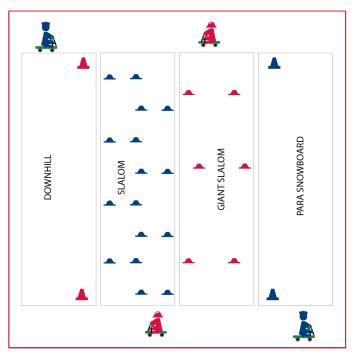
- 1. It's time for Para Alpine Skiing. In the Paralympic Games, this event features 6 disciplines: downhill, slalom, giant slalom, super-G, super combined, and team events. Today we will be focusing on downhill, slalom, and giant slalom, along with Para Snowboard.
- 2. The objective of today's activity is to complete the obstacle course while staying safely in control of your body and your scooter.
- 3. You'll start at 1 event and make your way through the entire course.
- 4. Downhill: sit cross-legged on your scooter and use the paddles to move straight to the finish.
- 5. Slalom & Giant Slalom: sit cross-legged on your scooter and use the paddles to move through each gate.
- **6.** Para Snowboard: sit sideways on your scooter, place the paddles on your lap, and use your hands and/or feet to move to the finish.

#### Grade Level Progression:

3<sup>rd</sup>: Students can use their feet to help push. 4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>: Play the activity as described.

## TEACHING CUES

- Control Paddles
- Seet Up
- Eyes Forward
- Move Safely in Space









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