

# Whole Part or Mini Games, Which One is the Most Effective Training Method to Improve Forearm Passing Ability in Volleyball?

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Abstract—Forearm passing is the basic technique most needed in volleyball games. If this basic technique is not mastered, the game will not run and make the team lose. Therefore, it is necessary to practice that can improve and be easy to learn such as whole part exercises and mini games, because beginners are easier to learn new things. Hand eye coordination also influences the level of one's ability to learn forearm passing techniques. The purpose of this research was to figure out the difference of influence between whole part practice method and mini game practice method against the forearm passing ability in volleyball. 32 junior high school students who participated were selected in random order and division of groups used Ordinal Pairing technique. Treatment was given to all subjects for 6 weeks. The subjects were evaluated by 2 tests, the Hand-Eye Coordination Test and the Forearm Passing Ability Test. As a result, there is a significant difference between the whole part training group and the mini games training group in the forearm passing ability test. Mini games training is better than the whole part one. In addition, in the hand-eye coordination test, there was a difference of influence between students with high and low hand-eve coordination. Students with high hand-eve coordination are better than students with low hand-eye coordination. As for the interaction, it shows that there is a significant interaction between training methods and hand-eye coordination against the forearm passing ability in volleyball. According to these results, the mini-game practice method with high hand-eye coordination has the more effective impact in training and is able to improve forearm passing ability in volleyball.

Keywords—forearm passing, hand-eye coordination, mini games, volleyball, whole part.

# I. INTRODUCTION

Many sports activities in everyday life are done by hand. One of them is volleyball game [1]. Volleyball is a competitive sport that is played in various places, depending on whether it is done indoors or outdoors. Thus, the indoor volleyball is played on a hard surface which is mostly made of wood or other synthetic materials [2] [3]. Volleyball gives emphasis on explosive movements such as jumping, hitting, and blocking [4]. Volleyball is relatively played in small areas with high intensity and it uses explosive strength compared to other ball games [5] [6]. A coach must strongly believe that players must master basic skills before they can play volleyball satisfactorily. In volleyball there are some basic techniques that can be learned, including service, passing, set up, smash, and blocking. Among the five

techniques, passing technique is the most basic technique that needs to be mastered because this technique aims to regulate the course of the game and at the time of defense [7].

Passing is a technique of receiving the ball and swinging back to the intended direction. This technique is a basic technique in the volleyball game and should be known by those who want to do the game [8]. Forearm passing is very important in the volleyball game as it is the first step to arrange the striking pattern to the opponent. Due to the difficulty of mastering the forearm passing technique, it is necessary to continue the training regularly and earnestly [9].

One of the trainings that is considered capable in providing the improvement for athlete skills is a whole part training method. Athletes train overall skills and the component parts independently. In passing, the "whole" will be the movement of the legs and arms, ball contact, and recovery. In contrast, "parts" will focus on one element of the whole skill, for example, contact ball [10] [11].

The part method is taught or trained from the first part of the procedure, followed by the last second part of the procedure, and followed again by more trainings. The whole method is taught or trained with the procedure as a whole, followed by trainings [12] [13].

Other training method is mini games. Mini game is one of the principles of learning by putting tactical learning into the game, where teachers or coaches give directions based on game design, as mini games teach participants in considering how the rules affect their ability to play and how their decisions affect other players [14]. Mini games provide the main media, which, if done, will be able to achieve what they want to achieve, as this method is one of the most meaningful, relevant and interesting methods for learners [15] [16]. With mini-games training method, students receive intrinsic feedback on game performance and extrinsic feedback from the coach, after which it is evaluated to form new game plans that can improve the skill or skill being The intuitive assumptions are about how trained [17]. students learn in the form of small games and understand how this approach might work for teaching and learning [18].

In addition, one of the factors that play an important role in mastering the ability of forearm passing is hand-eye coordination. Hand-eye coordination lies at the core of our



daily activities and interactions with objects and people around us, and is central to understanding how the brain creates and produces movement within it. Hand-eye coordination remains a very complex and elusive problem, since the coordination of eye and hand movements requires proper spatiotemporal activation of subcortical structures that control eye and hand [19].

Coordination is required in almost all sports and games. Coordination is also important when being in unfamiliar situations and environments, such as changing of field matches, equipment, weather, lighting, and opponents encountered [20]. People who have different ages and who perform physical activity on different levels influence they hand-eye coordination. So the pattern of coordination seems to be caused by many factors [21].

The rest of this paper is organized as follow: Section II describes proposed research method of this work. Section III presents the obtained results and following by discussion in section IV. Finally, Section V concludes this work.

#### II. METHOD

## A. Participants

32 junior high school students participated in the research. Subjects were randomly selected from a population of 65 people and the division of the group used Ordinal Pairing techniques. Thus, 32 students were divided into 4 groups. All participants come from Jambi, Indonesia and are students who participate in volleyball extracurricular program. The average participant is 13-15 years old. The training method and objectives explain the variables to be evaluated. Prior to pretest, all populations have a throw-and-catch test using a tennis ball for group division. The group of high hand-eye coordination consisted of 16 people and the one with low hand-eye coordination had 16 people.

## B. Training Procedure

Treatment is given by 2 different training methods performed in 3 times a week, in 90 minutes per day. Trainings for all groups were designed with intensity, repetition, and equal size (ball contact). The two groups practice using the whole part training method. In addition, other group train using mini-games training method.

# C. Test Procedure

#### 1) Forearm Passing Ability Test

The purpose of this test was to measure the accuracy of forearm passing as depicted in Figure 1.

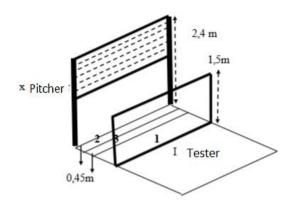


Fig 1. Instrument Forearm Passing Ability Test

One volleyball playing field was used in the test. Someone was on duty to throw a ball in a different field area. Participants stood behind the striking line in a different field area from the pitchers. Participants performed free passing ball moves but still in accordance with the valid passing rules based on the applicable rules. The ball, which was played illegally, which did not extend beyond the stretched rope above the striking line, which touched the net, and which fell outside the specified area failed and remained counted. Each participant got 6 chances. The assessment was according to the score the ball touches and the one recorded as the participant score is the number of four best scores.

### 2) Hand-Eye Coordination test

The purpose of this test was to measure hand-eye coordination. Subjects were first instructed with test objectives. The equipment consists of walls, tennis balls, target boards, gauges, ribbons for making lines and stationery. The procedure was the ball thrown with one hand and caught with the other hand. Each throw which hit target and was caught by hand earned a score of one. The ball must be thrown from the bottom. The ball must hit the target. The ball should be able to be instantly caught without the previous hitch. Participants did not move beyond the boundary line to catch the ball. Participants threw for 20 times (see Figure 2).

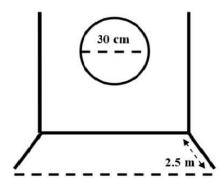


Fig 2. Instrument Hand-Eye Coordination test

#### D. Statistical Method

The statistical analysis method used Analysis of Variance (ANOVA) to evaluate the differences between groups of whole part training methods and groups of mini



games training methods in the pretest and posttest. Levene test is used to see whether the data is homogeneous, while Kolmogorov and Smirnov are used to see whether the data is normal. analysis. This template already sets the style and formatting for the paper, so you can use it by choosing the style name on the style box as shown in Figure 1.

## III. RESULTS

Table I shows the significant differences between pretest and posttest in both whole-part and mini-game groups. A significant difference (p<0.05) is found in Table II because the significance value of p is 0.006<0.05. Thus, there is a significant difference of influence between the whole part and mini games training method on the forearm passing ability in volleyball in the junior high school extracurricular students. Based on the results of the analysis, it turns out the mini games training method is better with the average value of posttest of 9.50 compared with the whole part practice method with the average posttest score of 7.88.

A significant difference (p<0.05) is found in Table III because the significance value of p is 0.000<0.05. This means that there are significant differences in influence on extracurricular students who have high hand-eye coordination and the ones with low hand-eye coordination on forearm passing ability in volleyball. Students with high hand-eye coordination are better than those with low hand-eye coordination.

TABLE I. PRETEST AND POSTTEST RESULTS OF FOREARM PASSING IN VOLLEYBALL.

		Hig	h Eye Hand C	oordinatio	n Group		
No		Whole P	Part		Mini games		
	Pretest	Posttest	Difference	Pretest	Posttest	Difference	
I	3	7	4	5	10	5	
II	5	6	1	4	9	5	
III	4	7	3	3	8	5	
IV	4	9	5	5	9	4	
V	5	9	4	5	10	5	
VI	6	8	2	5	11	6	
VII	5	8	3	4	8	4	
VIII	4	9	5	6	11	5	
Total	36	63	27	37	76	39	
Low Eye Hand Coordination Group							
No	Whole Part Mini games			ies			
	Pretest	Posttest	Difference	Pretest	Posttest	Difference	
I	5	6	1	5	7	2	
II	4	7	3	3	7	4	
III	5	7	2	5	6	1	
IV	4	6	2	6	6	0	
V	3	8	5	3	7	4	
VI	5	б	1	3	б	3	
VII	5	6	1	4	8	4	
VIII	4	7	3	5	7	2	
Total	35	53	18	34	54	20	

TABLE II. RESULTS OF ANOVA EXPERIMENT GROUP USINGWHOLE PART AND MINI GAMES TRAINING METHOD

Source	Type III Sum of		Mean	F	Sig	
	Square		Square			
Whole Part & Mini Games	8,000	1	8,000	8,871	0,006	

TABLE III. DIFFERENCES OF ANALYSIS OF INFLUENCE BETWEEN HIGH HAND-EYE AND LOW HAND-EYE COORDINATION.

	Source	Type III Sum of Square	df	Mean Square	F	Sig	-
_	Eye Hand	28,125	1	28,125	31,188	0,000	_
	Coordination						

TABLE IV. INTERACTION ANALYSIS BETWEEN TRAINING METHOD (WHOLE PART AND MINI GAMES) AND HAND-EYE COORDINATION (HIGH AND LOW)

ы,	Source	Type III Sum of Square	df	Mean Square	F	Sig
	Whole Part&Mini Games* Eye Hand Coordination	6,125	1	6,125	6,792	0,015

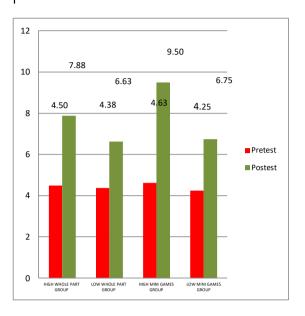


Fig. 3. Pretest and Postest Forearm Passing Ability Bar Chart

A significant difference (p<0.05) is also found in Table IV because the significance value of p is 0.015 <0.05. This means that there is a significant interaction between the training methods (whole part and mini games) and hand-eye coordination (high and low) on forearm passing ability in volleyball. Figure 3 depicts pretest and postest forearm passing ability bar chart.

## IV. DISCUSSION

The results also show that in the forearm passing test in volleyball, the four groups received the same training time in 6 weeks. The whole part and mini games training methods may have influenced the improvement in forearm passing positively. In Table I the average of group with high handeye coordination and mini games training method got increased by 39 points more than the group with high handeye coordination and whole part training method which got 27 points on the Forearm Passing Ability Test.

The reason for this difference is that mini game training method may be easier to understand and more fun so participants will be motivated to do the training. Research shows evidence that games can improve skills, abilities, and knowledge related to sports [22]. It is different from the whole part training method that is more directed to the technique of doing the right so it may make the participants bored or lack of excitement in doing the training. So, when compared to the whole part training method, mini games training method is more appropriate to improve the forearm passing ability in volleyball. Mini game trainings will make students more motivated as there are competitive games in the training so that students will concentrate on the training. Equally important, hand-eye coordination plays an important



role in improving a skill. Hand-eye coordination is a skill that can be trained and can contribute to increasing the player's motor potential. It can also influence the movement efficiency and thereby improve player performance in competitive situations [23]. Hand-eye coordination is especially needed in individual sports games, especially in handball, basketball, volleyball, racket sports, which require hand skill motor.

#### V. CONCLUSION

This research shows that the application of whole part and mini games training methods has significant influence on the of forearm passing ability in volleyball of junior high school curricular students. This shows that in the forearm passing ability in volleyball, the application of mini games method is more appropriate in improving the forearm passing ability and mini game training method has proven to be able to give a significant influence in improving the forearm passing ability in volleyball. However, both training methods have positive impact on the increase in forearm passing in volleyball. This research has also been limited by the physical and mental state of the subject during the tests such as fatigue factors, and motivational factors. During the training process, the researcher cannot fully control what the sample (student) was doing outside the exercise. This indirectly influenced the results of research. Other limitations are based on a sample of students who are all male. The situation can be different if the sample is to be formed, for example only female students. There are lots of things that can be learned from the results of this research, as it provides useful information for trainers in developing their training strategies or programs.

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