

Jack Ramsay's 12 Keys to Becoming a Great Coach

Basketball is a game that is predicated on the execution of fundamentals.

The coach is a teacher, his subject is the fundamentals.

The highest level of achievement is obtained by the teams with the best conditioned players.

Even the greatest players have a level of improvement to achieve.

Even the greatest players accept coaching and value the need for discipline and the order it brings to the team.

Winning is more related to good defense than good offense.

Break-down drills, under simulated game conditions, are essential to team success.

Teams that play together beat those with superior talent who play as individuals.

There are no physical limits to TEAM achievements.

Although the game has become more sophisticated, simpler is always better in developing and teaching a system of play.

Players draw confidence from a poised, alert coach who anticipates changing game conditions.

