Tennis Knowledge Organiser
Key Skills

| Skill | Description |
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| stroke technique | A method used to hit the ball including forehand, backhand, volley, lob <br> and overhead. |
| movement on court | The ability to move to around the court so that the player is in the best <br> position to hit the ball. |
| decision making | The ability to choose the correct shot to use. |
| ready position | A skill and a starting position to get the body ready to return the serve <br> and hit a stroke. |
| match play | A technique used to understand the basics of the game, the rules, scoring <br> and the court. |

## Match

## A match is divided into sets.

A set is won when a player reaches 6 games.
A match is won when a player has won 2 sets apart from in Grand Slam tournaments, when male players must win 3 sets.


| Scoring | Court |
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The score starts at 0-0 which is known as 'love all'.
The score then increases as follows:

- first point: 15
- second point: 30
- third point: 40
- fourth point: game
$40-40$ is called deuce.
The umpire will always call the server's score first.

The court is:

- $78 \mathrm{ft}(23.77 \mathrm{~m}) \times 27 \mathrm{ft}(8.23 \mathrm{~m})$ for a singles match.
- $78 \mathrm{ft}(23.77 \mathrm{~m}) \times 36 \mathrm{ft}(10.97 \mathrm{~m})$ for a doubles match.

The court is divided by a net which is 3 ft ( 90 cm ) high.

On each side of the net are two services boxes and a set of tram lines.


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| Equipment | Tactical Skills |
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| Each player has a tennis racket <br> which is used to hit the ball. | changing speed and <br> direction |
| The tennis ball must be a certain |  |
| size (2.5-2.7in) and mass (56- |  |
| $59 \mathrm{~g})$. | awareness of others <br> timing <br> decision making |

Physical Fitness
coordination
agility
reaction time
power
stamina


