

PGA BEST PRACTICES: PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

Customize the Content of Get Golf Ready



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The reason I think Get Golf Ready is the best program out there for teaching new golfers is the adaptability it affords the instructor. I see a lot of people come out for Get Golf Ready that say they're total beginners, but I can tell most of them have at least tried to play golf before. As a result, some of them already have some idea of how to swing the club and play the game. For those groups who initially think the instruction is too simplistic, I've changed the curriculum around a bit to add some more technical elements of golf instruction. Then when they get on the golf course, they're confident that they have the swing knowledge they need.

Golf is all about the fear factor, and my Get Golf Ready graduates always say, "Wow, that wasn't as hard as I thought it would be." That's because they have confidence in themselves because of what they've been taught. In a golf-savvy area like the Southwest, even the "beginners" usually know something about the game. By using the flexibility built into Get Golf Ready, I can shift gears and teach these new students in the best way for them.

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