

# Volleyball Play-by-Play Phrases

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**Serve:** Send it over, service ace, service error, serving error, overhand serve, right-hand serve, drives it over, floats it over, short-serve, deep-serve, looks to Mike Jordan for the service call, stand-still serve, jump-serve

**Set:** Front set, back set, quick to the middle, quick set, set up, bump-set, pass, shank, over-hand pass, overpass/overset (bad pass sent over the net), overhand set, DOUBLE-CONTACT (awkward set), LIFT - throwing the ball over, running the offense

- **FIRST HIT AFTER A SERVE** - receives, reception, controls, played, handled, gathers, passes

**Digs:** Dug out, diving dig/lunging dig/sliding dig, handled, controlled, received, overhand pass/overhand handle

**Attack/Kills:** Swings, outside, slide play, attack, crosscourt kill, cut shot, dink shot, pounds it home, pounds it through a block, buried it, off the block, gets the touch, around the block, attack error, dump play (fake attack), attacks from left-side (strong side), attacks from right side (weak side), swings from left/right antenna OR right/left pin, TOOLS A BLOCK OFF 'JONES' (Ricochet off the blocker), ROLL SHOT, drives, cranks, drills, smacks, smashes, crushes, TIP

**Block:** Solo block, double block, triple block, combo block, off the block off 'Jones', REJECTION, sent back, turned away

### **Service error**

**Court location:** Back row, front row, 10 foot line, far line, right line, back line, left antenna/left pin, right corner/back corner

**Other terms:** free ball, gets it down, touches down, lands on the hardwood/court, right-to-left, crosscourt, touch play, poked over, left-antenna, right-antenna, front-side, back-side, net violation, jousting at the net (or, tight at the net), overhead bump, OVERPASS, FIRST PLAY OFF A SERVE IS A RECEPTION - 'Jones Receives', TOOL A BLOCK (Ricochet off the blockers), TIP, Offspeed shot, intermission (between sets 2 & 3), roofing, set point #2 (bug), 4 touches, off the touch, off the block

Side-out (win on other teams serve), right line, left line, officials on the floor, up official, 'Jones' in the net, double-hit, joust (ball sitting on net - opponents going after it)