

BEGINNERS' LESSONS Welcome

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Tip

The Finesse



PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE

•The **FINESSE** is an attempt to gain a trick with a card that would normally be beaten by a higher card.

•Generally you should play a low card **TOWARDS** honour cards hoping that the second player has the missing honour card.

PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE Dummy A Q 3

You 974

How can we make 2 tricks in this suit?

Play a low card <u>TOWARDS</u> the Queen if 2nd player does not play the King

Hope that the 2nd player has the missing KING



PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE Dummy A 9 8

You Q J 10

How can we make 2 tricks in this suit?

Play the Queen. If 2nd player does not play the King, play a low card

Hope that the 2nd player has the missing KING



PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE Dummy K 9 8

You 764

How can we make 1 trick in this suit?

Play a low card <u>TOWARDS</u> the King if 2nd player does not play the Ace

Hope that the 2nd player has the missing ACE



PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE Dummy KQ8

You 432

How can we make 2 tricks in this suit?

Play a low card <u>TOWARDS</u> the King if 2nd player does not play the Ace ... then repeat playing <u>TOWARDS</u> the Queen

Hope that the 2nd player has the missing ACE



PLAY OF THE HAND – THE FINESSE

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As a **GENERAL** rule

When you have missing honours, keep an eye out for an opportunity to **FINESSE** hoping that the **second player** has the missing honours

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