

BEGINNERS' LESSONS

Welcome



Tip

Opening Leads



TWO TYPES OF CONTRACT

Suit Contracts

OR

NoTrump Contracts



Leads against a **Suit** Contract

DO

- **Lead partner's suit (if they have bid one)**
- **Lead TOP of a sequence**
- Lead a singleton in a side suit
- Lead your lowest card if you have an honour
- Lead top of rubbish cards



Leads against a **NoTrump** Contract

DO

- **Lead partner's suit (if they have bid one)**
- **Lead from your longest suit**
- Lead TOP of a sequence
- Lead your lowest card from an honour
- Prefer a major over a minor
- Lead top of rubbish cards



What would this lead by partner mean?



Top of a sequence

**Partner has the Jack (and hopefully
the 10 as well)**

Partner does NOT have the King



What would this lead by partner mean?



Low from an honour

Partner has a King, Queen or Jack of hearts
Partner has at least 3 hearts

NOTE: If defending against No Trumps,
partner may also have the Ace of the suit
led

If leading against a suit contract ... partner MAY have a singleton heart



What would this lead by partner mean?



Top of Rubbish

Partner has no honour cards in clubs

If leading against a suit contract ... partner MAY have a singleton club



Leads against a Suit Contract

DO NOT

- **DO NOT lead away from an Ace ... NEVER EVER EVER!!!**
- DO NOT lead away from broken honour suits eg K J 9 2
- DO NOT lead singleton honour cards
- TRY NOT to lead suits bid by the opposition

**DO NOT lead a suit with an Ace in it
Unless partner has bid that suit**

Or you lead the Ace (in which case, you have at least Ace AND King in the suit)



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