

# BEGINNERS' LESSONS Welcome

### Tip

### **Opening Leads**

#### TWO TYPES OF CONTRACT



### 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?

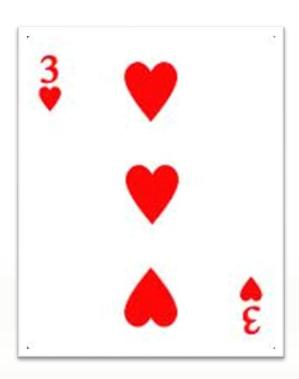


#### Top of a sequence

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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