

TIPS FOR NEW PLAYERS

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- Join a club and play regularly
- Find a partner and play regularly together
- Treat your partner nicely at all times – they will play better
- Study weekly with your partner
- Enter the local tournaments and play
- Visit and play at other clubs
- Play with your mentor (as often as they let you)
- Enroll in the intermediate bridge courses
- Learn and understand the convention card
- Join the ABA – be active in your club
- Read on your own – it's fun! Bidding/Defense/Play of the hand
- Review your score card with the duplicate scoring sheet after each game – understand what constitutes good duplicate scores.
- Play in the tournament team games – they are a lot of fun.
- Don't be afraid to play against the top players, you will learn from the experience.
(the wounds heal fast)
- Always count your points / 23 points is not game – control your bidding
- Don't be afraid to ask a question after you play, the experienced players will always help you.
- Never lose focus or concentration, that 1 point (Jack) in your hand could turn the set trick.
- Defense wins games