

## **Beginning Bridge**

### Week 1:

- a) Welcome and Introduction
- b) Bridge Basics
  - Cards, Suits and Ranks
  - Partnership
  - Bidding and Playing
  - Declarer, Dummy and Two defenders per hand
  - Following suit, Winning a trick and Counting tricks
- c) No Trump
  - Play prepared hand
  - Analysis
- d) Trump
  - Play prepared hand
  - Analysis
- e) Summary and Questions

### Week 2:

- a) Review and Questions
- b) Introduction to Bidding
  - 1. Major Suits and Responses
  - 2. Minor Suits and Responses
  - 3. No Trump (Responses Covered Later)
- c) Bid and Play prepared hands
- d) Analysis and Questions

### Week 3:

- a) Review and Questions
- b) Responding to opening No Trump
  - 1. Stayman Convention
  - 2. Transfers
- c) Bid and Play prepared hands
- d) Analysis and Questions

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### Week 4:

- a) Review and Questions
- b) Introduction to Competitive Bidding (Overcalls)
- c) Standard Opening Leads
- d) Attitude and Carding
- e) Bid and Play prepared hands
- f) Analysis and Questions

### Week 5:

- a) Penalty Doubles
- b) Take out Doubles
- c) Negative Doubles
- d) DSI Doubles
- e) Bid and Play prepared hands
- f) Analysis and Questions

### Week 6:

- a) Game Force Opening Bids and Responses
- b) Blackwood Convention
- c) Bid and Play prepared hands
- d) Analysis and Questions

### Week 7:

- a) Weak Two Bids and Responses
- b) Pre-emptive Bids
- c) Bid and Play prepared hands
- d) Analysis and Questions

### Week 8:

- a) Summary and Review
- b) 6 Board Open Play with Hand Records, Recap and Hand Analysis