

Room For Improvement

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How can one improve their bridge? Here are a few things one can stop doing if the item applies.

The Bidding

- bids to the three level or higher with a singleton in partners suit
- raises partner's pre-empt with only 2 cards
- overcalls a lousy five card suit
- doubles with:
 - two cards in an unbid suit
 - 4 or longer in the bid suit
- willingness to pass out 2♣ or 2♦
- passes when not sure of the bidding
- when partner bids, you will bid based on his points, making a bid of a suit one would never made otherwise.

Opening Leads

- leads an ace in partner's bid suit:
 - when holding 3 or more
 - when holding 2 in a suit contract with a natural trump trick that disappears once player makes a ruff.
- leads a club when partner opens a club
- leads dummy first bid suit
- leads from AQxx or KJxx at notrump
- Leads a singleton with no trump

The Play

- uses O/E after trick 6
- wins the trick with the king while still holding the queen in his hand.
- does not calculate how many points partner may have