

Ten Weeks to Basic Bridge

Syllabus / Fall 2021

- 2021-Sep-20** **Week 1: Fundamental Concepts.** Tricks & Trumps. Declarer. The Dummy hand. High card points. Choosing a Contract.
- 2021-Sep-27** **Week 2: Cardplay & Opening Bids.** General cardplay techniques. Opening leads. Standard carding. Choosing and reading opening bids.
- 2021-Oct-04** **Week 3: Suit Auctions.** Responding to Opener's bid. Rebidding as Responder. Forcing Bids. Limit Bids.
- 2021-Oct-11** **Week 4: Notrump Auctions.** Stayman convention. Jacoby transfers. Relay to Minors. Alerts and Announcements.
- 2021-Oct-18** **Week 5: Interfering in Their Auction.** Takeout Doubles. Simple overcalls. Jump overcalls.
- 2021-Oct-25** **Week 6: Coping With Interference.** Negative Doubles. Cuebids. Jordan 2NT.
- 2021-Nov-01** **Week 7: Specialized Opening Bids.** Strong Two-Club Opening Bids. Weak-Two Bids. Other preemptive bids.
- 2021-Nov-08** **Week 8: Slam Bidding.** Direct slam bids. Invitations to slam. Control-showing cuebids. Ace-asking bids (Blackwood and Gerber).
- 2021-Nov-15** **NO CLASS** – Come to Rookie Duplicate on Tuesday evening
- 2021-Nov-22** **Week 9: Standard American Extras.** Michaels Cuebid. Unusual Notrump. Jacoby 2NT. Alerts and explanations.
- 2021-Nov-29** **Week 10: Planning the Auction and Play.** Envisioning the likely final contract. Counting winners & losers. Creating winners. Eliminating losers.

All dates/topics subject to change. This syllabus was last revised 2021-Sep-04

Lesson fee: \$10 per person per night; discounts for under-25s.

Classes run from 7 pm to 9:30 pm on **Monday evenings** at:

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