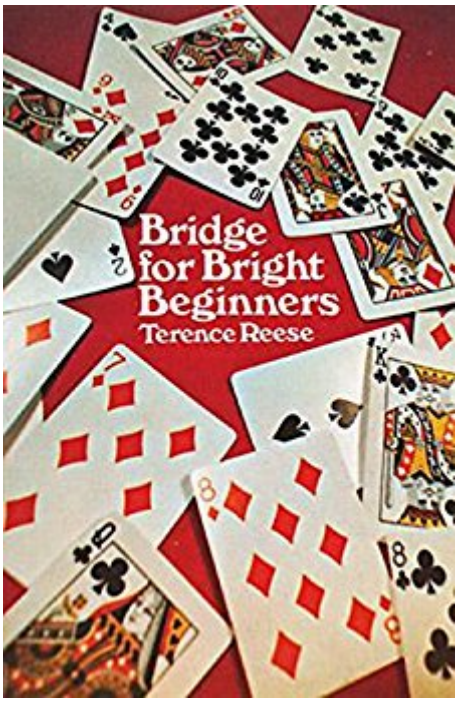
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# Bridge For Bright Beginners




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## Synopsis

Terence Reese, "the world’s best bridge player and best bridge writer" (The New York Times), turns his attention in this book to you, the bright beginner. He gives a complete guide to the game with sample bidding and sample game play and coverage of everything the beginner needs, from point count bidding to finesses, to make bridge the exciting, competitive game it is.Mr. Reese isn’t content with presenting rules the beginner will later abandon. Instead he builds up the game in simple steps with chapters on opening bids of one, responses, defensive overcalls, opening bids of more than one, play and defense in no trump, play and defense in suit, scoring, and so on, until the game is taught as you can expect to play it against strong competition. In the course of the book you will learn the common terms used in bridge, the fundamentals of offensive and defensive bidding and play, the reasons why bridge strategies work, and how to use such popular conventions as the Blackwood and the Stayman. Altogether you will have had experience evaluating 130 normal bidding hands and playing through 18 sample games. An index and summary of bidding at the end also make the book useful as an instant reference for later use.Both the bright beginner and the player who has had some experience will want to use this book to learn the fundamentals of bridge and increase his ability to establish best possible bid and play. For a further competitive advantage and even more bridge fun, you will also want to read Reese’s other bridge books, Bidding a Bridge Hand and Play Bridge with Reese.

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Great book for beginners. I am taking lessons and wanted a resource. This one is very good for my purposes.

I purchased this because it was the only reasonably priced bridge book available for Kindle. It feels dated because it is not as interactive as a bridge program I downloaded. To use this book you have to lay out the individual hands as you are led through the thought process in bidding. This is laborous. I would strongly recommend, that instead of buying this book that a I Pad user download an interactive tutorial.

Gift for my brother. Lots of information in easy to read format.

Good not great

If you have a bright beginner this is a great book. If you have a quitter, it is not.

An oldy but a goody with solid practical suggestions and examples for all phases of the great game. It was very useful for me as a refresher after a 25 year lay-off.

This little book uses a teaching strategy that one might think would be obvious: Explain what problems mean before showing readers how to solve them. The way it does so is to show how to play a hand before talking about bidding.I remember how frustrated I was when I first learned how to play bridge: I had a bunch of rules dumped on me about how to bid, and had no conception of whether or not a bid made sense beyond seeing whether it followed those seemingly arbitary rules. If I had read this book then, it would have let me avoid all that frustration.There is one point about which prospective readers of this book should be aware: It is based on British bidding style rather than American style. Nevertheless, I have absolutely no doubt that it deserves five stars, and should be much better known than it is.

I’ve played bridge for years. This book told me I still don’t know all there is to know.

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