



Play of the Hand



Suit Development

Knowing how to develop a suit is one of the valuable skills in bridge

There are Four Step:

- 1) Add the cards in the long suit in declarer's hand and dummy's hand.
- 2) Determine the number that the opponents hold.
- 3) Estimate the probable distribution of outstanding cards.
- 4) Check the entries needed to the hand with the long suit.

Odd/Even Rule

Whenever there are an **ODD** number of cards out against you – they usually divide as **EVENLY** as possible.

Whenever there are an **EVEN** number of cards out against you – they usually divide as **UNEVENLY** as possible.

The following Table outlines the distribution of cards

Cards Outstanding	Divided	Percent Distribution
7	4 - 3	62.2
	5 - 2	30.5
	6 - 1	6.8
	7 - 0	.5
6	4 - 2	48.5
	3 - 3	35.5
	5 - 1	14.5
	6 - 0	1.1
5	3 - 2	67.5
	4 - 1	28.3
	5 - 0	3.9
4	3 - 1	49.5
	2 - 2	40.7
	4 - 0	9.6
3	2 - 1	78.0
	3 - 0	22.0
2	1 - 1	52.0
	2 - 0	48.0