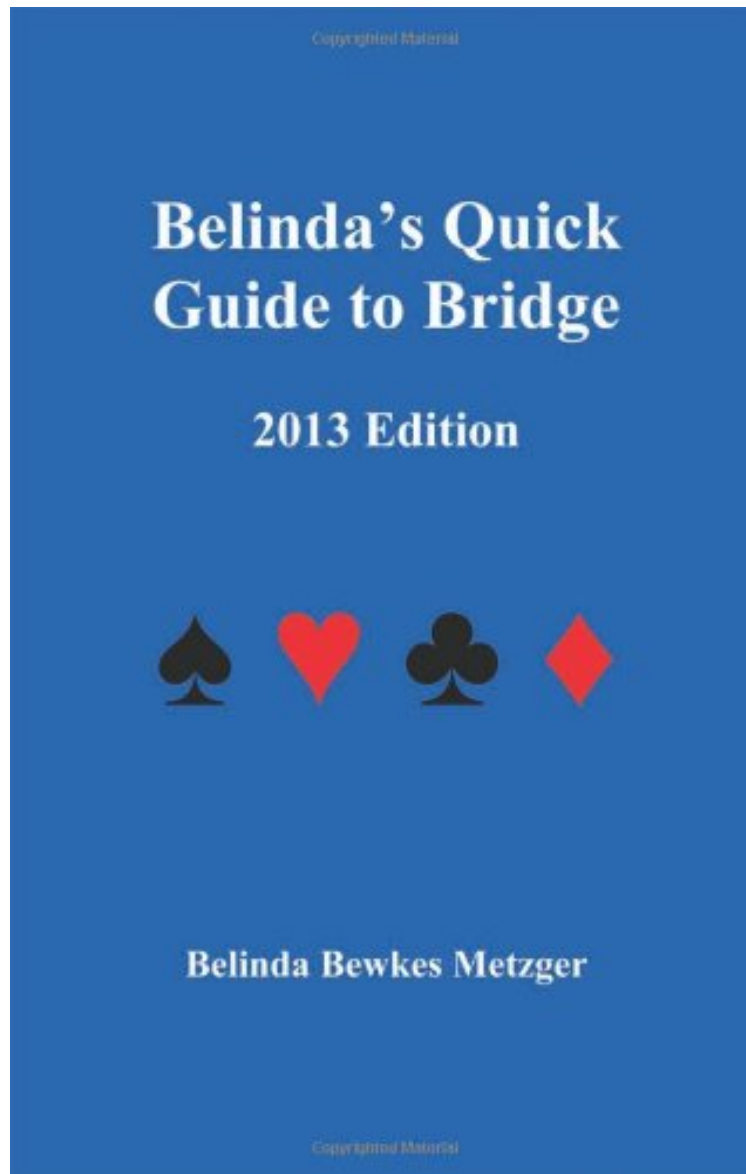


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Belinda's Quick Guide To Bridge is the perfect companion for beginning and intermediate bridge players. It gives the reader straightforward, easy-to-understand explanations of popular bridge conventions, plus helpful tips and practical information during play of the hand. Here's a quick look at what's inside:

- Bridge Conventions:** Provides quick and succinct descriptions of more than 50 popular bridge conventions, when to use a particular convention, and what each bid means when describing your hand to your partner. In some cases, the author also tells you why she prefers to use one convention instead of another when there is a choice.
- General Rules:** Explains several commonly accepted "bridge rules" players use during play of the hand, such as the Law of Total Tricks, the Rule of 11, the Rule of 15, and many others.
- Leads and Defense:** Describes some basic practices when defending a contract, including some of the methods the author likes to use when competing at the bridge table.
- Bridge Etiquette:** Lists the "Do's" and "Don'ts" at the bridge table.

No exercises, quizzes, or worksheets are included in this book. It simply gives you concise, practical information to help you improve your game. When Belinda first started teaching bridge, she put together five typewritten pages of basic bridge conventions as a quick reference guide. These pages became known as "Belinda's Cheat Sheets" and were widely circulated among other bridge players. She would often see complete strangers studying them before the start of a duplicate bridge game. At the urging of family and friends, she expanded her "Cheat Sheets" and created this book. If you are just beginning to learn the game of bridge, Belinda's Complete Quick Guide To Bridge may be a better choice, because it is an expanded version of this book and includes three additional sections:

- The Basics:** Explains how to play the game, the procedures, and the equipment used to play bridge.
- Scoring:** Clarifies how to score in duplicate bridge and includes tips and tables.
- Final Words of Advice:** Offers some tips to those who are just starting to learn the game of bridge.

About the Author Belinda developed a passion for bridge after she retired, having worked for almost 28 years for a major oil company. She became a Life Master within a few years after her retirement and has achieved higher levels since then. Belinda continues to play regularly and teaches bridge in her hometown, Darien, CT, where she lives with her husband, Jim.