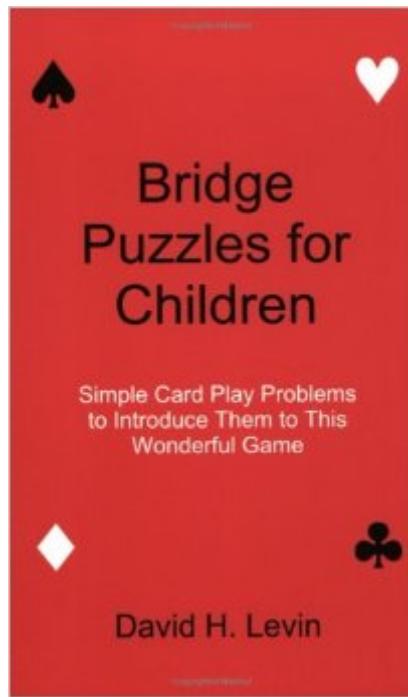


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# Bridge Puzzles For Children



## **Synopsis**

Contains more than 90 simple card play problems. Ideal for youngsters in grades two through six who have had little or no exposure to the game of contract bridge.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Good examples of how to play the cards in order to take the tricks at the end of the play of each hand. Just reading it should help to develop the children's thinking skills. And maybe they will someday learn to be great bridge players.

Minimize the variables- VISUALIZE the variables- these are two techniques that are missing in almost all Bridge Books, except this one and August Boehm's "Private Lessons" They make good "bell-ringer" or "Do Now" tasks, along with KenKen by Marilyn Burns. If you are teaching a class of middle-school kids, who aren't really interested in bridge, the book creates challenges that help kids understand how to work with algorithms. Origami is great too.

Want to learn how to play bridge? If, like me, you don't have a clue, then this book could help enlighten you before you next gather with the old ladies at the bridge group (even if it is aimed at children). It is basically a series of puzzles to lead the reader through a play of the card game, and it sets out the rules of bridge at the start. The puzzles begin quite simply, and get progressively more difficult through to the end. Hints are provided on each page and for each puzzle, to help the reader on their way, and the answers are given in the back of the book. Aimed at older children rather than

younger ones (who may find the layout too lacking in colour and illustrations) my 12 year old son enjoyed trying out the first few puzzles of the book. His patience did wear a little thin, however, as he wanted different 'sets' of games that he could complete, rather than each puzzle being a play stage of one game. The book would be great if produced as a colourful version, in a more child-like format, to attract a wider group of young readers. If the aim is to teach a child about the game of bridge, then 'Bridge Puzzles for Children' helps in a very practical and easy way, illustrating many of the dilemmas that a player in a real game would come across, and developing skills that would need to be utilised. I would describe the book as methodical, rather than 'fun', but excellent reading for children who favour learning in a logical way. However, even for an adult, the layout could be improved.

The card game of contract bridge is often considered as too complicated for children. But this is simply not true. Indeed, learning to play contract bridge can enhance cognitive skills, develop patience, develop an ability to concentrate, and be a lot of fun in the bargain! Very highly recommended for family, school, and community library collections, *Bridge Puzzles For Children: Simple Card Play Problems To Introduce Them To This Wonderful Game* by David H. Levin (Bronze Life Master at bridge) begins with the basic rules of bridge and gradually progresses to the subtle strategies of bridge through actual card play problems in the form of puzzles which are accompanied by a hint. A comprehensive answer section is provided making *Bridge Puzzles For Children* a perfect and non-frustrating introduction to what can become a life-time's enjoyment of one of the most sociable of card games

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