

The following are the top 10 ways to play with a beginner (and still be able to live with yourself):

10	Most of the time, you are one of many people they play with; do not expect a short chat before the game will lead to their remembering.
9	The time to discuss “what you did not like” is not during the play.
8	Smile all the time and, even if disappointed with something they do, smile all the time.
7	Do not make eye contact with them immediately after a hand is played; body language can be more <i>damaging</i> than verbal.
6	They may be in the midst of enjoying the game and it is your responsibility to not change that enthusiasm.
5	Make no comment on what they could have or should have said during the auction or done during the play of the hand ... leads to the other 3 names of this game - <i>could've, should've, and oh s_____</i> .
4	Use no jargon while at the table → it alienates them as does <u>nothing</u> to the outcome of the play.
3	Politely play a role in their learning the accepted (and actually <i>mandated</i> via the laws) way to make the opening lead.
2	Do not say anything to opponents about their beginner status unless asked to do so by the beginner player.
1	You used to be them :).