

Challenging Poker Bluffs

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Poker bluffs is one of the characteristics of dominant players. The skill lies in that they bluff when most people do not expect them to bluff. Even if someone tries to identify their bluffs, they pretend over again in such a way that others would get confused about whether they are playing true or bluffing. Poker bluffs keeps the other players guessing about the real motive of a player.

Poker bluffs are also meant to discourage other players about their reasons to keep staying in the table heads up regardless of whatever they hold; however, this technique might not work with tight players that are staying in the table with a solid reason. When making poker bluffs one should determine if their trick of bluffing might work with the person concerned. If the bluff is going to be made against the wrong player, the bluff might not elicit the kind of response that the player wanted and also, the bluff might get leaked which might possibly give a superficial picture of what the player is holding in the pockets. So, bluffing should be done intelligently against the right person failing, which there will be some real bad consequences. Poker bluffs might be challenging for those that are waiting another card in the next draw. When such players are shot with skilled bluffs, they might suspect that their card is already blocked in the bettor's pockets and might even fold. Sometimes a couple of re-raises might make them believe that the bettor has a good hand and they might feel that the price they will have to spend for the information of the next card is too much and they might fold without waiting to see their hand to improve anymore. This is one way by which poker bluffs are implemented. Poker bluffs in the early stages of playing are done in some kinds of hands where it is considered to be better to have maximum players to fold. In such cases, the players might fast play with a couple of raises and re-raises eventually causing most with less worthy hands to fold. The people that are still heads up are going to be the real opponents. In a short-handed table it is going to be a bit easy to play odds and probabilities, because the opponent number is less. The identification of the real opponent is in most cases done by poker bluffs, but of the opponent has figured the bluff and if he has realized that he is in a better position, then possibly the smart opponent might pretend to slow play just to get the pot grow heavy enough.