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It is hard to review an instructional book unless you can imagine yourself into the group for whom it
was written. Harder still when you can't identify what that target group is. Not dummies, certainly; while Eddie Kantar explains all the basic principles of the game, and introduces them in a sensible order, he puts in far more detail than the novice could absorb during a first survey. Much of this detail might be of great interest to intermediate players, which suggests that this is a book to be read after you have already been playing for some time. It is certainly not one for experts, who would have no patience with the jocular tone and puns typical of the Dummies series.

[It may help to know where I am coming from myself. I am no expert, but my wife, daughter, and son-in-law have learned enough for us to enjoy semi-frequent games whenever we are together—“games in which I often get beaten. In addition, I have been attempting to learn more through an online program, playing against the computer, following its hints, and looking up things that are unfamiliar to me, mainly intricacies of the bidding conventions. So I come to Kantar’s book knowing a fair number of concepts, but with very little practice.] I learned bridge through a beautiful book, BRIDGE CARD BY CARD, by Terence Reece and Boris Shapiro. Although almost a coffee-table book with pictures of old card decks, its actual instructional section was short and effective. It started with a simple overview: “tricks and trumps, bidding, and scoring” then went onto rather more detailed sections on the bidding and playing phases. The first part was enough for beginners to begin playing practice games; the second and third inched these beginning players gradually towards intermediate status.

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