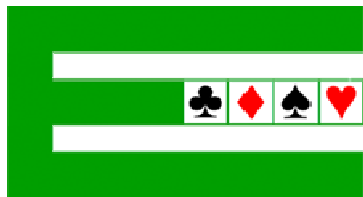


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## School Bridge Presentation

### By Charlotte Fuglsang, CEO, DBf

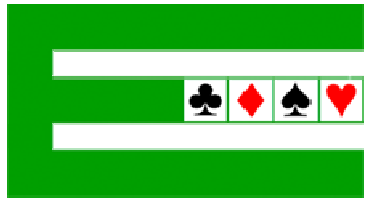
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## Situation in Denmark

- School bridge initiative started in 2012
- New school reform starting 2014
- More time for new subjects like bridge
- Danish School Bridge Association established 2015
- Local representatives in all parts of the country
- Schools are open and interested, and LIKE bridge
- Now playing bridge in 130+ schools
- Based on cooperation with local bridge clubs
- Working to move bridge from school to spare time activity

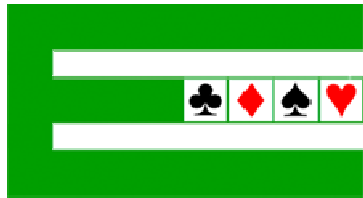


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## Why teach young people to play bridge

Bridge is the most challenging MINDSPORT.  
Playing bridge develops and improves

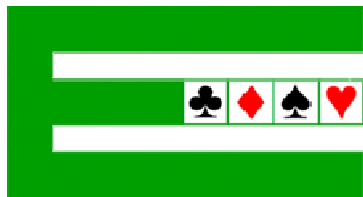
- Concentration ability – improves learning in all subjects
- Cooperation – bridge is a partnership game
- Communication – important game information between partners
- Problem solving – instant analyzing and deduction
- Social – Improves social habits and abilities
- Networking – Friendships and business contacts
- Fun – while getting smarter, why not



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## Teaching programmes

Intro days (3-4 hours)  
Short teaching programmes – 5 x 2 hours  
Longer teaching programmes – 10-15 weeks  
Bridge as part of curriculum

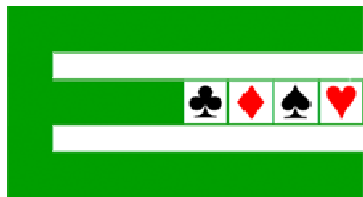


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## Follow-up Actions

YOUR most important task

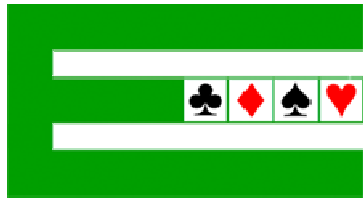
Play options with other kids  
BBO, Funbridge, other online platforms  
Play in or after school  
Play in bridge clubs at convenient times  
Junior camps  
Junior and Schools championships



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## What do you need

- Connections and agreements with schools, do it yourself
- Teaching material for kids
- Results from the beginning – it is a competition
- Duplicated boards
- One helper per table the first 2 or 3 times
- Very little talk – learning by doing



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## Benefits for Schools, Parents and Kids

Schools:

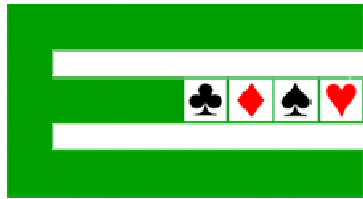
+ Concentration, + Cooperation, Communication

Kids:

+ FUN, + Socializing with friends, + Competitive

Parents:

Family bonding – across 3 generations



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## Challenges

Kids do not play cards  
Bidding is tough – may take away the fun  
Get them to keep playing with other kids  
Getting parents interested  
Out of school activities