
Skill or Luck?

Posted by faradi - 2007/10/17 11:52

Some people say that poker is based on luck, some say its based on skill. I say it relies on both. When im playing, it does matter what cards you get, which is luck. But skill is also a very big part in poker. Tricks and Tips, like when to fold or how much to bet, is very helpful in poker.

So, what is your opinion on this? Poker... to you, is it just luck? Or does it have alot to do with your poker skills

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by sake - 2007/10/17 12:15

i think there is more skill than luck.75% skill and 25% luck (or maybe bad luck for your opponents :P).You can have a good hand(due to luck), but if you don't know how to bet, your opponents folds...

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by 4TexasHoldem - 2007/10/17 12:26

In the short run, poker is a game of luck. Skill cannot change your 23o into AA :) However, the more hands you play, the more important skill becomes and the less important luck is. Over a poker career, skill is by far the most important factor in determining your success.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by matrixlover - 2007/10/17 19:13

I think skill is the most important aspect of the game. True a hand like 2/3 isn't like an AA, but if you have great skill and you can play around with your opponents, you can win.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by sake - 2007/10/17 19:26

I think skill is more important when we play off-line.I saw many players have sun glasses when play poker. So you opponent can't see your eyes and your reaction when receive your cards.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by matrixlover - 2007/10/17 19:30

Yes that's true, a lot of people wear sunglasses. Haha but I wear them to look cool at the table, along with a card protector :-P

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by Dishin Nutrition - 2007/10/18 20:20

I say poker is more skill than luck. The reason I say this is because you have to read your opponents well. If you don't do so, it's not like playing poker with the family, you will lose, and you will lose a lot of money.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by shay - 2007/10/23 03:24

I agree with faradi that it takes both skill and luck. Skill doesn't get the cards to deal the way you want them, and luck isn't when you learn people's tells and can tell when people are bluffing.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by tater03 - 2007/12/23 18:26

I would agree that it takes a little of both. Skill in knowing when to quit and to read other people but luck in hoping you get dealt a good hand.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by ninikins - 2008/01/03 10:09

I think it's mainly luck but knowing what to do when you have the luck! So skill is a big part of it.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by tater03 - 2008/01/05 15:58

Now if I could figure out how to get some more luck that would be great. Maybe I just need some more skill at the game?

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by Slinky - 2008/01/17 20:52

I agree that poker can be a game of luck in the short term, but so can craps, roulette, blackjack, and bingo. That does not mean you should play the game without any consideration to what the true odds are.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by tater03 - 2008/01/19 20:29

I agree with you that knowing the odds will take you along way but luck added into the mix just makes the game better.

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Re:Skill or Luck?

Posted by 73hunter92 - 2008/01/23 12:26

As far as getting good cards it's all the luck of the draw. But when playing those cards and reading your opponents, it's all skill and some people have it and some people don't. Of course you can have those four cards needing one on the river and hope that it's flipped. Sometimes it is but most times you'll be out quite a bit of money. There's a reason why you see more professionals at the final table than amateurs.

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