

BLACKJACKPRO

Version One

A Guidebook To The Computer Aided Tutorials

For TRS 80 Color Computers With Disk Drive

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TUTORIAL

Program	rategy Level	Subject of Tutorial
COUNTING. L1	1	1 or 2 cards
COUNTING. L2	2	1 suit
COUNTING, L3	3	2 suits
COUNTING. L4	4	1 deck
COUNTING. L5	5	2 decks
COUNTING. L6	6	4 decks
COUNTING. L7	7	6 decks
COUNTING. L8	8	8 decks
BETTING. L1	1	In units
RULES. L1	1	Value of hands
PLAYING. L1	1	Hitting hard hands
PLAYING. L2	2	Hitting soft hands
PLAYING. L3	3	Doubling hard hands
PLAYING. L4	4	Doubling soft hands
PLAYING. L5	5	Splitting pairs
PLAYING. L6	6	All options

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RUNNING THE TUTORIALS

All programs are loaded in the normal way as described in your computer documentation. Programs names are indicated on the previous page. Once the selected tutorial is loaded, it can then be run.

USING THE JOYSTICK

The tutorials are designed to provide an especially user friendly environment. This facilitates the acquisition of desired skills in a minimum of time.

The button on the joystick is used to start the timed exercises. Then the stick is used to select the desired response. By moving the stick from left to right and right to left, the highlighted response changes.

When you have decided on your response and have highlighted it by moving the stick, you then press the but-

ton to make your response.

THE FLOW OF THE TUTORIALS

The tutorials use several principles to enhance their effectiveness. They look at the same situation from alternative perspectives. They employ random review of the situations. They return to review your practice errors, and finally, they provide extensive feedback on your accuracy and response times after each of your practice sessions to evaluate your stage of development.

SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE

It is important to keep a proper perspective on your use of those performance statistics. Both accuracy and speed are necessary for expert play. However, accuracy can never be sacrificed for speed. This is particularly important to remember during the training stage. First develop accuracy — the speed will come naturally later. If you pursue speed over accuracy you may develop bad habits and the goal of having both accuracy and speed will take longer to achieve. Also, emphasizing speed over accuracy while training may lead to errors at the playing table when slight fatigue sets in. Accuracy is the key to winning. Speed is the way to enjoy the process of winning.

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