

CORE LESSON 2: COURTESY TOWARD OTHERS

Courtesy toward others is incorporated in The First Tee Code of Conduct and primarily falls under the sub-category of respect for others. Whether PLAYers are starting at the 3-hole, 6-hole or 9-hole sub-levels, they are exposed purposely to games that reinforce showing courtesy toward others.

For each PLAYER class on courtesy toward others, coaches are encouraged to create multiple opportunities for participants to play the game, learn behaviors that are reflective of courtesy, learn about the golf fundamental of target awareness, and appreciate the etiquette and Rules of Golf. More specifically, Core Lesson 2 focuses on helping PLAYers appreciate where they start each hole on the golf course: teeing ground.



Upon completion of Core Lesson 2 at the 9-hole sub-level, PLAYers should understand, demonstrate and exhibit behaviors that show courtesy.

COACHES' TIP

PLAYER Core Lesson 2 helps provide a foundation for Par Core Lesson 12: Meeting and Greeting with A-L-R.

GENERAL LEARNER OBJECTIVES

After completing multiple classes across 3-hole, 6-hole or 9-hole sub-levels on Core Lesson 2, PLAYers should be able to:

- State the meaning of courtesy
- Understand that The First Tee Code of Conduct emphasizes courtesy and the importance of this core value
- Understand (3-hole), demonstrate (6-hole) and exhibit (9-hole) that they remain still and quiet while others are playing
- Understand (3-hole), demonstrate (6-hole) and exhibit (9-hole) that they are friendly and shake hands when greeting others
- Utilize courtesy away from The First Tee and be able to share/explain how it was put into action
- Experience and understand the importance of target awareness when playing golf
- Understand the game, its etiquette and the Rules of Golf related to the teeing ground
- Follow the etiquette and Rules of Golf related to the teeing ground while playing golf
- Understand (3-hole), demonstrate (6-hole) and exhibit (9-hole) the physical healthy habits of energy, play and safety

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LEARN

LIFE SKILL CATEGORY ADDRESSED

- Interpersonal skills

BEHAVIORS REFLECTIVE OF THE CODE OF CONDUCT AND NINE CORE VALUES


COURTESY — being or acting polite to others

A PLAYer learns about the Code of Conduct and shows courtesy in his/her actions by:

1. Staying still and quiet while others are playing
2. Being friendly and shaking hands when greeting others

SUGGESTED PLAYER PROGRESSION FOR GOLF SKILL CATEGORIES AND GOLF FUNDAMENTAL

Coaches are directed to the Golf Skills section of this guide for detailed information on the Golf Skill Categories and Golf Fundamentals at the PLAYer level. Core Lesson 2 for PLAYer 3-hole sub-level focuses on the following:

- Golf Skill Categories — Select two or more from putt, chip, pitch and full-swing
- Golf Fundamental —  Target Awareness (target selection)

An example of a game you can play for this is the *Putting Challenge in the PLAYer Yardage Book*.



Go to the members' side of www.thefirsttee.org to find PDFs that can be downloaded from the PLAYer Yardage Book.

SEE 3-HOLE, 6-HOLE AND 9-HOLE SAMPLE LESSON PLANS ON THE MEMBERS' SIDE OF WWW.THEFIRSTTEE.ORG.



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APPRECIATE

Whether PLAYers are waiting to get started on the first hole or waiting their turn while others are playing on course, following some simple rules and etiquette will help maintain order while playing and allow them to remain courteous toward one another.

One area of the course where it is important for PLAYers to be courteous to others is on the first tee. It is there that PLAYers often have to greet others who they may not know when they get paired in a foursome to play the course. It is also important for PLAYers to be courteous when others are getting prepared or ready to play. Information shared in core lessons associated with courtesy toward others will help PLAYers determine what they should do when playing the game of golf and embracing The First Tee Code of Conduct by showing respect for others, including:

- Where to stand while others are hitting
- What to do while others are hitting
- When to yell “FORE” and what to do if they hear “FORE”

SUGGESTED CONTENT TO APPRECIATE — THE GAME, ETIQUETTE AND THE RULES OF GOLF

THE GAME

As indicated in the Golf Skills section of this guide, there is a language and culture that PLAYers need to understand to play the game of golf. The following items will be the focus of Core Lesson 2 for PLAYER 3-hole sub-level.

3-HOLE SUB-LEVEL

3-HOLE		
THE GAME	ETIQUETTE	RULES OF GOLF
Areas of the Course	Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Teeing Ground (11-1)• Tee Markers (11-2)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand “What to do while others are hitting” —<i>Teeing ground; tee markers</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Be aware of fellow competitors’ location• Stand to the side of the teeing ground, slightly behind and out of vision	
Terminology/Procedures	Consideration for Other PLAYers	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand Golf Skill Categories—<i>Full-swing</i>• Ball in play, divots	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Do not disturb others by moving	
	Care for the Course <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Repairing divots, picking up broken tees	

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6-HOLE SUB-LEVEL

6-HOLE		
THE GAME	ETIQUETTE	RULES OF GOLF
Areas of the Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand area of the course where each hole begins —<i>Teeing ground; tee markers</i> 	Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Where to stand while others are hitting” The warning of “FORE” What to do when “FORE” is yelled out as a warning 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teeing Ground (11-3) —<i>Ball falling off tee</i> Teeing Ground (11-4b)—<i>Playing from outside the teeing ground</i>
Terminology/Procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tee Addressing the Ball 	Consideration for Other PLAYers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stand off the teeing ground and not in line of sight of PLAYer getting ready to play 	
	Care for the Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep all equipment off the teeing ground 	

9-HOLE SUB-LEVEL

9-HOLE		
THE GAME	ETIQUETTE	RULES OF GOLF
Areas of the Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demonstrate proper procedures, etiquette and rules when on the teeing ground PLAYers position themselves properly while waiting for others to play 	Safety <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PLAYers wait for the group ahead to clear before playing next shot Yell “FORE” as a warning to others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line of Play (8-2a) Provisional Ball (10-3; 27-2) —<i>When to play a provisional ball</i>
Terminology/Procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Line of Play Provisional Ball 	Pace of Play <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Play from the set of tees that best fit your game 	
	Consideration for Other PLAYers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do not stand in another PLAYer’s line of play 	
	Care for the Course <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Always walk on putting green 	