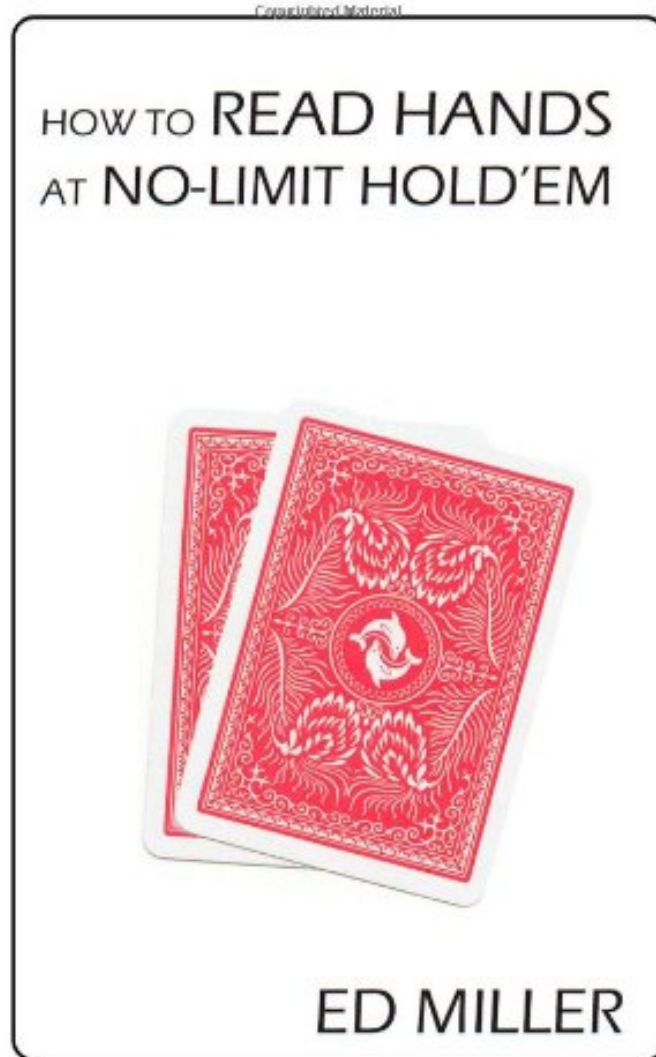


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13 of 14 people found the following review helpful. A great short cut to learning the hard wayBy A. LoftisThis book is written for the \$1 - \$2 and \$2 - \$5 no limit players who understand the math behind poker but long to improve their hand reading skills. Although Miller doesn't say it, he assumes you know the power of position, can calculate outs and know how to figure out EV. If you have not mastered those concepts, pick up a copy of No Limit Hold `em Theory

and Practice by the same author and David Skylansky or pretty much anything by Daniel Harrington. Also, if you are serious about mastering the concepts in the book, you will need a pen and paper to write down the exercises. It's in working through the exercises Miller scatters throughout the book that your game will improve. You have to put in the work away from the table to get good at the game. For Miller, a lot of hand reading comes down to using his range of starting hands for the three types of players you will find at an average small stakes game:- The Nit: conservative in nature is mostly worried about losing big pots- The Regular: the standard player who fills out small stakes live action hold'em and usually does well in her home games- The Fish: a loose player who likes to gamble too much to be worried about pot odds and plays a wide variety of starting hands. Miller avoids the traditional descriptions of tight, passive, loose, and aggressive. Although he doesn't say it, I think is the general point regardless of how players play, they stick to a range of starting hands. How they act on the flop, turn and river narrows the range of their hands, regardless of their style of play. Three key concepts govern hand reading: 1) Players play a certain way for a reason. It's up to you to divine that reason. 2) Most players don't bluff at the correct frequency; usually they don't bluff enough though a few players bluff too much. It's easy to pick out the latter. 3) Big bets mean more than small bets, a concept carried over from a whole range of books. Like most good poker books, Miller summarizes the key concepts towards the end of the book. In fact, like most poker books, if you skip to the key concepts and find that you know them all, you don't need the book. He ends the book with eight examples of hand reading in action. Again, you don't need Miller's book if you read the final hand reading examples and say, "Yeah, well I knew that." My bet, if you are playing \$2 - \$5 games and not making a living at it, you need the book. Consider it a reliable tell. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Explains what to work on away from the tables! By DAVID L ALLMARK This is a very useful book, and will help anyone willing to devote the time to working on hands 'away from the table' so that intuition / experienced can be developed and ultimately applied AT the table. We often here that serious players should have a mix of playing time and learning time. But it's not always easy to understand what 'learning time' really looks like - Well, the good news is - the exercises in the book explain exactly what we could be working on to develop our skills. The book is not really aimed at someone that wants to read a book and get quick answers. You WILL NOT be able to read hands better having just read the book - Like anything in life - improvement needs effort, and this book tells you exactly what effort is needed! Well structured, easy to read and very informative - just one section that felt a bit like padding, else 5 stars. Good value! 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Not a good place to be at By David Heiser I've read many poker books from strategy and philosophical ways to play the game. I am a student of game and been playing Hold-em almost as long as Stud. The reason I bought this book was because the last couple of sessions my reads were off and I felt lost and not confident at the table compared to my competition. Not a good place to be at. This book was able to add some structure to my hand reading analysis and has been very helpful to my game. The only thing I would like to see is more exercises and more examples of how to read more situations. Very quick and valuable read.

Hand reading is the single most important no-limit hold'em skill. If you can figure out what hands your opponents are likely to have, you will make consistently good decisions. You'll find bluffs other players miss. You'll find value bets other players miss. And you'll also be able to anticipate and avoid trouble before you're knee-deep in it. Some people say hand reading is a feel skill. That you can only learn it through experience. They're wrong. Not that experience isn't vital. It is. But if you think that you're just going to figure it all out by playing hours and hours of hold'em, you're likely mistaken. The learning curve is very steep. That's the bad news. The good news is that How To Read Hands At No-Limit Hold'em can leapfrog you up the learning curve. Not only will you be reading hands better from the moment you finish your first read-through, but you will also learn how to develop your skill during every session you play in the future. What's inside: How to get a read on all the different types of opponents in your small stakes no-limit games How to systematically find big bluffs and thin value bets on the river How to react when you get raised How to spot one of the biggest mistakes many players make on the turn and how to turn that leak into profit. This one alone is worth the price of the book How to spot the flops you shouldn't be continuation betting How to sniff out bluffs using null ranges How to use software at home to fine-tune your hand reading even further And much more

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