

555 GOLF EDITORIALS

'PERFORMANCE EXCELLENCE'

SLOPE & BREAK

These are two primary ingredients for your success in 'Putting The Little White Ball' into the cup in as few strokes as humanly possible. The secondary ingredients provided by 'Mother Nature' are 'Grass Length & Grain', 'Moisture', 'Detritis' (junk on the grass) and 'Wind Direction'.

You need to know with a fair amount of certainty how much your 'Putt' is uphill, level or downhill. As the 'Putting Surface' becomes more downhill your 'Net Rolling Length Energy' ('NRLE') decreases based on how much negative slope you actually face. Likewise, as the 'Putting Surface' becomes more uphill, your 'Net Rolling Length Energy' increases based on how much positive slope you actually face.

If you require a certain amount of energy to propel a ball across a ten foot 'Ball Rolling Distance' (Let us call it 'X'), you will require more energy to roll the ball uphill. You will require less energy to roll the ball downhill. (Let us call it 'X+Y' and 'X-Y')

When you 'Read Your Breaks', 'Pace Your Putts' and stand in the 'Isosceles Triangle' (see '1/3 1/3 1/3' – "AskUs!" below) you gather essential data. Putting is about 'Distance & Direction' ... 'Speed & Break'. 'Speed Trumps Break' in demanded skill and outcome! Accomplishing 'Break' is easier!

Let us assume that the green is level and your 'Putt' is 10 feet. If you are uphill, you may be 'Putting' the equivalent of 12 feet. If you are downhill, you may be 'Putting' the equivalent of 8 feet. If our caddies pace for us, they give us instructions ... **"Measured 10 - Putting Like 8"**. We adjust that slightly by adding 'One Stroke Inch For The Back Of The Cup' (so we do not come up short), then adjust a little more for 'Mother Nature's' elements mentioned above. i.e. 'Slow Greens at Stimp 9'. Let us say that this factors in as one more foot. Thus, we create our 'Inching Stroke' that accomplishes an 8+1+1 or a 'Net 10 Foot Roll' ... always with our ordinary "&" followed by "Chase". ("AskUs!" – contact methods below)

Folks, let's now deal with 'Break'. The '5 Paces Behind The Ball – Low To The Ground' step in your '8 Step Putting Pre Shot Routine' enables you to see the 'Break' or how much the ball will curve down its 'Ball Rolling Line' ('BRL'). There may be no break, a single break or a compound break. You will figure that out. ("AskUs!") Once we know this lay of the land through 'Reading The Break' ('May Be 1 Foot Outside Right'), we then quite simply 'Make A Straight Putt To The Top Of Break' with the proper speed or energy. The results will make a very pleasant little rattle!

Thanks for being here!

"Welcome Aboard!"

"Enjoy The Ride!"

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