

A lesson from the Assistant!

How To Draw or Fade the Ball Correctly!

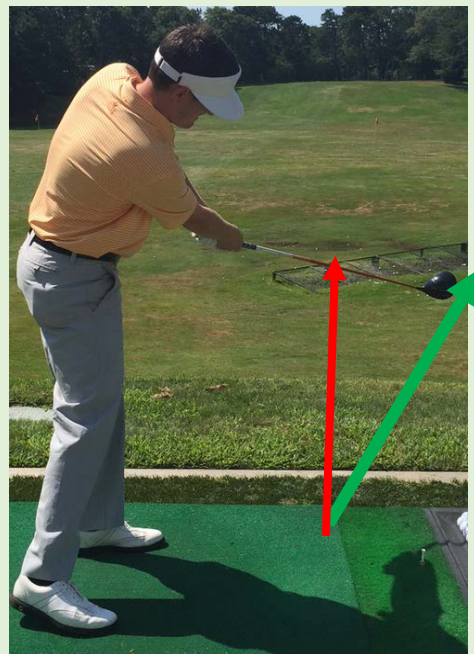
Do you have a “wicked” slice or hook? I hope that I can help illustrate the proper way to curve a golf ball from Right to Left and Left to Right! I hope you enjoy!

Posture

First things first. Before you hit any golf shot, you must have a proper golf posture, grip and alignment to hit consistent, solid golf shots.



Draw



Take notice in each photo. I will use Green for the proper way and Red for the incorrect. Remember in these photos we are trying to hit a draw. In the first photo you can see the path of my club coming from the “inside” of the golf ball. Creating an “inside to out” golf swing is going to give me my spin on the golf ball, or more so tilting the golf ball off of its axis point creating a right to left spin (Draw Spin for the Right Handers). Look at the middle photo. You can see my club head is slightly open at impact. To hit a draw I want my ball to start to the right of the target. So I need to open my clubface to do so. Final photo is me reaching to right field completing my in to out move. Try this to hit a draw!

Fade



Virtually the complete opposite from the photos and description of a Draw. Again using the same colors, Red for the improper way to hit a fade and green for the correct way to hit a fade. In photo one take a look at where my club head is right before striking the golf ball, it's on the outside of the ball, creating an "outside to in" swing patch. Creating the golf ball when I strike it to spin left to right or knocking the ball off of its axis point again with a left to right spin. Take a look at the middle photo and where my clubface is pointed. For right handers who want to fade the ball they need to start the ball to the left. We will always dictate where the ball starts off by where our clubface at impact is pointed. So for a fade I close my clubface in relation to the target and start the ball left, with an "outside to in" path I will create my spin. Try this to hit a Fade!

Finish

Now that we have struck the golf ball, we must not forget one of the most important aspects of the golf swing. You must complete the swing. If you don't finish the golf swing by rotating your body, whether you swing inside to out or outside to in, your golf ball will not do what you want it to. You must complete your swing in order for the golf ball to turn the way you want it to!



I hope this helps out and I hope you can now turn the golf ball on command. Let me know how it goes!

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