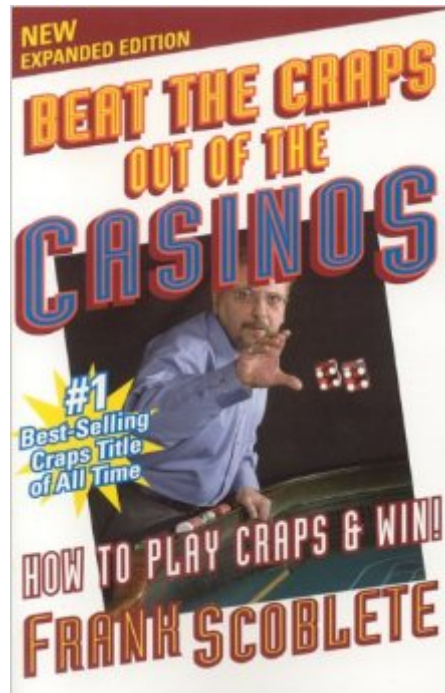


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# Beat The Craps Out Of The Casinos: How To Play And Win



## Synopsis

Until now, craps has been considered an unbeatable casino game because the house has an edge on every bet. Learn how to beat the system in this new edition of the bestselling book on craps.

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## Customer Reviews

Frank Scoblete has written a very intelligent approach to craps based on the supposition that most shooters lose the player money. He discusses a method called the 5 Count which is to be used to decide which shooters to risk money on. It is a brilliant system and a relatively easy strategy to employ in the casino. After reading this book several months ago, I made five trips to the casinos and won on four of them. The 5 Count was a wonderful preserver of my bankroll and I was around for the hot shooters on four of the five trips. This book is the best craps book I have ever read and I look forward to reading his follow up book about the Captain's Craps Revolution.

No system of craps play can be judged on just a few trips to the casino as luck, good or bad, will determine short-range results. I have given this 5 count a six year test of bi-monthly play. I estimate that I have spent some 2,000 hours playing this system in the casinos of Las Vegas and Atlantic City. I use the high roller system almost exactly as described in the book with just a minor variation or two of my own. I have been comped for everything in addition to winning almost a quarter of a million dollars. Does it work? I say yes. Is it perfect? No. But the 5 count has allowed me to be at tables without losing my money and when the hot rolls come, and they don't ALWAYS come, I make up whatever small losses I have and I'm in the black. I won't make a living doing this but it sure beats losing. I want to publically thank Mr. Scoblete for writing this book and his other

book *The Captain's Craps Revolution* because they have made craps a positive experience for me!

As a novice at craps I found this book had too much story (glorifying the captain). I wanted more strategy backed by factual information. I want to know all the bet arrangements, what they mean and their probabilities for success. I have been to the tables about 10 times now. I understand about half of what is played. The center of the table is still a mystery. I believe a book with more details, drawings of positions and less story telling would work better for me.

I've read ten books by Frank Scoblete and I must say that I disagree with the "reader from Las Vegas" on September 23. Scoblete explains exactly how the house edge works in all his books. In *Beat the Craps*, he takes the position, which I agree with, that the game can't be beaten if you bet every shooter and he uses the Captain's idea that you can increase your chances to win by betting on select shooters. You select these shooters by using the five-count. The theory is that some shooters might be able to control the dice and by using the five-count you will have a better opportunity to be there when this happens. Far from being "snakeoil" this is logical. There is no downside to playing as Scoblete recommends in this book. At the very least, you get many more comps for your action because you aren't betting on every shooter. This is an excellent book for beginners and intermediate craps players who can maintain their discipline in a casino. I recommend it. As a note, I teach math at a junior college in California and don't consider myself math illiterate. I find it hard to believe that someone could read this book and not understand what Scoblete is doing: Reducing your overall risk since you aren't betting every shooter in the time that you're playing and giving you a good chance to be there when a hot shooter arrives. The proof is to play the system in a casino, as I have done for a couple of years now at twice-monthly visits to Vegas. If you like craps, this is a must-read book.

...most books on Craps present the same information - they go over the rules of the game, present the advantage that the casinos have on each bet, then present strategies which minimize the casinos's advantage...which are all usually the same, i.e. play the pass-line, take the odds, take one or two come bets or play the pass-line, take the odds, place the six and eight. One really wonders why there are so many books for this game out there - they all present the same information. This book breaks the mold - it hypothesizes that there are some people out there who are capable of throwing the dice in such a manner that they have a greater chance of having a longer run at the dice than one would expect if the dice were perfect random number generators. The "5-count"

presented in the book is a way of "screening" the shooters to see if they are "worthy" of betting with. That's basically it in a nutshell - the core of the book is a screening method which, if the author's hypothesis is correct, should weed out shooters who tend to seven out after only a few throws of the dice. Whether one believes that there are people out there who, either by accident or by application of skill, are capable of having longer runs at the dice than normal, is another matter altogether. The book also presents a betting system which involves betting on the pass and don't pass (and come and don't come) simultaneously and waiting until a shooter has "passed muster" - the disadvantage of doing this is this tends to INCREASE the casinos's advantage. Frankly, if I were to use this method, I would just go ahead and bet on the pass line and dispense with the don't pass bet and only take the odds if the shooter was "odds-worthy".

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