Course Management: Playing Smart from the Start

Key Concepts Covered

- Course management is about making strategic decisions, not just hitting good shots.
- On short par 4s (under 350 yards), consider using a hybrid or iron off the tee instead of a driver.
- Choose clubs that reduce risk-don't bring hazards into play if you don't need to.
- On par 3s with danger behind the green, choose a club that eliminates the chance of going long.
- Good decisions often mean playing short of trouble, even if that means a longer second shot.
- Always factor in conditions-adjust for wind, weather, and green speed as they change.
- Manage your round by playing to your strengths and avoiding situations where your weaknesses are exposed.

Pro Tips

- Even beginners can think like seasoned golfers-start with smart, conservative choices.
- The best players aren't always the best swingers-they're the best decision-makers.
- Every hole presents a choice: go for it or play smart. Make the smart one more often.

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