How Golf is Played and Scored: A Beginner's Guide

Key Concepts Covered

- A golf course typically has 18 holes, each with a tee box, fairway, and green.
- Players use different clubs depending on the shot: long-distance, approach, or putting.
- The tee shot begins each hole, followed by approach shots, then putting on the green.
- Each stroke (hit) counts toward your score-fewer strokes means a better score.
- At the end of 18 holes, the player with the lowest stroke total wins.
- Par is the expected number of strokes to complete a hole.
- Birdie = one stroke under par. Bogey = one stroke over par.

Pro Tips

- Don't get too caught up in the score-focus on the flow and relationships.
- Understanding terms like par, birdie, and bogey helps you follow conversations and blend in.
- Golf is played one stroke at a time-stay calm and enjoy the rhythm of each hole.

Next Step: Watch the 'How Golf is Played and Scored' video in your Golf4Biz Learning Center