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The idea of this challenge is get a clear picture of how well you perform against PGA statistics.

Rules of the Game

Create 9 different putting locations as shown in the table below (use a tape measure). Putt out on each hole and record your score. Then subtract your score from the 'Shots to Hole Column', e.g. if you one-putted the 5ft putt, you would gain +0.26 of a stroke, if you two-putted you would have lost -0.74 of a stroke to the field in a PGA event. Add up your 'Total Score' after 9 holes and your 'Shot to Hole' Score'.

Additional skills to consider

Good putters have the skill to read the line of the putt well, hit their intended start line and control the pace of the ball very well. This challenge also makes you evaluate and reflect on your skills in these departments.

For example, once you have selected the break and therefore the line for each putt, place a coin/marker down 2ft in front of the ball. If you roll the ball over the coin, tick the 'Hit Coin Column'.

If you miss your putt, but it finished within 2ft of the hole, tick 'Good Speed Column'.

If you hit the coin and your putt finishes either short and within a grip length on the low side of the cup, or past the hole and outside of 2ft, but in line with the hole, tick the 'Good Read' column.

Putt location	Distance ft.	Shots to Hole	Score	Shots to Hole Score	Hit Coin?	Good Speed?	Good Read?
1	5	1.26					
2	25	1.94					
3	15	1.79					
4	30	1.98					
5	4	1.15					
6	18	1.85					
7	7	1.45					
8	27	1.95					
9	20	1.89					
		Total			/9	/9	/9