



Richard's Top 10 Lottery Secrets to Winning Fast

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Introduction



When it comes to playing the lotto, many of you have your own theory – a theory that, to date, hasn't worked. Some are superstitious and choose important dates/numbers, while others just believe in pure luck. Then, you have those individual that believe the entire lottery system is rigged – trust me, the system isn't rigged or I wouldn't be a 7 time grand prize lotto winner.

Listen, lottery enterprises go out of their way in order to make sure it is random. The machine is serviced frequently to make sure they are up to par and the ball sets aren't used much. Seeing people believe winning the lotto is just pure luck has made me want to branch out and write this book titled "Richard's Top 10 Lottery Secrets to Winning Fast."

Before I begin, I'm going to let you in on the most important thing to remember – don't spend more than you can afford. Some people spend their rent money to play these lotto games and that is something you should never do. My rule is – if you can't afford it, don't buy it. The amount you choose to spend each week should be within your budget, whether it is \$1 a week or \$100 a week. Nothing, not even the lotto is worth risking your family's financial security. However, what I will tell you is the more you

play, the better your chances are of winning ... just be smart about it.

Tip Number One: Keep a Balanced Combination



You have some who make number combinations using all odd or all even numbers. Where do you think this is going to get you? Obviously, you haven't won the lottery yet, so it's not going to get you very far. Yes, I know, anything is possible when it comes down to a random drawing, so you would think there is nothing wrong with using all odds, or all evens. Then, you have those that prefer combinations like 1,2,3,4,5,6 or 6,12,18,24,30 and 36. Are

you like this? If so, your chances of winning are as about as low as the chances of seeing a pig fly!

Doing research and looking at the past drawings, I don't really see scenarios with these combinations – go ahead, feel free to check the history of drawings so you can see what I'm saying. A routine drawing will consist of 2-3 odd numbers and will consist of a range of numerical places such as 10,23,42 and so on. This is why I always tell people they need to keep track of previous draws – that is just as important.

When you are out there picking those numbers, you need to keep that playing card balanced as much as possible. Let me explain this one more time for you – don't go playing one-number groups, like all 30'2 (31-32-33), nor all single digit numbers like 1-6-9. If you have been playing this way, squishing all of those numbers together, you aren't playing a balanced game. Make sure you have an even mixture of high numbers and low numbers.

If you are playing a pick-five type of game, go for three odd numbers and two even numbers, or vice versa. If you do this, you'll increase your chances.

The absolute worst number combination is 1-2-3-4-5. It's almost guaranteed not to win. The odds of those consecutive numbers being drawn are super low. Yet, still, it appears to be the most popularly played number set ...

Tip Number Two: Ditch the Quick Picks



Time and time again, I tell people to ditch those quick picks and I will continue telling people this. You see, when you choose a quick pick, you are asking the computer to generate your number combinations for you and we all know computers really don't have our best interest in mind.

Computers will generate the most awful combinations out there – they will generate the very number combinations I told you not to choose – they can generate all low numbers, or all high numbers.

So, instead of going for those quick picks – go ahead and choose your own.

Tip Number Three: When to Buy Your Tickets



Some of you guys and girls wait until the last minute to run in and grab your tickets. Waiting until the last minute is one of the worst things to do. For example, the Florida lotto game takes place two times a week – on Wednesday and Saturday. On Wednesday, people rush home for work to go buy their tickets for the game that takes place that night.

Have you ever done this? If so, what do you find in the store? If it's a city – you will find a long line of people doing the same thing.

I'm not sure about you, but I value my time more than this, so I always make it my game plan to purchase my tickets for the next drawing the day AFTER the recent drawing. For example, if the drawing is being held on Saturday night, and the next drawing is Wednesday, I go in on Sunday and purchase my tickets for

Wednesday night's drawing. This way, I'm able to avoid lines and save time.

Tip Number Four: Go for the Additional Draw



Some lotteries out there offer a bonus chance with a second draw – the prize isn't as high as the original, but it's still pretty big. Usually, this option will be available when you are buying the ticket. Yes, going for the second chance draw will cost a tiny bit extra, but I think it's worth it.

By going for the additional draw, it will almost double your chances of winning. So many have a tendency to discard this option, because it is a small prize. Sure, the small prize may not

be able to help for early retirement, but it can at least pay some of your bills. Right?

Believe it or not, two of my grand-prize wins were in second-chance drawings. So many people toss their losing tickets in the trash. They don't pay attention to the rules of the game they're playing and they don't even realize there's a second-chance drawing associated with that game. Therefore, they don't have a very good chance of winning.

So, with these games that offer a second-chance draw, I don't throw away my losing tickets – I mail them in. Obviously, the more I enter, the higher my chances are at winning.

Tip Number Five: Scratch Tickets



When in the store, I hear people say "I'll buy one of these, then one of those, and then let me have one from that stack." Wait, back up – this is not the way to pick out your scratch off tickets. This is the equivalence of trying to shoot a small target with a blindfold on.

What I do is I pick the scratch game that has the grand prize I would like to win and I only play THAT game. Normally, I go for the scratch tickets that have the biggest prize.

Most state lotteries have a website you can go to in order to see which scratch games have an unclaimed grand prize. I like to make sure I don't pick a game that has all of the grand prizes claimed.

Here's what I do. Let's say the game I pick costs \$10 per ticket. I start out buying 10 of those tickets, which will come to \$100 total. I buy ten tickets at a time. I then take that money I win on those tickets to buy more tickets (again, ten at a time). If you made \$50.00, then you should choose a \$5.00 game – buy ten of them. As long as I keep winning any amount, I continue doing this until I have that grand prize in my hands.

Now, let's say if I get one of those tickets and it just so happens to be \$500. When the stores put out a new book of those tickets (there are thirty tickets in a book, which comes to \$300). I buy an unopened book and put the additional \$200 in my bank account. With that \$300 worth of tickets, I start over with the process I just told you about. If and when I have no winners in the batch of 10 tickets, I start over with \$100.

Tip Number Six: Never Change Your Numbers



Here's a secret – I never change my numbers, until they win. If you purchase one ticket, your odds are 1 in 24,000,000. Now, let's say I play the same numbers for the next drawing, my odds are 1 in 23,999,999.

Each time I buy those same numbers, my odds of winning get better and better. They go from 1 in 23,999,998 to 1 in 23,999,997 and so on. It's practically impossible for the same winning numbers to come up again and again, so every time I buy the same numbers, my odds are higher.

Go ahead, talk to a math professor and they will probably agree with what I just told you.

Tip Number Seven: Picking the Numbers



Okay, so here's the real puzzle – how on earth do you pick those winning numbers? Some people pick Birthdays, family events, and so on. Some people use stock market numbers, some even pick their numbers from a billboard sign!

Honestly, there is no magic formula for picking those numbers. Once you pick those numbers, however, make sure you stick to them.

I also make sure I keep track of each card I fill out. I have numbers on the back of them. On the first one, for example, I put "number 1" and the second one has "number 2" on it and so on.

Tip Number Eight: How Many Cards to Play



Okay, so how many cards do I play each time? That decision right there is based on various factors. First of all, my state lottery usually starts out with a nice \$3-million jackpot. So, I choose to buy three cards (\$30 – means 30 chances to win). If no one wins the jackpot, it will probably go up to \$6-million for the next drawing. During that time, when the jackpot has increased, I increase my cards – I then buy six cards (\$60 for sixty chances to win).

What I do is play \$10 in tickets for each million dollars. So, here's another example, if the jackpot is 15-million, I buy 15 \$10 tickets for a total of 150 number combos.

Remember, I number my cards, so card number 1 will always be the first one I play, then I play card number 2, then card number 3 and so on. I always make sure I play the same numbers on the same cards in the same exact order – I never change my game up and that's probably why I'm a 7 time lottery grand prize winner!

Tip Number Nine: Never Miss a Draw



Don't EVER miss a draw. I never miss a draw. If I miss a draw, I know what will probably happen ... the night I choose not to play those numbers will be the night my numbers will be drawn! So yes, don't ever miss a draw.

In Florida, the card you fill out to play the lottery has ten chances on it – each chance costs \$1. If you choose to play all ten, your odds of winning become 1 in 2,400,000 (based on the example I gave you earlier).

Tip Number Ten: The Extra Ball



Some lottery games will allow you to pick that extra ball. For example, here in Florida, there's two games that fall into this category you have Mega Money, which is a Florida-only game, and then Powerball, which is a multistate game that Florida just so happens to be a part of.

Let's talk about the Mega Money game, as an example (this is one of the games I won a lottery game prize in). With this game, you pick four numbers from one to forty-four and one number

from one to twenty-two. The final number is referred to as the mega ball.

When you purchase your tickets, make sure each ticket you buy has a different mega ball on it. If you buy ten tickets and three of the mega numbers are repeated, you really only have seven out of twenty-two chances of winning. So, if you purchase a total of twenty two tickets, since there are twenty two mega ball numbers, you will be able to cover each number – you will win a free ticket that is good for the next drawing.

Now, if you match the mega ball number along with 1,2, 3 or all four of the other numbers, that means you win money. The amount of money you win will all depend on how many of the other numbers you were able to match, but even if you only match that mega ball number, you will win that free ticket – hey, it's better than not winning at all.

Conclusion

I know, you're in a hurry to win the lotto, and maybe one day you will be a winner just like me – I hope this short guide helps you make it where you want to make it today. Yes, it may be a long journey, but eventually, maybe it will all be worth your time and money – just don't give up.

Just make sure you take these tips and put them to work – avoid buying quick-picks, never miss a draw, pay attention to the extra ball, opt for the additional draw, never change your numbers, buy your tickets in advance, play an even amount of odds and evens, keep track of your cards by writing on the back of them and know which scratch games to play and always buy 10 at a time.

