

1 *Hustler's Specials*



If you have ever admired the talents of a carnival barker or if there is a con man or hustler side to you that you've been dying to turn loose, now's your big chance. The shots in this chapter will provide you with an outlet for what might otherwise be criminal activities. While learning these shots, you will have the opportunity to perfect your conversational skills. And, once they've been mastered, you may never have to buy a coke or your favorite beverage again.

Your audience will be led to believe that a number of these shots appear to be impossible. In fact, most are quite easy. On others, you will actually have to spend some time perfecting your skill with a cue in hand. Don't forget, however, that your main skill is in developing a line of chatter that will convince your "friends" to risk an appropriate wager. I strongly suggest you base the size of the wager on the quality of your friendship. The better the friend, the smaller the wager, and vice versa.

The proper set up and a convincing line of patter are crucial to your success. However, if you insist using these shots to hustle dough in less than reputable establishments, first try to strike up a friendship with the largest guy in the joint. A back up, a knowledge of the exits, a car with its motor running and a wheelman are also recommended. I'm kidding of course.