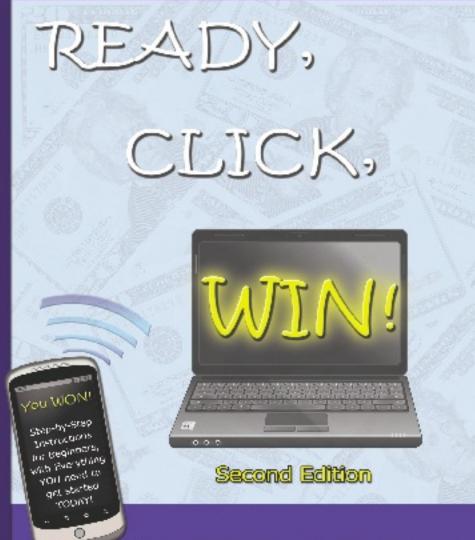
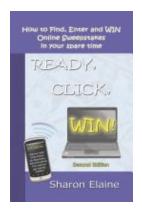
How to Find, Enter and WIN Online Sweepstakes in your spare time



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Step-by-Step Instructions For Beginners

Enjoy this FREE profitable hobby and watch as wins are delivered to your door

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CHAPTER ONE - Introduction of Sweepstakes

So, you want to win some online sweepstakes prizes? GOOD! You came to the right place, and to the right person. Entering sweepstakes is a lucrative, simple and enjoyable hobby, and honestly... how many hobbies pay YOU?

I started entering sweepstakes seriously in about 1998, even though I've won big items my whole life. I enter online sweepstakes every single day, even in our hotel room, on vacations.

One of the first things I look for when choosing a hotel is if it has wireless Internet available in the room. (There is a picture of me, a few pages before this one, entering sweeps in the hotel, while AT my NCAA Final 4 sweepstakes grand prize win!) I even won a \$50 Walgreen's card online while on my honeymoon!

Later in the book there is a chapter with pictures and stories of my wins, which will hopefully motivate you to your own wins.

I'll also share stories of people who followed the advice in my book, changed their "I never win anything" attitude, and soon began to win! First they won small items, and then a few more, now they are regular winners of sweepstakes prizes. Some of them grand prize wins. This can be you too!

When I first started out, there wasn't much information about this hobby, nor was it even referred to as a hobby. The sweepstakes were also mainly entered with the method we now refer to as "snail mail" (regular postal mail). You had to spend a great deal of time on it, filling out papers and envelopes and spending money on postage. It was time-consuming and expensive.

Now, most sweepstakes are entered online, for free, and with the tools I'll be sharing with you in this book, you'll be able to:

- Find <u>legitimate</u> sweepstakes
- Enter them quickly (with software that fills in the form for you)
- Store the daily sweeps so you can enter them often
- Quickly delete the sweeps once they have expired
- Reap the rewards/prizes that come to your door

There will be radical thoughts in this book, like "be happy when others win", and "the more you believe you'll win,

you'll win" and more. Take them or leave them, but you're reading a book by someone who has used those very ideas when approaching the sweepstakes hobby, and has benefited from them greatly.

I've included information about what to do once you win a big prize, how to fill out the required proof of identity, how to keep screen shots of your Instant Wins, and more.

As it's also vitally important to avoid scams and rip-offs, this book discusses many of the ways to uncover and avoid these scams, as well as how to keep your computer and identity safe.

Well, enough chit-chat, let's get started! The sooner we get this information in motion, the quicker you become one of an ever-growing group of on-line sweepstakes winners.

Time to win some sweepstakes!

CHAPTER TWO – Rules of Thumb

I hear a lot of things from people when they hear about my sweepstakes wins.

Common Sweepstakes Myths:

- They aren't real, or if they are, only "other people" win them
- They're too hard to find
- They're usually scams
- It's naïve to believe there are any real prizes given away
- They have too many people entering them, with crazy odds, so I could never win
- They're too much trouble to enter
- They have some kind of "catch" associated with them

One of my favorite conversations was with a woman who, (AFTER she knew I had really won and received a grand prize) shook her head disapprovingly and asked me:

"Don't you know the impossible odds of someone winning something like that?" I smiled at her and answered "I guess not, I'm too busy winning the sweepstakes to check out those kinds of things."

RULE OF THUMB #1:

DON'T CHECK THE ODDS!

Anything that makes you believe you may not win is not a good focus, and if you convince your mind that there is no "logical" way that you could win, you'll have lost the game before you even play it.

I don't have a logical explanation for why I win so many sweepstakes. I just enjoy winning them, and EXPECT to win them. One of the surest ways to NOT win a prize in a sweepstakes is to check the odds of winning. Just avoid that focus altogether.

RULE OF THUMB #2:

YOU go looking for the sweepstakes, don't let them come looking for you.

If you get an email (or worse yet, a flashing pop-up window online) which is urging you to enter it or "click here for your prize", immediately ignore them.

Most of them are scams and are the surest way to get some kind of virus or spy-ware added to your computer.

There are THOUSANDS of legitimate sweepstakes, run by legitimate companies. It is your job to find them, enter them (and WIN them!)

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People usually ask a question which might now be a good time to address.

Why do companies run these sweepstakes? By sponsoring a sweepstakes, they are asking you to come to their website and focus on their name and product(s). I suspect there is a hefty tax deduction involved as well.

When you enter sweeps frequently, you'll notice a few big companies that stand out as "regulars". They provide sweeps on a consistent basis, with often-times thousands of prizes to win.

Many smaller companies are also reputable, but usually offer less expensive prizes. It will be up to you to decide if these smaller prizes are worth your time and effort to enter their sweepstakes.

With a smaller prize that I'd like to win, I usually enter that sweep only once and then move on. It's not worth my time to add it to my list of daily's and keep entering it over and over again. But at least entering it once gets me "in the game" for that sweep, and I've won DVD movies and books with my one entry picked as the winning entry.

RULE OF THUMB #3

Once you enter it, LET IT GO.

If you obsess over a sweepstakes and wonder:

- if winners have been chosen yet
- what the odds are
- how many times you've entered it
- if you'll win it
- if you'll be home when they call you
- if you have to sign for a package when they deliver it

...and in any way think too much on any one or two sweeps, you lose the flow, joy and energy of the entire process. I enter a sweep, visualize myself having won the item for a bit, then I move on to the next.

I know of many people who keep charts and graphs of when they entered such-and-such sweep, how many times they entered it and so forth. What a way to take the fun out of it all, in my opinion.

Feel free to create a spreadsheet and do something like this if you like. I don't do this. If I win, great, if I don't, fine. There are always more sweeps coming along that I can win.

Keep your energy flowing and joyful or you'll stagnate and turn a fun hobby into a stressful job that you'll begin to resent.

RULE OF THUMB #4

Get your mind right!

"Whether you think you can, or you think you can't, either way you're right". Henry Ford

I'll add a quote of my own today:

If you believe you'll win, you will win, if you believe you won't win, you won't. Sharon Elaine

I can't tell you how many people hear of my wins and immediately state their own (negative) affirmation of "I never win anything".

It's not just the words that make me cringe; however, it's the BELIEF itself. Of course it's silly to immediately begin to believe you will win every sweeps you enter, but you must be open to the idea of believing there is a good chance that you'll begin to win <u>some</u> of them.

Therefore...get your mind right. If you go into this hobby of sweepstaking with the attitude of "I'll enter, but I probably won't win"... DON'T ENTER! It's a waste of your time. It won't be fun to enter, and you won't win. You'll have created a self-fulfilling prophecy.

RULE OF THUMB #5

Be patient and persistent.

At the beginning of sweepstaking, it can understandably take time to begin winning and/or receiving prizes. Many times the sweeps will have to end before they organize and mail out the wins.

All professional sweepstakers go through dry-spells when we scratch our heads and ask if it's worth it. But before long either the dam will break and lots of wins happen again, or a BIG win will occur, which makes it all worth it. BE PATIENT and keep entering, and STAY positive.

Remember, the Three P's...

Stay:

- 1. POSITIVE
- 2. PATIENT
- 3. PERSISTENT

NOTE: To further your positive mind-set, check out my book *The Book of Affirmations, by Sharon Elaine.* Using these positive affirmations daily will greatly increase your ability to pull wins to yourself.

RULE OF THUMB #6

BE HAPPY FOR OTHERS WHEN THEY WIN!

There's nothing worse than excitedly telling a person your win and having them say something like "oh man, you always win, that's not fair, when is it my turn?", or "what, again? You know you really should leave some wins for others", or even "oh, really, great" (in a bored voice). Doesn't it make you feel awful?

Don't be that person to others.

Be happy when someone tells you they've won, (yes, even if they're on a winning streak and you're in a dry spell... in fact, ESPECIALLY if you're in a dry spell). Tell them how genuinely happy you are for them. AND FEEL IT.

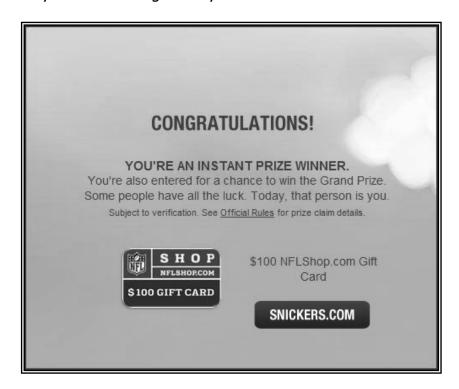
Keeping your energy high, loving and hopeful brings the wins to your door with more frequency. So when others win, keep your energy positive, congratulate them, and mean it.

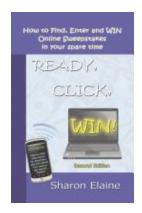
RULE OF THUMB #7

HAVE FUN!

Yes, there is a bit of work involved in the beginning, in reading how it's all done, and setting everything up on your computer, but don't let that deter you.

Once you get past that, it should be FUN to enter your sweepstakes. For those of us who love entering sweeps, it's usually one of the lightest, most enjoyable parts of our day. It's something I always look forward to.





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