

Scoring Reality Check

Most golfers are already hitting enough good shots to reach their number. The work is not rebuilding the swing. It is protecting a good game from a small number of predictable errors. This page does the math.

Step one: your last three rounds

Round	Course and date	Score	Drives out of play	Missed pitches	Three putts	Costly shots total
1						
2						
3						

Step two: the arithmetic

Average score across the three rounds	
Average costly shots per round	
Strokes each one costs you, honestly (usually 1.5 to 2)	
Strokes lost to costly shots per round	
Your score with those shots removed	
Your scoring goal	
Gap between that number and your goal	

If the gap closes on paper, your swing is not the project. Decisions and the scoring zone are. That is a twelve week job, not a two year rebuild.

If the gap is still wide, you have a ball striking or distance control problem underneath the errors, and the lesson plan needs to address both. Bring this sheet so we can tell which one you are.

Step three: the one category to attack

Which category showed up most across the three rounds, and what is the system change that removes it? Write it in your own words.