



2. Queens of the Rodeo



Seven players sit around the table with the card hands shown. Tensions are **increasing**, and some are having a better round than others, but they're all feeling pretty royal with a queen somewhere in each hand. There certainly is **value** in that. Figure out who is sitting where, and you might discover what they all have in common.

People around the table: Aggie, Butch, Dolly, Jesse, Merle, Patsy, Tammy

Clues:

- Merle and Patsy are the only two players without hearts in their hand
- Three of the four players with consecutive double letters in their names sit next to each other
- Dolly and Patsy both sit as far away from Merle as possible
- Jesse is not sitting next to Tammy
- Butch and Jesse have all the suits in their hands

If you're not familiar with poker:



Diagram illustrating the seating arrangement and card hands of seven players around a table. The players are Aggie, Butch, Dolly, Jesse, Merle, Patsy, and Tammy. The cards shown are:

- Aggie: A♠, Q♦, 2♥, A♦, 9♠
- Butch: J♣, 9♣, Q♣, 10♣, 8♣
- Dolly: 4♥, A♥, 7♥, Q♥, 6♥
- Jesse: Q♠, 9♥, K♣, J♦, 10♦
- Merle: 3♦, Q♠, K♠, 3♣, K♦
- Patsy: 5♠, A♣, Q♣, 5♥, 5♣
- Tammy: (represented by a cactus)