



# Ropesight #1 – Introduction

This short essay **Ropesight #1 – Introduction** is part 1 of 5 essays to assist you with understanding and *getting* ropesight.

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To start with, just what is ropesight?

Ropesight is the ability to see, instinctively, the bell you are following next.

Profound apologies, but ropesight is not something you can learn!!! It is a gift which a bellringer suddenly experiences.

This section gives some help in developing ropesight using exercises which help you develop small steps in terms of call changes, leading, covering to plain hunt doubles, covering to plain bob doubles and ringing the treble to plain hunt doubles.

These steps will help you to develop a sense of spatial awareness with respect to where the other bells ring and where the position of your hands on the rope are in relation to those of the other ringers.

They will also enable you to get a sense of the rhythm of your bell (speed, moving your bell up or down places by ringing slower or quicker).

The end result will be eventually that you develop a sense of ringing almost by rhythm alone and the next bell you need to follow will “just be there!!”

At this stage, the answer to the question “Will I get ropesight?” is **if you work hard at it!!!**

Watch the more experienced ringers and ask questions!!!

You will only develop what you want to develop!!!