The Best Bowling Tip I Ever Received

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The best tip I ever received came in the early 1990s during a U.S. Open event in Connecticut, where I simply could not carry the 10-pin. I was bowling on the same pair of lanes with Pete McCordic, Bryan Gobel, Bob Learn, and Mike Aulby. I could not miss the pocket, but my carry was horrible.

Pete told me that I was forcing the ball down the lane and needed to let the ball work for me. After I grasped what he meant by the tip, the very next game I bowled a 290 followed by a 300.

That tip always comes to mind whenever I am struggling, particularly with my carry.

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