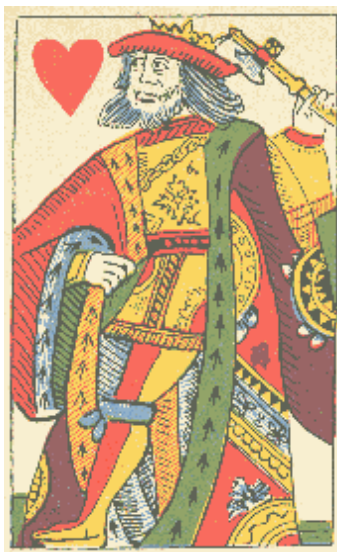




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Why does the king of hearts stab himself?

This image of an early English playing-card shows the king of hearts wielding an axe. Due to poor copying by blockmakers the axe lost its head over the years and the shaft was turned into a sword which appears to be driven into his head, hence the nickname “Suicide King”.



1567



1815



1995