

Counsel for the Defence 104 – Quiz

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 6

♥ 10 8 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ J 9 7 5 2



♠ A Q 5 3 2

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ 9 6 4 3

♣ —

West	North	East	South
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	1 ♠ ¹	2 ♦	4 ♠
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Pass	Pass	5 ♦	5 ♠
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Pass	Pass	6 ♦	Dbl
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All pass

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Q1: Do you agree with South's decisions in the auction?

Q2: What leads do you consider, and which do you choose?

Suppose you opt for the Q♥, you see partner overtake with the King, then cash the Ace

Trick 1: you lead Q♥: Q-2-K-3

Trick 2: partner leads A♥: A-5-6-4

Q3: What is the remaining heart position?

Partner continues with a spade, on which declarer discards a club

Trick 3 - partner leads 4 ♠: 4 ♠-6 ♠-?

Q4: What's your general plan for the defence?

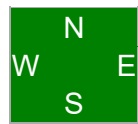
Q5: How specifically do you continue from here?

Post Mortem

Q6: What do you think about the other players' bidding decisions?

Q7: How would we have fared in a spade contract?

Board 2
East Deals
N-S Vul



♠ Q 7 6 4
♥ K 9 7
♦ A 7 4
♣ 9 6 5

♠ 10 5
♥ A J 3
♦ Q 8 5 3
♣ Q 8 7 2

West	North	East	South
		Pass	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	Pass	3 ♠	All pass

Q1: What do you think partner has for his X?

Q2: Do you agree with the South actions?; did you have any other options?

Partner leads J♦, the first trick going:

J♦: J-4-8-K

Q3: Do you agree with the play of the 8♦ (playing Standard Attitude) at Trick 1 and what do you know about the diamond position?

Q4: Do you have any clues about the club layout at this point?

Declarer plays the Ace and another spade, partner winning the second round and continuing another diamond won by dummy. Then declarer plays a club, partner winning.

Trick 2: Declarer plays A♠: A-8-4-5

Trick 3: Declarer PLays 2 ♠: 2-K-6-10

Q5: What is the remaining trump position?

Trick 4: partner leads 2 ♦: 2-A-3-9

Trick 5: dummy leads 5 ♣: 5-7-K-A

Partner leads yet another diamond, declarer ruffing, then declarer tries leading a heart toward the Nine on table

Trick 6: partner leads 6 ♦: 6 ♦-7 ♦-Q♦-3 ♠

Trick 7: declarer leads 5 ♥: 5-4-9-?

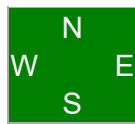
Q6: What are your general thoughts about the defence at this point? How specifically do you play from here?

Post Mortem

Q7: What do you think of the other players' actions in the auction?

Q8: How would you have fared in a club contract?

Board 3
South Deals
E-W Vul



♠ A 8 4
♥ Q 8 6 4
♦ K 8
♣ J 8 7 2

♠ 10 6
♥ K J 10 3
♦ Q 7 6 4
♣ A 9 6

West	North	East	South
			Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	All pass

Q1 What is the normal meaning of a 3 ♠ raise after a Weak Two?

Partner leads a trump, declarer winning and drawing another round

Trick 1: partner leads 7 ♠: 7-A-6-2

Trick 2: dummy leads 4 ♠: 4-10-K-5

Q2: What is the remaining trump position?

Q3: Why might partner have started with a trump?

Now declarer plays a low club to dummy's Jack

Trick 3: declarer leads 4 ♠-3 ♠-J-?

Q4: Partner's 3 ♠ is the start of a count signal - given this what are your thoughts about the club position?

Q5: What are your thoughts about the unseen honour cards in the non-trump suits?

Q6: How do you defend from here?

Post Mortem

Q7: Do you agree with the opposition bidding?

Q8: How was declarer's line?