

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul



♠ Q 3 2
 ♥ K 7
 ♦ A J 9
 ♣ Q 9 8 4 3

♠ K 9 5 4
 ♥ Q 8 3 2
 ♦ K 10
 ♣ K 10 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			Pass
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 NT	3 ♠
4 ♦	Pass	4 ♥	Dbl
All pass			

Q1: Is someone around the table telling porkies?

Q2: Do you agree with South's actions in the auction?

Q3: What do you imagine West's likely shape to be?

Trick 1: Partner leads A♠: A-2-9-6

Trick 2: Partner continues J♠: J-Q-K-4 ♥

Trick 3: Declarer draws a round of trumps: 6 ♥: 6-5-K-2

Trick 4: Declarer successfully finesses the 10♥: 7-3-10-9

Q4: How many trumps does declarer have remaining?

Trick 5: Declarer attempts a diamond finesse leading

the 2 ♦ from hand: 2-3-J-K

What do you lead now? What is your masterplan to defeat the contract? If you score a diamond ruff later, what will you do then?

Q5: Finally - was declarer right to play the Q♠ at Trick 2?

Board 2

East Deals

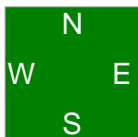
None Vul

♠ 10 9 7 4

♥ Q 8

♦ Q 5

♣ Q J 8 7 6



♠ Q 6 2

♥ K 6 3

♦ A K 10 3

♣ 10 9 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 ♦	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
Pass	2 ♥	3 ♦	All pass

Q1: Why did partner overcall at his second turn not his first turn? What are you expecting him to hold?

Q2: Were you tempted to either call 3 ♥ or X at your last turn to bid? By the way, why would X be a clear penalty double at this point?

Trick 1: You lead partner's suit: 3 ♥: 3-8-9-A

Q3: Can you place the Ten and Jack of Hearts?

Q4: Did declarer get Trick 1 right?

Tricks 2 and 3: Declarer plays off AK♣, your partner playing the 3 then the 4.

At Trick 4, declarer leads a low heart.

Q5: What is declarer up to, and what is your defensive plan?

Board 3

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 8
♥ A Q J 3
♦ K Q 7 5 4
♣ 6 4



♠ K 4 3 2
♥ 5 4 2
♦ A J 2
♣ K 10 2

West	North	East	South
1♦	Pass	2♣	Pass
2♦	Pass	3NT	All pass

unseen honour cards ie K♥, and AQJ♣?

At Trick 4, declarer leads a low diamond from hand.

Q3: Are you hopping up with your Ace and grabbing your spade trick or ducking this diamond round?

Q4: If you choose to duck, and if declarer now plays a club from dummy to her Q♣ in hand attempting to finesse it, how do you defend from here.

Q1: What do you know about declarer's strength and shape?

Trick 1: You make the normal 4th highest lead in spades
- 2♠: 2-8-J-7

At this point you can confidently place the Queen with partner. How? What are your thoughts about the location of the Ace of Spades?

Trick 2: Partner now tables the Queen: Q♠: Q-10-3-9

Trick 3: Partner continues the attack: 6♠: 6-A-4-4♦

Q2: What are your thoughts about the location of the