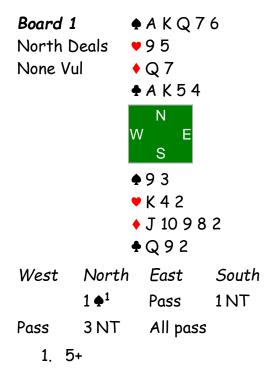
## Well I Do Declare! 76: Quiz



Q1a: Do you agree with the NS bidding sequence (given they are playing 5 card majors)?

Q1b: How would you have expected the auction to have progressed were they playing 4 card majors?

West leads 3 ♦, presumably fourth highest.

Q2: Do you agree you are delighted to see a diamond rather than a heart lead?

Q3: Which specific cards do you play at Trick 1 from dummy and hand and why?

Let's say you opt for the Queen from table and the 9 from hand, Trick 1 going 3 . 3-Q-A-9. East goes into the tank . . .

Q4: What is she thinking? Is there a certain frisson?

She continues a diamond, West winning the King. A third diamond is played.

Trick 2: East leads 5 •: 5-2-K-7

Trick 3: West leads 6 ♦: 6 ♦-5 ♥-8♥-J♦

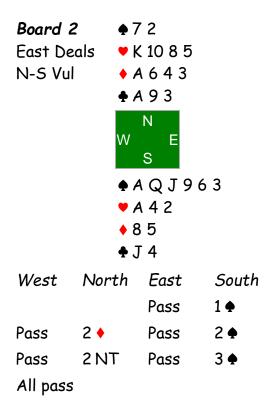
Q5: Do you agree your contract is now guaranteed?

Q6: How specifically do you play to give yourself the best chance of one or more overtricks?

## Post Mortem

Q7: Would you have bid as EW at any point?

Q8: If the defence had sight of all four hands, how would they have played to defeat the contract?



Q1: Do you agree with the North-South decisions in the auction?

West leads  $K\Phi$ , and you see you reason not to win and try a trump finesse which succeeds.

Trick 1: West leads K+: K-A-5-4

Trick 2: Dummy leads 2 ♠: 2-5-Q-4

Q2: Do you agree with declarer's decisions thus far?

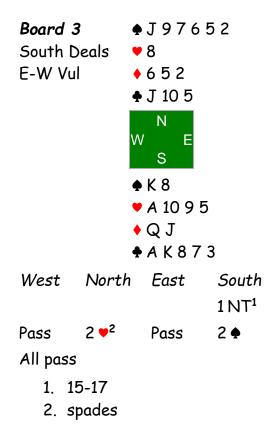
Q3: How many losers / potential losers are there in each suit?

Q4: What is your best chance of eliminating one of these?

Q5: What is your general plan from here, and how specifically do you play?

## Post Mortem

Q6: Could the defence have scored one more trick if they had sight of all the cards?



Q1: You are playing a strong NT in this partnership - would you have opened 1NT as stated, or would you prefer 1 Club?

West leads a small heart, and you see the dummy which at least has some shape if only meagre values.

The first trick completes: 6 ♥: 6-8-Q-A

Q2: What are your thoughts about the heart position?

Q3: How many losers / potential losers do you have in each suit?

Q4: What is your general plan, and how specifically do you proceed now?

## Post Mortem

Q5: Should the contract have been defeated on the lay of the cards?

Q6: Would you have go into the auction at any point as East or West?

Q7: How do they fare in a red suit contract?