

## Well I Do Declare! 97: Quiz

**Board 1**      ♠ K Q J  
South Deals    ♥ A Q 10 7 5  
None Vul      ♦ K 10  
                 ♣ J 9 4

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W		E
	S	

♠ A 10 9 4 2  
♥ —  
♦ A 6 3 2  
♣ A K Q 3

West	North	East	South
			1♠ <sup>1</sup>
Pass	2NT <sup>2</sup>	Pass	6♠
Pass	7♠	All pass	

1. 5+
2. Jacoby  
2NT

Explanatory bidding note: NS are playing the Jacoby 2 NT convention in which responder shows a game-forcing hand agreeing partner's major with some interest in slam.

Q1: Given the above, what are your thoughts about the NS auction?

West leads Q♦.

Q2: What is your general approach to making the grand slam?

Q3a: What is the specific order of play which minimises the risk?

Q3b: What is the only thing which can go wrong, and how likely is this?

### Post Mortem

Q4: How annoying is this stupid game? especially when you see that there is another line to make - what is it?

**Board 2**      ♠ Q 4 2  
 East Deals    ♥ Q 10 9  
 N-S Vul        ♦ A 10 5  
                  ♣ Q 9 4 3



♠ A 10  
 ♥ A 8 6 5  
 ♦ J 8  
 ♣ A K J 8 6

West	North	East	South
		Pass	1NT <sup>1</sup>
Pass	3NT	All pass	

1. 15-17

Q1: Do you agree with the NS bidding decisions (given they are playing a strong 1NT range)?

East leads a low diamond which runs to West's King. East returns the suit which goes to West's Queen and dummy's Ace.

Trick 1: West leads 4 ♦: 4-5-K-8

Trick 2: East leads 7 ♦: 7-J-Q-A

Q2: Do you agree that you cannot do worse than make 9 tricks?

Q3: What is the best suit to play on to attempt to make overtricks, and what options are there for playing the suit?

Q4: You decide to play 3 club winners immediately - why is this good tactics?

Trick 3: dummy leads 3 ♣: 3-7-A-5

Trick 4: you lead 6 ♣: 6-10-Q-2

Trick 5: dummy leads 4 ♣: 4 ♣-3 ♠-K♣-9♣

The opposition are playing standard attitude.

Q5: What have you learnt at Trick 5?

You decide to play a low heart from hand, West following low

Trick 6: you lead 5 ♥: 5-2-?

Q6: What are your thoughts about the heart position? Is it a 50/50 guess as to what to play from dummy?

Say you choose the 9, seeing trick 5 complete: 5 ♥: 5-2-9-K

Q7: What do you know about the heart position?

Q8: When East plays a low spade, how do you continue from here?

### **Post Mortem**

Q9: How was the defence?

**Board 3**      ♠ A K 10 4  
 South Deals    ♥ K 8 7 6 5  
 E-W Vul        ♦ Q 10 5 2  
                     ♣ —



♠ 8 7 2  
 ♥ A Q J 4  
 ♦ 9 6 4  
 ♣ 7 5 4

West	North	East	South
			Pass
1 ♣	Dbl	2 ♣	2 ♥
3 ♣	4 ♥	All pass	

Q1: Do you agree with the stated NS bidding?

West leads A♣.

Q2: How many losers / potential losers do you have in each suit?

Q3: What is your general approach, and how specifically do you tackle the hand?

**Post Mortem**

Q4: How would the opposition have fared in a club contract?