

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5

♠ 8 3

♥ J 10 6 2

♦ K J 9 5 4 2

♣ 3



♠ 5

♥ 9 7 3

♦ A 8 7

♣ A K 9 8 6 4

♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

6  
5 11  
18

*West**North**East**South*

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

Lead: ♣ A

You are West. The bidding has been as shown. Partner led the ♣ A. Seeing your ♣ 3 he next played the ♦ A. What will you play on this trick?

When you have made your choice

Normally with this holding you would play the ♦ 9 to encourage East to play a second ♦ through dummy's ♦ Q T.

But this time you really want him to take his ♣ K. So play the discouraging ♦ 2 and hope he gets the message to go back to ♣s. If he does play the ♣ K next it will win and he can then give you a ♣ ruff.

**Deal 2**

East Deals  
None Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

West	North	East	South
3 NT	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT by East		Pass	Pass
Lead: ♥ 5			

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

You are North. The bidding has been as shown. Partner led the ♥ 5, you put on the ♥ J, East won with the ♥ A. The second trick was ♦ A, ♦ 2, ♦ 3, ♦ 5. The third trick was ♦ J, ♦ 6, ♦ 8, ♦ 7. East then put the ♣ Q on the table.

When you have made your choice

Does it look to you like East is trying to create an entry to dummy so he can cash the 2 ♦ winners? That's what he wants it to look like, hoping someone holds up their ♣ A.

But don't believe Declarer, believe your partner. On the first ♦ South played the ♦ 2. On the second ♦ he played the ♦ 6. He has an odd number of ♦s, obviously 3. And East must also have a third one, so

he is up to some trickery with that ♣ Q.

So grab your ♣ A and return partner's ♥ suit.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 5  
♥ 9 7 4 2  
♦ 8 6 2  
♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
o 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	5 NT	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♠ by South  
Lead: ♠ 5

You are East. The bidding has been as shown. The 2 ♥ bid was a transfer. The 5 NT bid meant to choose either 6 ♠ or 6 NT. South liked the suit. Partner led the ♠ 5, won by South's ♠ Q. South pulls one more trump with his ♠ A, then wins three high ♦s. Next comes dummy's ♥ A on which he plays the ♥ 3 and West plays the ♥ 9. Then he leads dummy's ♥ 6 which you win with the ♥ Q. On this trick South drops the ♥ J and West the ♥ 2. It is your play.

When you have made your choice

If you believe South is now out of ♥s then you should not play your ♥ K because it would give him a ruff-sluff.

But you shouldn't believe South when your partner has sent you a clear signal that he holds an EVEN number of ♥s. In

this case an even number must be 4 which means that South has one more ♥. So you play your ♥ K. He ruffs in dummy of course, but then has no way to get rid of that ♣ loser when the finesse fails.

If you had not been paying attention to West's signal you might have decided to risk a ♣ lead - with a disastrous result.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 3

♥ K Q 7 6 4 3

♦ K 10

♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

West

1 ♥

4 ♥

4 ♥ by West

Lead: ♣ A

♠ A Q 10

♥ 9 2

♦ 8 5 2

♣ A K 10 6 3

W N  
S E

♠ 9 8 7 5 2

♥ 10 5

♦ 9 7 4 3

♣ Q 2

North

1 ♣

Pass

Pass

East

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

You are North. The bidding has been as shown. You led the ♣ A, South played the ♣ 2 and West the ♣ 9. What should you play to the second trick?

When you have made your choice

On first thought South's ♣ 2 seems to be a discouraging signal. Think again.

After the first trick you know the location of every ♣ except the ♣ Q and ♣ J. If South started with ♣ J 2 he would have signaled with the ♣ J. If South started with ♣ Q J 2 he would have signaled with the ♣ Q. Since he did neither he started either with singleton ♣ 2 or with ♣ Q 2. In either case you should play a low ♣ now which he will either win with his ♣ Q or he will ruff.

It turns out that he wins with the ♣ Q, then leads a ♠ back to your ♠ A Q.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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



**Deal 9**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17

7

16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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

**Deal 13**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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



**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 5  
♥ 9 7 4 2  
♦ 8 6 2  
♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4  
♥ A 6  
♦ Q J 3  
♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2  
♥ J 10 3  
♦ A K 10  
♣ J 10 3

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

**Deal 20**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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

**Deal 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

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

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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



**Deal 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 26**  
East Deals  
Both Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17

7

16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5  
♥ 9 7 3  
♦ A 8 7  
♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 30**  
East Deals  
None Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ Q J 3

♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2

♥ J 10 3

♦ A K 10

♣ J 10 3

♠ 10 3

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ 9 7 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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



**Deal 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 3  
♥ J 10 6 2  
♦ K J 9 5 4 2  
♣ 3

6  
5 11  
18

♠ K Q J 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 5

♦ 6

♣ 10 7 5



♠ A 10 6

♥ A K Q 4

♦ Q 10 3

♣ Q J 2

♠ 5

♥ 9 7 3

♦ A 8 7

♣ A K 9 8 6 4

**Deal 34**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ 9 6 4  
♦ K Q 8 3  
♣ K 7 3

6  
8 20  
6

♠ J 10 7 3  
♥ J 7 2  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ A 9 5



♠ 9 8 5  
♥ K Q 8 5 3  
♦ 9 6 2  
♣ J 4

♠ A K Q  
♥ A 10  
♦ A J 4  
♣ Q 10 8 6 2

**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 5  
♥ 9 7 4 2  
♦ 8 6 2  
♣ 7 6 5 2

17  
0 7  
16

♠ K 9 8 6 4  
♥ A 6  
♦ Q J 3  
♣ A K 9



♠ A Q J 2  
♥ J 10 3  
♦ A K 10  
♣ J 10 3

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

**Deal 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 3  
♥ K Q 7 6 4 3  
♦ K 10  
♣ J 9

13  
13 12  
2

♠ A Q 10  
♥ 9 2  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ A K 10 6 3



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

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