

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3  
 ♥ T 4  
 ♦ K J 8 4  
 ♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5  
 ♥ A K 8 5 2  
 ♦ A 9 2  
 ♣ K J

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 9 4 2  
 ♥ 7 3  
 ♦ T 7 5  
 ♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6  
 ♥ Q J 9 6  
 ♦ Q 6 3  
 ♣ A 7 4 3 2

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	6 ♥	All Pass	

6 ♥ by North

♦ losers and make the contract.

Now assume you play low. North will play the ♠ Q which will win the trick and he will no longer have a ♠ loser. BUT - now he will have no way to dispose of the two ♦ losers and will go down 1.

**Baker SecondHand 19**

You are West. The bidding has been as shown.

Partner led the ♥ 3, you play ♥ T and North wins the ♥ A. North pulls the last two trumps by leading low to dummy's ♥ Q. He now calls for the ♠ 6. Will you play your ♠ A or not?

When you have made your choice

When a singleton in dummy is led through your Ace it is more often better to play low than to go up with the Ace. Declarer might not even have the King, or he may have the King Jack combination and guess wrong.

Here it works out best to play low even though North has the ♠ K Q 5.

Assume you play your ♠ A. North will play his loser, of course, and later will be able to discard two of dummy's ♦ s on the ♠ K Q. He can then ruff his two

**Board 2**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
 ♥ J 8 7 4  
 ♦ A 3  
 ♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

West

1NT

6 ♠

North

Pass

All Pass

East

3 ♠

South

Pass

6 ♠ by West

**Baker SecondHand 20**

You are South. The bidding has been as shown.

You lead the ♦ J and dummy's ♦ A wins the first trick. Declarer pulls trumps with dummy's ♠ K, then his ♠ A. He then plays his ♦ K and follows with ♣ Q, ♣ K and ♣ A, discarding a ♥ from his hand on the last.

With all that completed East plays the ♥ A. What do you play?

When you have made your choice

It may look foolish to waste your ♥ K but look what will happen if you don't. East will follow up with another ♥ and when you win the ♥ K you will be forced to play a minor suit. Since both West and East are out of ♦ s and ♣ s you will be giving them a ruff-sluff and the contract.

But if you dump your ♥ K under East's ♥ A look at what's left. East has ♥ losers and when he plays a ♥ from either hand North will scoop up two tricks with his ♥ Q T.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
♥ J 8 7 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2  
♥ Q T 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5  
♥ A 9 6 2  
♦ K 7  
♣ Q 3

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

**Board 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2



Board 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3  
♥ T 4  
♦ K J 8 4  
♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5  
♥ A K 8 5 2  
♦ A 9 2  
♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2  
♥ 7 3  
♦ T 7 5  
♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6  
♥ Q J 9 6  
♦ Q 6 3  
♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
♥ J 8 7 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2  
♥ Q T 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5  
♥ A 9 6 2  
♦ K 7  
♣ Q 3

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

**Board 11**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 13**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2



**Board 17**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
♥ J 8 7 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2  
♥ Q T 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5  
♥ A 9 6 2  
♦ K 7  
♣ Q 3

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

**Board 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 20**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
♥ J 8 7 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2  
♥ Q T 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5  
♥ A 9 6 2  
♦ K 7  
♣ Q 3

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

**Board 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2



**Board 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 26**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 30**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2

**Board 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2



**Board 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 34**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q T 3  
♥ J 8 7 4  
♦ A 3  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2  
♥ Q T 3  
♦ Q 8 6 2  
♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5  
♥ A 9 6 2  
♦ K 7  
♣ Q 3

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

**Board 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 8 7 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J 8 4

♣ 9 8

♠ K Q 5

♥ A K 8 5 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ K J



♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 7 3

♦ T 7 5

♣ Q T 6 5

♠ 6

♥ Q J 9 6

♦ Q 6 3

♣ A 7 4 3 2

**Board 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q T 3

♥ J 8 7 4

♦ A 3

♣ A K 7

♠ 7 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ Q 8 6 2

♣ J T 5 4



♠ A J 9 6 5

♥ A 9 6 2

♦ K 7

♣ Q 3

♠ 8 4

♥ K 5

♦ J T 9 5 4

♣ 9 8 6 2