



Hands for Lesson 44

Deal 44.1	♠ K98652 ♥ AK ♦ KQJ5 ♣ 9	None Vul Dealer North
♠ J4 ♥ Q1097 ♦ A73 ♣ J763	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ 3 ♥ J643 ♦ 10964 ♣ A852
	♠ AQ107 ♥ 852 ♦ 82 ♣ KQ104	

West	North	East	South
-	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♠	All Pass	

Lead ♦ 10 (top of a sequence)

A sore disappointment for North but at least Blackwood saves him from a slam off two aces. No need to cue bid. North has all suits controlled and a good source of tricks.

Deal 44.2	♠ 64 ♥ 53 ♦ KQ108 ♣ J8643	NS Vul Dealer East
♠ K8 ♥ KQJ982 ♦ A964 ♣ 7	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ AQ1053 ♥ A1074 ♦ 53 ♣ AQ
	♠ J972 ♥ 6 ♦ J72 ♣ K10952	

West	North	East	South
-	-	1♠	Pass
2♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

Lead ♦ K (top of a sequence)

There is an inevitable diamonds loser, and you must ruff a spade to establish the suit. (West might try 5NT to check the King situation, but 6♥ will still be the contract)

Deal 44.3	♠ J74 ♥ A32 ♦ AJ1083 ♣ 76	EW Vul Dealer South
♠ 1093 ♥ 964 ♦ 65 ♣ A8542	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ KQ852 ♥ J10875 ♦ - ♣ J103
	♠ A6 ♥ KQ ♦ KQ9742 ♣ KQ9	

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

Lead ♠ 10 (top of touching cards)

South has all suits controlled and a good source of tricks. There would be a problem if North had no Aces but that is unlikely.

Deal 44.4	♠ A8642 ♥ 4 ♦ KJ862 ♣ 105	All Vul Dealer West
♠ 93 ♥ AK1096 ♦ A3 ♣ J832	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ K7 ♥ Q875 ♦ 5 ♣ AKQ964
	♠ QJ105 ♥ J32 ♦ Q10974 ♣ 7	

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

Lead ♠ Q. (top of a sequence)

East has no cue-bid. Even if West has only 1 Ace, the response to RKCB would be 5♣, and that would be the contract.



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Deal 44.5	♠ 86 ♥ 95 ♦ AK3 ♣ AQ8762	NS Vul Dealer North									
♠ Q10742 ♥ 83 ♦ QJ1052 ♣ 10	<table border="1"><tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr></table>		N		W		E		S		♠ KJ953 ♥ Q1064 ♦ 764 ♣ 9
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ A ♥ AKJ72 ♦ 98 ♣ KJ543										

West	North	East	South
-	1♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♣	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♠	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♦	Pass	7♣

Lead: ♠5 (low from an honour)

South sets trumps and uses RKCB after. North shows a diamond control. One King is enough to cover the Diamond loser and the Heart suit provides a good source of tricks

<i>Deal 44.6</i>	♠ 103 ♥ 73 ♦ KQJ84 ♣ 10652	EW Vul Dealer East									
♠ KQ642 ♥ K5 ♦ 63 ♣ A973	<table><tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr></table>		N		W		E		S		♠ AJ75 ♥ AQJ84 ♦ A95 ♣ 8
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ 98 ♥ 10962 ♦ 1072 ♣ KOJ4										

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

Lead: ♦K (top of a sequence)

West can only use RKCB after East shows a diamond control. West might use 5NT but will sign off in 6♠ when East has no Kings

<i>Deal 44.7</i>	♠ J865 ♥ K10532 ♦ 64 ♣ A7	All Vul Dealer South									
♠ 10 ♥ 764 ♦ J852 ♣ Q10852	<table border="1"><tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr></table>		N		W		E		S		♠ 97 ♥ AQJ8 ♦ 107 ♣ KJ643
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ AKQ432 ♥ 9 ♦ AKQ93 ♣ 9										

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

Lead: ♣5 (low from an honour)

5/6/7 depends simply on North's aces, after. South opens with a game-forcing 2♣, and spades are agreed as trumps. North shows one Ace, so 6♠ is the spot.

Deal 44.8	♠ 8 ♥ AK742 ♦ J632 ♣ 872	None Vul Dealer West									
♠ AJ107 ♥ 986 ♦ A9 ♣ J1054	<table><tr><td></td><td>N</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>W</td><td></td><td>E</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>S</td><td></td></tr></table>		N		W		E		S		♠ KQ543 ♥ 3 ♦ KQ874 ♣ AK
	N										
W		E									
	S										
	♠ 962 ♥ QJ105 ♦ 105 ♣ O963										

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

Lead: ♥Q (top of a sequence)

East has all suits controlled and a good source of tricks. East might start with a 4♣ cue bid, (followed by 4♦ from West) before using RKCB.