



Hands for Lesson 41

Deal 41.1	♠ J862 ♥ AQJ10 ♦ K9 ♣ A72	None Vul Dealer North
♠ K ♥ 975432 ♦ Q82 ♣ 983	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ Q743 ♥ - ♦ J765 ♣ KQ1054
	♠ A1095 ♥ K86 ♦ A1043 ♣ J6	

West	North	East	South
-	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠

Lead: ♥7 (high denies honour, hoping E can ruff)

The ruff is nasty but do not panic. Win ♣K switch and play ♠A and another to stop more ruffs. Draw the last trump asap for 10 tricks.

Deal 41.2	♠ 98642 ♥ A104 ♦ 10 ♣ AQ63	NS Vul Dealer East
♠ Q5 ♥ 7 ♦ AK97632 ♣ J82	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ AKJ7 ♥ KQ965 ♦ QJ4 ♣ 9
	♠ 103 ♥ J832 ♦ 85 ♣ K10754	

West	North	East	South
-	-	1♥	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♦	Pass	5♦	All Pass

Lead: ♣A (unbid suit, do not underlead aces)

East reverses, then raises partner's rebid suit. If North does not cash his other ace West discards his heart and makes 12 tricks.

Deal 41.3	♠ AK1096 ♥ A1054 ♦ 7 ♣ AK7	EW Vul Dealer South
♠ J852 ♥ Q8 ♦ J983 ♣ Q83	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ Q3 ♥ J73 ♦ KQ1042 ♣ J65
	♠ 74 ♥ K962 ♦ A65 ♣ 10942	

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥

Lead: ♦K (top of a sequence)

North's jump to 3♥ is game-forcing. With 4-card support South has an easy raise. Draw 2 trump then ruff 2 spades.

Deal 41.4	♠ 85 ♥ 642 ♦ A972 ♣ AKJ6	All Vul Dealer West
♠ KQJ10 ♥ AK9875 ♦ 103 ♣ 2	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ A42 ♥ J10 ♦ KJ864 ♣ Q43
	♠ 9763 ♥ Q3 ♦ Q5 ♣ 109875	

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	2NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♥	All Pass

Lead ♣A. (A from AK)

West is not strong enough to reverse but when East invite game he can show his 6-4 shape. 4♥ is better than 3NT



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Deal 41.5 ♠ K65 NS Vul
♥ 108 Dealer North
♦ J72
♣ QJ1086

♠ AJ82	N	♠ Q974
♥ AJ973	W	♥ K6
♦ K4	E	♦ AQ986
♣ A3	S	♣ 42

♠ 103
♥ Q542
♦ 1053
♣ K975

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

Lead: ♣Q (top of a sequence)

West is strong enough to reverse into 2♠: partner can still have 4 cards in spades, and you can stand preference to 3♥.

Deal 41.6 ♠ Q72 EW Vul
♥ K432 Dealer East
♦ 103
♣ AKQJ

♠ A85	N	♠ K1094
♥ Q765	W	♥ J108
♦ K84	E	♦ Q5
♣ 1053	S	♣ 9764

♠ J63
♥ A9
♦ AJ9762
♣ 82

West	North	East	South
-	-	Pass	Pass
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT

Lead: ♠10 (top of an interior sequence)

North has 15HCP opposite 10+ and rebids 2NT. With a semi-balanced hand South bids 3NT. Take the double diamond finesse.

Deal 41.7 ♠ J986 All Vul
♥ KJ52 Dealer South
♦ 1084
♣ K2

♠ AK4	N	♠ 1072
♥ A97	W	♥ Q10643
♦ 965	E	♦ A73
♣ Q963	S	♣ 87

♠ Q53
♥ 8
♦ KQJ2
♣ AJ1054

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	1♣
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♣
All Pass			

Lead ♠A (ace from ace-king)

South is not worth a reverse into 2♦ which might force his side to the 3-level. North has nothing to add, nowhere to go.

Deal 41.8 ♠ 953 None Vul
♥ 75 Dealer West
♦ K75432
♣ 95

♠ KJ10	N	♠ Q82
♥ KQ84	W	♥ J963
♦ -	E	♦ AQ6
♣ AKJ843	S	♣ 1072

♠ A764
♥ A102
♦ J1098
♣ Q6

West	North	East	South
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

Lead ♦J (top of a sequence)

When East bids hearts West becomes can add several 'fit' points, enough to make his hand worth game.