



Hands for Lesson 23

Deal 23.1	♠ 6 ♥ Q982 ♦ Q65 ♣ A10943	None Vul Dealer North
♠ A102 ♥ K763 ♦ J1094 ♣ 85	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ J973 ♥ AJ54 ♦ K82 ♣ Q7
	♠ KQ854 ♥ 10 ♦ A73 ♣ KJ62	

West	North	East	South
-	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	3♣	All Pass	

Lead: ♦J.

A maximum of 5 losers, 2 in diamonds when ♦Q does not score! Draw trump and play spades

Deal 23.2	♠ A75 ♥ A3 ♦ Q932 ♣ Q1082	NS Vul Dealer East
♠ K63 ♥ Q10952 ♦ 84 ♣ AJ7	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ J9 ♥ KJ874 ♦ A105 ♣ K63
	♠ Q10842 ♥ 6 ♦ KJ76 ♣ 954	

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

Lead: ♠4.

We do not underlead aces, so low in dummy. Now there are at most 4 losers. Knock out ♥A, draw trump, play clubs

Deal 23.3	♠ K6 ♥ QJ96 ♦ J1054 ♣ AK5	EW Vul Dealer South
♠ A987 ♥ 72 ♦ 973 ♣ 10863	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ QJ1052 ♥ K54 ♦ K6 ♣ Q74
	♠ 43 ♥ A1083 ♦ AQ82 ♣ J92	

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	Pass
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

Lead: ♠Q.

4 losers. Take the trump finesse, then the diamond finesse. 11 tricks when they both work.

Deal 23.4	♠ K75 ♥ J10974 ♦ A62 ♣ 76	All Vul Dealer West
♠ AQJ84 ♥ A83 ♦ 9 ♣ AK43	<div> <div>N</div> <div>W E</div> <div>S</div> </div>	♠ 10632 ♥ K65 ♦ KJ7 ♣ Q92
	♠ 9 ♥ Q2 ♦ Q108543 ♣ J1085	

West	North	East	South
1♠	Pass	2♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

Lead: ♥J.

Only 3 possible losers, so draw trump with a finesse. Test clubs in case they are 3-3 they don't break so 10 tricks.



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Deal 23.5	♠ KQ72 ♥ Q64 ♦ AQ95 ♣ 103	None Vul Dealer North
♠ 984 ♥ A1052 ♦ K72 ♣ 542	<div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 10 ♥ J983 ♦ 863 ♣ KQJ96
	♠ AJ653 ♥ K7 ♦ J104 ♣ A87	

Deal 23.6	♠ 10742 ♥ 8 ♦ K72 ♣ J9874	NS Vul Dealer East
♠ A65 ♥ KJ7632 ♦ A98 ♣ 10	<div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 983 ♥ A10 ♦ Q1053 ♣ AKQ2
	♠ KQJ ♥ Q954 ♦ J64 ♣ 653	

Deal 23.7	♠ 862 ♥ K94 ♦ A42 ♣ AKQ5	EW Vul Dealer South
♠ A9 ♥ QJ10 ♦ J9853 ♣ 1084	<div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ 73 ♥ A852 ♦ KQ7 ♣ J932
	♠ KQJ1054 ♥ 763 ♦ 106 ♣ 76	

Deal 23.8	♠ 1098 ♥ 3 ♦ AK6 ♣ 1085432	All Vul Dealer West
♠ 653 ♥ Q1065 ♦ QJ10 ♣ AQ6	<div style="display: inline-block; border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> N W E S </div>	♠ A72 ♥ AKJ974 ♦ 84 ♣ K9
	♠ KQJ4 ♥ 82 ♦ 97532 ♣ J7	

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

Lead: ♣K. 3 Losers Draw trump, noting when East shows out. The Work Suit is diamonds. They break 3-3, so discard a club.

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

Lead: ♠2. 5 losers, so discard 2 spades before giving up the lead in trump. Try a diamond to the queen

West	North	East	South
-	-	-	Pass
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	1NT	Pass	2♠

Lead: ♥Q. The defence cash 3 hearts and Switch to diamonds. Discard a diamond on a high club before giving up the lead in trump

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

Lead: ♠K. East has 4 losers, but one goes on a high club. You can draw trump without losing the lead so do that first.