Hands for Lesson 40

40.1 — None Vul, Dealer North

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              ♠ AQ732
              ♥ K75
              ♦ 7
              ♣ AJ103
♠ -                        ♠ 109
♥ QJ104        N           ♥ A962
♦ AKJ863    W   E          ♦ Q10
♣ K95          S           ♣ Q8742
              ♠ KJ8654
              ♥ 83
              ♦ 9542
              ♣ 6
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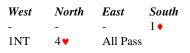| West	North	East	South
-	1♠	Pass	4♠
5♦	All Pass		

Lead A♠ (Partner's suit)

*6-card support for partner's suit is ideal for an advance sacrifice, especially when it makes. If West is brave enough to bid he deserves a good score -.it is poor tactics to sacrifice **after** you have given them a crucial guess.*

40.2 — NS Vul, Dealer East

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              ♠ -
              ♥ AJ873
              ♦ K52
              ♣ J10963
♠ 10763                    ♠ KQJ9842
♥ 10962        N           ♥ 4
♦ 6         W   E          ♦ J1083
♣ A874         S           ♣ 5
              ♠ A5
              ♥ KQ5
              ♦ AQ974
              ♣ KQ2
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West	North	East	South
-	-	3♠	Dble
4♠	5♥	Pass	Pass
5♠	Pass	Pass	Dble

Lead A♥   (Partner's suit)

West knows of an 11-card trump fit, and sacrifices with his singleton and useful ace. 9 tricks (S plays 2 rounds of trump to limit ruffs in dummy). Cheaper than –650 in 5 ♥. 6 ♥ will go down if E gets a club ruff

40.3 — EW Vul, Dealer South

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              ♠ -
              ♥ AQJT87
              ♦ A974
              ♣ 1032
♠ AJ93                     ♠ 1087542
♥ K6           N           ♥ 2
♦ K85       W   E          ♦ 3
♣ KQ95         S           ♣ J8764
              ♠ KQ6
              ♥ 9543
              ♦ QJ1062
              ♣ A
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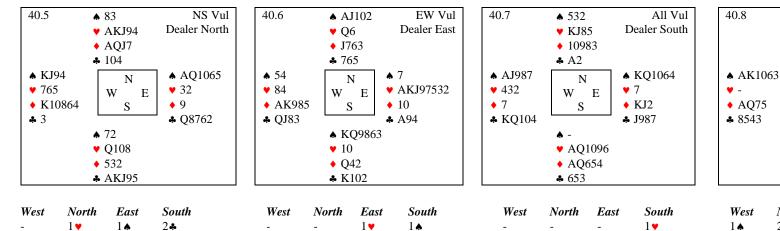| West	North	East	South
-	-	-	1♦
1NT	4♥	All Pass	

Lead 3♦   (looking for a ruff)

At a different vulnerability E might bid 4 ♠, but at Red v Green it is too risky. NS actually make slam, but there are 5 losers in spades, including a club ruff making a sacrifice too expensive.

40.4 — All Vul, Dealer West

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              ♠ 83
              ♥ J76
              ♦ A7
              ♣ AQJ942
♠ A97                      ♠ KJ62
♥ AQ842        N           ♥ 10953
♦ K843      W   E          ♦ Q1062
♣ 3            S           ♣ 7
              ♠ Q1054
              ♥ K
              ♦ J95
              ♣ K10865
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West	North	East	South
1♥	2♣	2♥	3♣
Pass	Pass	3♥	All Pass

Lead 6♣ (Partner's suit)

Not the time for NS to sacrifice. N has trump tricks and South has slow values in a fairly balanced hand. It is a bad time to overbid when you are both short in the same suit.

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40.5   ♠ 83   NS Vul / Dealer North

	♠ 83 ♥ AKJ94 ♦ AQJ7 ♣ 104	
♠ KJ94 ♥ 765 ♦ K10864 ♣ 3	N W E S	♠ AQ1065 ♥ 32 ♦ 9 ♣ Q8762
	♠ 72 ♥ Q108 ♦ 532 ♣ AKJ95	

West	North	East	South
-	1♥	1♠	2♣
2♠	3♦	3♠	4♥
4♠	Dbl	All Pass	

Lead A♣ followed by 8♥

With everybody bidding this is a guessing game. If NS decide to take the money they should lead trump whenever they can. East, unable to establish any length tricks, loses 500

40.6   EW Vul / Dealer East

	♠ AJ102 ♥ Q6 ♦ J763 ♣ 765	
♠ 54 ♥ 84 ♦ AK985 ♣ QJ83	N W E S	♠ 7 ♥ AKJ97532 ♦ 10 ♣ A94
	♠ KQ9863 ♥ 10 ♦ Q42 ♣ K102	

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

Lead 8♥ (Partner's suit0

East-West can actually make 11 tricks in 4 ♥ so South will be tempted to sacrifice. But 4 ♠ is not particularly cheap when East gets a diamond ruff.

40.7   All Vul / Dealer South

	♠ 532 ♥ KJ85 ♦ 10983 ♣ A2	
♠ AJ987 ♥ 432 ♦ 7 ♣ KQ104	N W E S	♠ KQ1064 ♥ 7 ♦ KJ2 ♣ J987
	♠ - ♥ AQ1096 ♦ AQ654 ♣ 653	

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

Lead A♠ (Partner's suit)

With the spade void South allows himself to be pushed to the 5-level, making easily. when diamonds lie well. As it happens, EW. have a cheap sacrifice in 5 ♠

40.8   None Vul / Dealer West

	♠ - ♥ KQJ962 ♦ 9832 ♣ AK9	
♠ AK1063 ♥ - ♦ AQ75 ♣ 8543	N W E S	♠ QJ75 ♥ 8543 ♦ K64 ♣ 106
	♠ 9842 ♥ A107 ♦ J10 ♣ QJ72	

West	North	East	South
1♠	2♥	2♠	3♥
4♠	5♥	All Pass	

Lead 5♠ (Partner's suit)

North reaches the 5-level, an easy make. Although EW appear to have just two losers the 4-0 trump break will prove a problem in 5 ♠.