

Homework answers –safe exits

1) The ace spades followed by the 2 spades.

If you got that then you have got it !

It is the ONLY way to make a safe exit on this hand

2) play the Ks p – next cash the Q hrts – next exit safely with a low spade.

Notice that we need to know what we are going to do 2 or 3 steps ahead.

3) Win with the Ace spades and exit with a spade.

Easy game bridge.

4) 2 clubs (or K clubs if you are a showy player).- you are engaging in a dangerous defence tis true but its your only chance with that strong looking dummy. If you don't get crackin' with clubs declarer will chuck any losers they have on the diamonds after your Ace is forced out.

5) 4NT looks right – inviting q-u-a-n-t-i-t-a-t-i-v-e-l-y

6) 2NT 10-12

7) 3D well done. [2D would be pathetic ..showing nowt]

8) Play A + K hrts – next trump a heart in dummy –next lead a spade to the NINE;

That will lose BUT when you next have the lead go to dummy's Ace diamonds –then lead a spade to the Jack.

Any other line is worse.

(ii) Win Ace hrts –then go to Ace diamonds –then lead a small spade to the J (it wins we 'ope)- next cash the Ace spades. Maybe the K spades dropped.

Again that's correct play.