

## Answers

1 (a) no better not –partner is weak ( 7 cards lowish points ). You wont make more than 8 or 9 tricks and the opps will doubleNB2 off vuln dble = minus 500

(b)this one's closer but you don't expect to make 4H and it might go 2 off ( even undoubled is minus 200 as vuln )

(ii) [a] if not vuln versus vuln then you should bid 5H NB if doubled -3 off is only minus 500 whereas their 5C will be worth 600

[b] now 4H is more reasonable as at least if u go off undoubled you are only losing 50 a trick

2) win Ace diamonds . Draw trumps. Lead the 5 diamonds to the 10 for a winning finesse.

If the lead had been the 3 of clubs ... play the 4 from dummy and beat the honour the next player plays ( say they played the Q ). . Draw trumps. Lead the 3clubs to the 9 for a winning finesse.

3) a) win ace hrts and return a heart ( the 8 for those who like to know these things)

b) win the Ace diamonds and switch to a club-the 9 clubs

4)a) 2H weak jump overcall

b)3H weak jump overcall

c)2C = Michaels ( the majors)

d)2NT – unusual ( the minors)

e) oh yes I can never remember this one -what I always bid is 3H or should it be 4H ? or ?

Splinter anyone ? 4D is the right response.