

## Homework --

1) 3clubs . A small club. You would rather hope to catch the K clubs with your Ace and dont want to waste it now. There would appear to be time enough to take it later. As for tricks " in the bag" we have this Ace clubs , the K sp is a cert too but there arent anymore obvious ones. Better to play doggo for now.  
If you play the Ace clubs you are almost certainly helping declarer.  
Imagine declarer holds Q52 clubs wouldnt they just luv you to play your Ace now so later they can enjoy the K + Q clubs. ? they would.

2) This time it looks like we can make the Ace clubs + Ace Hrts + K hrts + Ksp.  
Four tricks in the bag. So this is not the time to look the other way when a club is led.  
Jump up with the Ace and cash your hearts.

3) This is a little advanced !  
Anyway - the heart suit was either divided :-

(i) 
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{AJ92} \text{-----} | \text{-----} \text{1053} \\ \text{KQ4} \end{array}$$

*OR*

(ii) 
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{AJ92} \text{-----} | \text{-----} \text{103} \\ \text{KQ54} \end{array}$$

(By the way Im not saying you need to work this out at the table -  
it isnt necessary as you will see )

Now in (i) all you have to do is cash your Ace ( and the K drops ) and you get to play your winning J.

If however the cards lay as in (ii) the result of cashing your Ace will be that you set up a trick for declarer's K ( a trick they couldnt get on their own ).

Actually the card partner led might tell which of these two is the case BUT  
there is an easier practical way to deal with these things.

As the cashing of the Ace **does not beat the contract** then you shouldn't "risk it".  
NB even if the cards are as in (i) we only have 4 tricks [ K s + 9 H + A H + J H ].

By all means cash the Ace if by doing so you will have five tricks BUT dont do so if it only will get you up to 4 tricks.

Dont fear that you will miss your chance to take your Ace - if partner has another then if they get in we will beat the contract anyway when they lead the suit ; and if partner hasn't got another we have avoided the mistake of presenting declarer with a trick they couldnt get on their own.

4) Well the easy way to make 10 tricks ( and I have counted WINNERS to decide this )

- is to :
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| 1) Win the Ace hearts                         | 2) lead the Ace sp |
| 3) lead the Q sp ...losing to the opponents K | 4) lose a heart    |
| 5) lose a heart                               |                    |

and the rest are mine with no need to try club finesses or discard losers on the diamonds.

5) (i) the rebid should have been 3Sp ...because you had a five card spade suit

(ii) the rebid should have been 2NT ....because you had a four card spade suit

6) (i) lead the 3 sp to the J which wins.

lead the Ace spades ....and the K drops.

*is that likely ? as it is the only chance then it is unimportant how likely it is*

[You are just hoping that the player with the K sp has only two cards Kx ]

and of course you didnt make the beginners mistake of leading the Q

with Q 543-----AJ65

(ii) lead the 3 sp to the K which wins.

lead the 2 spades ....and play the 3 sp from hand .....and the A drops.

*is that likely ? as it is the only chance then it is unimportant how likely it is*

[You are just hoping that the player with the Ace sp has only two cards Ax ]

7) Win with the Ace clubs.

Lead the 2 diamonds to my partner's Ace.

Partner leads a low diamond which I win.

I cash two more diamond tricks for one off.

*what ? you didnt do that ? por que ? surely you worked out declarer held*

A + K + Q sp + K cl ie 12 pts and that therefore our partner had the Ace diamonds?