

Answers cuebids

- 1) 1H-----3H
4NT-----5D
6H
- 2) 1S-----3S
4C-----4H
4S-----Pass
- 3) 1H-----3H NB this Q3 might be bid
3S-----4NT in other ways but the 1st
5H-----6H 3 bids are definitely right
- 4) 1S-----3C
3H-----3S
4C-----4H
4S-----Pass
- 5) 1H-----3H
3S-----4D
4NT-----5D
6H-----Pass
- 6) 1H-----3H This contract is best but
3S-----4H* in time you will learn
Pass a subtle improvement at the
point of the (*). 4H will still
be reached.

- 7) 1S-----2D
2H-----4Sp NB this time the cuebids were started at the *five level*.
5C-----5D This doesn't often happen but is possible. Note that there is no way
6S of asking for aces if it does (4NT has been left behind)

8) You win (of course) and send the suit back (of course).

And really this should detain us no further.

It is a starting point that against *no trumps* a long suit is led and is returned by partner.

Learn now if you hadn't before.

9) A tricky defender would duck the Q clubs without a second's thought i.e. deliberately not take their K clubs. A nonthinking defender would take their K clubs straight away.

NB declarers don't like playing against tricky defenders and relish playing (and beating) the nonthinkers.

10) (i) Win Ace hearts; play Ace clubs; play K clubs (discarding a heart); play Q clubs (discarding a heart); lead a trump

(ii) Win Ace hearts; play K diamonds; play Ace diamonds; play Q diamonds (discarding a heart);
Lead a trump

Both (i) + (ii) required declarer to not draw trumps straight away. You need to see why.....

11) ok you didn't know this and probably can't guess the answer.

It is hand (a);

An opening call of 3NT is called the gambling 3NT and it shows a solid [AKQJ10xx] minor suit but with little else (and certainly no other Aces or Kings)

It is a means of getting over to partner that you have 7 tricks but still only a pre-empt.

It is called the gambling 3NT as partner is allowed to pass and *take the gamble* that 3NT will make.

These hands might reach (and make !) 3NT as follows:-

(opener)	(responder)
3NT	Pass

5	QJ9
65	AK2
543	QJ976
AKQJ1076	43

