

- 1) 2NT NB 3D is WRONG. “Very wrong ? Yes
“ Oh , Ive always bid the 2nd suit regardless oh how many points I have “Ho hum
- 2) “3Cl ?” YES hooray
- 3) 3D . “ I think Im getting this –as long as I am strong enough to go to game I can and should bid my 2nd suit at a high level “ Yes you seem to have it.....
- 4) Well who knows is one answer. Obvious candidates are (i) 3Sp and (ii) 3NT
What the question master (moi) had in mind Im not sure now (probably how many days before I can escape to Vietnam) but one point is that partner’s 3C was forcing to game . so if you only bid 3S then they are not allowed to pass. 3Sp stresses the spades , 3NT the diamond holding. Pays your money takes your chances.

Heres an extra question (answer at bottom of page)

4A what do you bid here next ? [I should have included one like this in the homework }

1D-----1H

2D----- ?

A932

KQ765

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Q54

- 5) Ahwell don’t despair if you get this wrong as there is a lesson coming on this very matter. You of course *don’t* overruff the Q sp with the Ace sp.
Think out why or wait for the lesson.
- 6) This one you ought to get right and anyway there was just this hand in the practise hands last week. (Honourable mention to Midge and Jenny the ONLY two players all week who got it right.) After the 1st three hearts you lead a 4th which you hope partner will ruff high ; if partner can ruff with the Q or K spades you beat the contract with the “uppercut” as your J sp becomes promoted. Roger by the way was the fall guy the only declarer to go down.
- 7)(i) My learned friend Graham (Ive started naming names so I might as well carry on) tells me that you only lead the J if you have the 10. So here he WOULDN’T lead the J. And he would be right. The correct play is to lead the 6 to the Q (which wins) and then play the Ace. The reason why leading the J wont work is a defender will cover an Hon with an Hon ie play the K on the J

(ii) same old same old. Lead the 3 to the J. If it wins... lead the Ace and the K may drop
- 8)(i) spades. And you have 9 tricks soonish and no finesses needed in any suit

(ii) You play on spades again. (you can take a finesse in spades and even if it loses you have 9 tricks). “ Oh I thought you always play on the long suit , I must learn to think” Well , if you’ve tried everything else give it a go ...

4A extra question – you must bid 2NT now and NOT 2Sp.