

## homework answers Thurs 9oct

- 1) Top tricks = 6 NB AKQ2---10765 is counted as 4 x top tricks  
The 3 extras will come from the topless heart suit.  
First w.w.w. in spades ie only release the Ace sp at the very last moment.  
Then play hearts and keep playing them.  
Run for home as soon as the Ace hearts has been dislodged.  
Anyone who takes the club finesse is ...oh we have that joke already but you need help anyway.
- 2) Top tricks = 9 well theres a thing.  
No need to w.w.w. and if you did you might go off when the opponents switch to hearts.  
make the most of your good fortune and run like hell.
- 3) Top tricks =6  
The suit to establish is diamonds. And we will need an entry to the hearts.  
Win the spade in declarers hand (ESSENTIAL).  
play a diamond to the Q ( wins ) -play Ace hearts , and then a small heart.  
You now have 9
- 4) As long as you win spades in dummy and preserve your entry you will be fine.  
Play on hearts of course.
- 5) there are 4 losers -we need to trump a heart in dummy -best to do it while there are still trumps in dummy ! Dont draw trumps until you have ruffed the heart
- 6) 4 losers -easy enough to reduce that to 3 losers by trumping a diamond in dummy -BUT draw trumps first
- 7) 4 losers and a losing heart can be discarded on a diamond.  
No reason not to draw trumps first.  
This is the play :  
1) Ace hearts 2) A sp 3) Q sp 4) J sp 5) A d 6) Kd ) 7)Q D throwing a heart  
8) small heart loses BUT creates a void in hearts in dummy  
in due course ruff your last heart in dummy
- 8) Similar to last one BUT you must take the discards BEFORE drawing trumps.  
Check it out if unsure.  
This works.  
1) Ace hearts 2) A d 3) Kd ) 4)Q D throwing a heart  
Now draw trumps  
in due course ruff your last heart in dummy

9) 3Sp strong takeout

10) 2Sp weak takeout

11) 3C stayman

12) 2C stayman

13) 2C *weak* stayman

14) 1H-----1NT  
2H

15) 1D-----1S  
2D

16) 1H-----1NT  
2S-----3NT coz p has reversed showing 17

17)

Trick 1) we led Ace hrts and p played the 8 hrts as a high encouraging card

Trick 2) we lead King hrts and p will play a low hrt ( which will confirm they had a doubleton)

Trick 3) we lead another heart *although* dummy is out  
( in the hopes that partner can overruff dummy).

"Is that likely?" the usual suspects bray. Well if partner has as little as J32 spades they will automatically get a trick in due course if we led another heart. Its called a trump promotion by the way.