

## Homework answers Thurs 16 April

1) N        E        S        W  
   1H      2C      P        P

Ok ? West passes *even* with 9 pts *even* with KQJx spades;  
Maybe if you were feeling pushy you would raise to 3C but you shouldn't really

2) N        E        S        W  
   1H      1S      2H      2Sp

3) N        E        S        W  
   1H      1S      P        P

The difference between this hand and the one in number 2 is that you cant support partner with only two spades-so you pass

4) N        E        S        W  
   1D      1H      P        3NT

Obviously we are going to bid something BUT don't change the suit ( and bid 1Sp for instance – which is a weak bid ) –bid the obvious game, 3NT.

[ What about 2Sp some bright spark will ask –and yes that could work –I have to say I have NEVER EVER heard such a sequence in my bridge life tho ]

5) N        E        S        W  
   1H      1S      3H      P

If you cant support partner and you cant bid NTs then (pretty much ) you pass

6) N        E        S        W  
   1H      2D      P        2S

And this is what a change of suit at the lowest level looks like –it is a rescue –it says I HATE your suit –I am not strong but its gotta be better in my suit

7) stayman showing 4 spades and 11/12 pts

8) stayman showing 13------(about) 18 pts and at least one 4 card maj

9) strong takeout showing 13+

10) STRONG TAKE OUT 13+

11) jump shift showing 16+

12) jump shift showing 16+

12) A) 3Sp S.T.O    b) 2C Stayman    c)3nt not 3d

13) A diamond . NB you want declarer to ruff. This is good for the defence. It even has a name. The Forcing defence. You want to force declarer to trump

14) Vs 6NT –lead safe -top of not much 8 cl

Vs 6Sp –lead anything ! but be inclined to be aggressive – 5 Hrts or 7 diamonds best or 8Clubs probably second best

