

d) Ruffing high when you suspect the defenders will also be ruffing.

(declarer)	(dummy)
J1098	KQ63
AQ32	KJ7
954	QJ
AK	8743

Ace Diamonds lead. Contract 4Sp. The Ace diamonds is led and followed by the King diamonds. Meanwhile the leader's partner has played the 10 followed by the 2. Not much doubt that that player is now void in diamonds. If a third diamond is led declarer mustn't be mean with the trump they use to ruff with.... they will need to trump the diamond with the Q sp to ensure they are not overruffed cheaply. Ten tricks should come in.

e) Repeat finesses -

(declarer)	(dummy)
A942	873
AK93	1087
54	AQJ2
AKQ	873

2 Clubs lead. Contract 3NT. With 7 top tricks declarer will probably consider the Diamond suit as a source of extra tricks. They will take a first finesse { the 4 to the J }, and when that wins they should take steps to repeat the finesse. They can return to hand and then lead the 5 to the Q Diamonds.

f) Throw in play -

(declarer)	(dummy)	
AKJ109	87654	This one was very much a novelty hand
AKJ	987	- and I do know you may have to wait some
A	4	time before you ever get 30 pts in one hand again.
AKQJ	9873	You may have reached the slam by bidding :
		2C-----2D (1st negative)
		2S-----2NT (2nd negative)
		3C-----4S
		6S.

K Diamonds lead. 6Sp contract. You play the Ace + K spades expecting the trumps to break and (bad luck) it turns out the spades were 3-0 and your left hand defender still holds the Q spades. If you could get to the dummy you could lead a Heart for a finesse in that suit. Unfortunately the dummy is entryless. In such situations you can sometimes enlist the help of defenders , in effect getting them to lead the suit you wanted to lead from dummy. Called a *Throw in* , you give the opponent a trick and then sit back to see what they will lead. Here you should play as follows - after 2 rounds of spades play all the clubs { called *eliminating the side suit* }; then you lead a spade and the opponent who has the Q sp will lead either a Heart { Hooray } or lead a diamond {Hooray Hooray} and give you a ruff and discard. Yes ,expert stuff but the sort of thing you might like to try sometime ?