

Homework Answers -practise hands

1) 3D was wrong

correct auction below

1NT-----3NT

It is wrong to jump
to 3D with such an
average hand.

3D actually is a *slam try*.

2) 3S was wrong

correct auction below

1S-----2D

2H-----2NT

3H ----- 4 S

Opener should rebid the second suit
to show length in both suits

3) 3NT was wrong

correct auction below

1S-----2H

2NT-----3S

3NT

Responder should have
bid 3Sp as a checkback.

4) 2H was wrong

correct auction below

1C-----1S

2C-----Pass

Opener must not reverse into 2H with such
a modest hand

5) 7NT was wrong

correct auction below

1NT -----5NT

7NT

Responder is not strong
enough to bid the grand slam.
They should ask opener how
strong they are.

6) 2C was wrong

correct auction below

1NT-----3S

4Sp

Responder should bid a strong takeout with
a five card suit.

NB a transfer auction would be:

1NT-----2H

2S-----3NT

4Sp.

7) 1Sp was wrong

correct auction below

2Sp-----2NT

3Sp-----4Sp.

Opener is too strong to
open at the 1 level.

An Acol2 showing 8 playing
tricks is about right

8) 2C was wrong

correct auction below

1H-----3C

3D-----4H

4NT-----5D

6H.

Responder should bid a jump shift {16+}
rather than D.G.R {13-15 }.

9) Declarer is about to go down (and played badly). They have made the error of drawing too many trumps before they have established the Diamonds.

If at trick 5 the K diamonds had been played the contract would make.

In general -if you have a problem in trumps ie they dont break AND you have a problem in other suits { you have to lose the lead at some point} it is a mistake to come down to a single trump . You often have to suspend drawing trumps until you have dealt with the "other" problem in the side suit.

10) Well yes unlucky but little sympathy should be extended to the declarer as they had a much simpler line available ie at trick 2 the K diamonds should have been led.

In general -attempting to establish a side suit is preferable to trumping in the dummy.

11) Win Ace Hrts.

Play K diamonds and overtake with Ace in dummy.

Play Q diamonds discarding a Hrt

Play J diamonds discarding a HRt

Draw trumps.

Easy game , bridge.

12) i) on a diamond lead you should try the J.

Why ? well it is quite likely that partner has led from the Q so , our J will win the trick.

If it turns out partner led from the 10 (and so declarer can win at trick 1 with the Q) we still have our Ace poised over the K.

In a nutshell -we can possibly prevent the declarer making any tricks by playing the Jack OR , if declarer cannot be prevented making a trick we can stop declarer making two tricks in the suit.

ii) on a club lead you should play the 10.

There are three situations to take care of :

partner led the 2 from : AJxx or from Jxxx or from Axxx

By playing the 10 you either prevent declarer making any tricks or you restrict the number of tricks they can make to 1.