

## Homework answers -counting losers/appraising chances

1) 3 losers

2) 3 losers

3) 4 losers

4) 5 losers

5) 5 losers

6) 3 losers

7) i) win Ace Hrts

ii) small spade to Q

ie just draw trumps -there will be *no* troubles ahead

8) i)win Ace Hrts

ii) play Ace D

iii)play K D { throwing a club or Hrt }

iv)play Q D (throwing a club or Hrt )

ie attend to the losers before drawing trumps and losing the lead

9)i)Ace Hrts

ii) play a trump

ie draw trumps -no probs

10)

a) to make 10 tricks AND THIS IS HOW YOU SHOULD PLAY IN RUBBER BRIDGE ie play safely/make contract/take no chances

i)win Ace Hrts

ii)play a trump

ie draw trumps

b) to try and make 11 tricks AND THIS IS HOW YOU SHOULD PLAY IN DUPLICATE WHERE OVERTRICKS SCORE VERY HIGHLY

i)Ace Hrts

ii) Ace D

iii)Q Di *overtaking* with the K di in dummy

iv)J D throwing a Hrt

11)declarers line is going to result in 1 off

NB declarer starts with 4 losers and will end with 4 losers unless some of the losers are disposed of.

A better line would be :-win Ace D ; play A + K + Q hrts throwing a diamond.

12) partner should bid 3C stayman

13) partner should bid 2NT (15+) and not 3Hrt which shows 6 Hrts

14) partner should have started with 1Sp and the bid and rebid Hrts to show 5-5

15) partner's 2C was wrong ; that bid was 4th suit forcing { and essentially denied clubs}; instead of 2C partner should have bid 3NT.

You would have thought she might have had a lesson on this sometime...

16) partner's double of a conventional bid of 2C stayman asks for a club lead  
ie partner holds good clubs

17) well .....partner didn't double 2C ; and dummy has 4 Hrts and declarer has 4 sp ; so maybe partner has diamonds. Contentious but ...

18)

i) 2Sp fine

ii) PASS

iii) pass or double maybe

iv) pass or double if we feel lucky ie 16 is usually thought to be the minimum number of points needed to double 1NT but 15 is close to 16 after all..

v) Pass