

Homework -tricky tricks

The contracts are 4sp and the lead is the Q Diamonds.

No doubt you will draw trumps at some point {!} but can you say straight away if the lead was helpful to you?

If your answer to that was "yes" can you say how you will be taking advantage of the lead?

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| 1) (declarer) | (dummy) | 2) (declarer) | (dummy) |
| AKxx | Qxxx | AKxx | Qxxx |
| AQx | xxx | AQx | xxx |
| Axx | K10x | xxx | AK10 |
| Axx | xxx | Axx | xxx |

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| 3) (declarer) | (dummy) | 4) (declarer) | (dummy) |
| AKxx | Qxxx | AKxx | Qxxx |
| AQx | xxx | AQx | xxx |
| Kxx | A10x | A10x | Kxx |
| Axx | xxx | Axx | xxx |

In 3NT the opponents lead the K diamonds. Can you use the lead to your advantage ?
If the answer to that is "yes" , how will you do that?

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| 5) (declarer) | (dummy) | 6) (declarer) | (dummy) |
| AKx | Qxx | QJx | AKxx |
| Qxxx | Jxx | AQxx | xxx |
| Axx | Jxx | xxx | AJx |
| AKQ | Jxxx | Axx | Kxx |

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| 7) (declarer) | (dummy) | 8) (declarer) | (dummy) |
| AKx | QJxx | Axx | Kxxx |
| AQxx | xxx | AQx | xxxx |
| Axx | Jx | Jxx | Ax |
| Axx | KJxx | AKQJ | xxx |

Perhaps nothing is certain here but do you feel that the lead of a low diamond against 4Sp helps you in that suit ? What is it that you can reasonably hope will happen on this lead ?

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| 9) (declarer) | (dummy) | 10) (declarer) | (dummy) |
| AKQx | Jxxx | AQxx | Kxxx |
| KQx | Jxx | AKx | xxx |
| Axx | K10x | Kxx | A10x |
| xxx | Axx | xxx | Axx |