

NSWBA Pre-Session Warm-Up Quiz with Ron Klinger, June 20, 2016

1. Dealer North : Both vulnerable

NORTH
AQJ
K3
A95
A10862

South
1054
AQJ10962

953

West	North	East	South
---	1C	1D	4H
5D	6H	All pass	

West leads the D6. Plan the play.

2. Dealer West : East-West vulnerable

NORTH
Q5
Q72
Q10763
864

WEST
KJ
AJ63
AJ2
AQ95

West	North	East	South
2NT	Pass	3D (1)	3S
4H	4S	Dble	All pass

(1) Transfer to hearts

West leads the HA. West continues with the HJ, queen, king, ruffed. South plays the S6: king – five – ten. West returns a heart. South ruffs and plays the S7: jack – queen – four, followed by the D3: four – king – ace. East-West play reverse count. What should West do now?

3. Dealer South : Both vulnerable

NORTH
AJ965
A986
4
AJ10

South
2
J432
A652
K932

West	North	East	South
---	---	---	Pass
1S	Pass	1NT	Pass
2D	Dble	Pass	3H
Pass	4H	Dble	All pass

West leads the DK. South wins and ruffs a diamond, followed by SA and a spade ruff, East playing S8, S10. South ruffs another diamond. East has shown an odd number of diamonds. How should South continue?

4. Dealer North : North-South vulnerable

NORTH
A1074
1085
KQ103
J3

WEST
Q952
AK943

A1092

West	North	East	South
---	Pass	Pass	1D
1H	Dble*	2D**	2S
4H	4S	Dble	All pass
*4 spades		**Good heart raise	

West leads the HA: five – two – seven. E-W play reverse attitude. How would you do next as West?

5. Dealer West : East-West vulnerable

North
963
KJ5
53
KJ1076

South
K104
A87432
Q107
8

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	1C	1H
Pass	2H	Dble	3H
Dble	Pass	Pass	Pass

West leads the H6: five – ten – ace.
What would you do next as South?

6. Dealer South : Both vulnerable

NORTH
1052
9
J1098632
97

WEST
J8
Q872
AQ4
QJ83

West	North	East	South
---	---	---	1H
Pass	Pass	1S	4C
Dble*	Pass	Pass	Pass

*Penalties

West leads SJ: two – nine – seven.
What should West play next?

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1. Dealer North : Both vulnerable

	NORTH	
	AQJ	
	K3	
	A95	
	A10862	
WEST		EAST
962		K873
854		7
K10864		QJ732
KJ		Q74
	South	
	1054	
	AQJ10962	

	953	

South is in 6H. West leads the D6. Play the D9 and pitch a club. Win CA, pitch a club on DA, ruff a club, HA, HK, ruff a club, HQ, SA, pitch 2 spades on the CA. If you play D5 on D6, East plays D2, Rule of 11 and W switches to a spade if you discard a club.

2. Dealer West : East-West vulnerable

	NORTH	
	Q5	
	Q72	
	Q10763	
	864	
WEST		EAST
KJ		1043
AJ63		K10954
AJ2		84
AQ95		J103
	SOUTH	
	A98762	
	8	
	K95	
	K72	

South is in 4S doubled. E-W need +800 to compensate for the 4H they would have made.

West leads the HA. West continues with the HJ, queen, king, ruffed. South plays the S6: king – five – ten. West returns a heart. South ruffs and plays the S7: jack – queen – four, followed by the D3: four – king – ace. E-W play reverse count.

W. should play the DJ and stick declarer in dummy. Now E scores a diamond ruff and switches to CJ for four down.

3. Dealer South : Both vulnerable

	NORTH	
	AJ965	
	A986	
	4	
	AJ10	
WEST		EAST
KQ743		108
---		KQ1075
KQJ98		1073
Q76		854
	South	
	2	
	J432	
	A652	
	K932	

S is in 4H doubled. After DK, ace, South wins and ruffs a diamond, followed by SA and a spade ruff, East playing S8, S10. South ruffs another diamond. East has shown an odd number of diamonds. How should South continue?

On S played CA, CJ to CQ. W played DK and South was one off. Another S played a third spade from dummy. If E pitches a club, then S ruff and CA, CK, D ruff with HA and spade. If E ruffs high he has no good exit. E ruffed with H5, then HJ from South, HA and heart exit. E had 3 Hs, but was endplayed in clubs.

4. Dealer North : North-South vulnerable

	NORTH	
	A1074	
	1085	
	KQ103	
	J3	
WEST		EAST
Q952		6
AK943		Q62
---		8752
A1092		KQ754
	SOUTH	
	KJ83	
	J7	
	AJ964	
	86	

West	North	East	South
---	Pass	Pass	1D
1H	Dble*	2D**	2S
4H	4S	Dble	All pass
*4 spades		**Good heart raise	

West leads the HA: five – two – seven. E-W play reverse attitude. How would you do next as West?

W can play HK, CA, C9, diamond ruff = E-W +500. A third heart would allow S to make 4H.

Better is HK, C9 to CQ, D ruff, C10 to CK, D ruff for +800.

Best is H9 at T2. E wins HQ, D2 ruffed, C9, CQ; D ruff, C10, CK, D ruff, +1100.

5. Dealer West : East-West vulnerable

	North	
	963	
	KJ5	
	53	
	KJ1076	
WEST		EAST
752		AQJ8
96		Q10
K962		AJ84
Q952		A43
	South	
	K104	
	A87432	
	Q107	
	8	

S is in 3H doubled on the H6 lead: 5-10-A.

W would have done better to lead a spade for 1 or 2 off.

Best for S is a club at T2. Finesse the CJ. If W had the CA, probably would have played it. Later cross to the HK (W would not lead H6 from Q-9-6), pitch a spade on the CK and lose 1 spade, 2 diamonds and a club.

6. Dealer South : Both vulnerable

	NORTH	
	1052	
	9	
	J1098632	
	97	
WEST		EAST
J8		KQ9643
Q872		105
AQ4		K75
QJ83		52

	SOUTH	
	A7	
	AKJ643	

	AK1064	

West	North	East	South
---	---	---	1H
Pass	Pass	1S	4C
Dble*	Pass	Pass	Pass

*Penalties

West leads SJ: two – nine – seven. Next?

E will not have SA-K. E would have won T 1. If E had SA-Q, South would have won T1. If E had SA-K-Q, E would overtake at T1. Thus, South has the SA and East K-Q.

Best is to play S8 at T2. South can win and play HA, H ruff, D ruff, H ruff. The Hs are set up, but after ruffing from dummy, S loses trump control. S has HJ-6, CA-K-10 and E-W can hold S to just the top trumps.

The CQ at T2 works on the actual layout, but would let 4C make if S had HA-K-J-10-x-x and the same in the other suits.

At the table, W switched to the DA at T2. Fatal. S ruffed, played HA, H ruff, D ruff, H ruff, D ruff, CA, CK, SA, HK and had ten tricks for +710.