

## Bridge Quiz 3

### Trick One Play at No Trump

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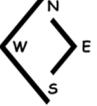
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1.     ♠J5           North  
      ♠Q76           South
  
2.     ♠K6  
      ♠Q87
  
3.     ♠K6  
      ♠Q102
  
4.     ♠A2  
      ♠10987
  
5.     ♠AJ5  
      ♠K76
  
6.     ♠Q87  
      ♠52
  
7.     ♠A32  
      ♠65
  
8.     ♠J3  
      ♠K76
  
- 9     ♠J3  
      ♠A106
  
- 10    ♠J3  
      ♠AK92

11. North leads 7♠ against 3NT. Plan the play. (2A-14)

♠AK2	♠543
♥Q32	♥AK4
♦A32	♦KQ4
♣QJ109	♣5432



12. North leads 5♠ at 3NT and South plays the 7. What do you play? (2A-5)

♠A32	♠QJ10
♥A876	♥54
♦A876	♦42
♣AQ	♣KJ7432



13. North leads the ♠5 versus 3NT and South plays the 10. How do you play? (1A-12)

♠AJ	♠K43
♥AKQJ	♥432
♦7654	♦J109
♣AK7	♣6542



14. North leads 4♠ against 1NT, and South plays ♠8, how do you play the hand?

♠A762	♠53
♥AQ2	♥K54
♦A32	♦QJ1098
♣K42	♣765



15. North leads 6♠ against 3NT. Plan the play. (4B-23)

♠AK52	♠43
♥KQJ	♥A2
♦AQJ2	♦43
♣J2	♣Q1076543



## Bridge Quiz 3 Answers

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1.     ♠J5                   North           The five and you are guaranteed one spade stopper.  
      ♠Q76                   South           They may give you your spade right away to preserve defensive communication.
  
2.     ♠K6                   The King. A singleton king will lose to the ace in either  
      ♠Q87                   defenders' hand.
  
3.     ♠K6                   The six and you are guaranteed two stoppers.  
      ♠Q102
  
4.     ♠A2                   The ace. If West has led a spot card from a five card suit  
      ♠10987                then East will have a doubleton honour and the suit  
                              Becomes blocked.
  
5.     ♠AJ5                   There are seven cards higher than the 4 in N, E and S.  
      ♠K76                   Therefore east has one. Play low and see what it is.
  
6.     ♠Q87                   The Queen. You hope West led from AK otherwise if you  
      ♠52                    duck, East should put in the 9 or ten.
  
7.     ♠A32                   Duck twice to break defensive communication.  
      ♠65
  
8.     ♠J3                   The Jack. Do not leave an honour hanging (singleton). If the Jack  
      ♠K76                   wins, lose the lead in any other suit to West to protect the  
                              King.
  
9.     ♠J3                   The three and win any honour played by East with the ace and 10-J  
      ♠A106                   becomes another trick.
  
10.    ♠J3                   The three to guarantee three not two cards in the suit.  
      ♠AK92
  
11.    North leads 7♠ against 3NT. Plan the play. (2A-14)

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Duck once because you need either three stoppers or two stoppers and a hold-up to set up a suit missing the Ace King assuming the opponents do not make a fatal error by switching the attack suit. The defense usually can only successfully attack one suit.

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Win the Ace♠ and cash AQ♣ and lead small to the QJ♠ which will be an entry to the good clubs.

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Win the Ace♠ because you need the K♠ as an entry to the thirteenth club. Your only chance for a ninth trick is if the clubs break 3-3. Diamonds will never get set up against any defense before opponents cash setting tricks.

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Win the ace. A club switch from South could be deadly. North led his lowest spade so he only has four and spades cannot hurt you.

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♠AK52	♠43
♥KQJ	♥A2
♦AQJ2	♦43
♣J2	♣Q1076543

Win Ace and play J♣. Win the return of a heart in West's hand because the defense will attack dummy's entry to all those clubs. Lead out the 2 of clubs and the ace of hearts will allow you to play the good clubs.