

# Declarer Play – what the auction tells you

**COUNT** your winners/losers – see what your problems are



--- But the Hearts split 4-2

**PLAN** What you have to do to make your contract



--- I guess I shouldn't have finessed

**PLAN** the Sequence of your actions



--- I should have knocked out the Ace first

**PLAN** your Entries – to the board and to your hand



--- I had the two tricks but I couldn't get to them

## Hand One

Dir: North  
Vul: None

♠ 8 6 5  
♥ K Q  
♦ A 6 3  
♣ K J 10 7 2

♠ A J 4 3  
♥ A J 7  
♦ K 10 9  
♣ 9 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1♣	1♠	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♠Q

### Count

Plan What you're going to do

Plan the Sequence

Plan the Entries

(Eddie Kantar – Atlanta Daily Bulletin 8/7/13)

## Hand Two

Dir: West  
Vul: None

♠ A J 7  
♥ J 8 2  
♦ K 8 6 3  
♣ K 5 4

♠ K 10 9 8 4  
♥ 10 6 4  
♦ Q J 4 2  
♣ A

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1NT	Pass	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

Opening lead: ♥A.

### Count

Plan What you're going to do

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Plan the Entries

(Eddie Kantar – San Francisco Daily Bulletin 11/25/12)

## Hand Three

Dir: West  
Vul: Both

♠ 6 5  
♥ J 10 6  
♦ K 9 6 5  
♣ J 10 4 2

♠ K 9 2  
♥ A Q 8  
♦ A 10 3 2  
♣ A K Q

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2♠	Pass	Pass	Dbf
Pass	3♣	Pass	3NT
All Pass			
Opening lead: ♠Q			

### Count

Plan What you're going to do

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(Eddie Kantar – Seattle Daily Bulletin 12/4/11)

## Complete Hands

#1

♠ 8 6 5  
♥ K Q  
♦ A 6 3  
♣ K J 10 7 2

♠ Q  
♥ 10 5 4 3 2  
♦ Q 7 5 4  
♣ 6 5 3

♠ K 10 9 7 2  
♥ 9 8 6  
♦ J 8 2  
♣ A Q

♠ A J 4 3  
♥ A J 7  
♦ K 10 9  
♣ 9 8 4

#2

♠ A J 7  
♥ J 8 2  
♦ K 8 6 3  
♣ K 5 4

♠ 6 5 2  
♥ A K Q 3  
♦ A 7  
♣ Q J 9 8

♠ Q 3  
♥ 9 7 5  
♦ 10 9 5  
♣ 10 7 6 3 2

♠ K 10 9 8 4  
♥ 10 6 4  
♦ Q J 4 2  
♣ A

#3

♠ 6 5  
♥ J 10 6  
♦ K 9 6 5  
♣ J 10 4 2

♠ Q J 10 8 7 4  
♥ K 5 4  
♦ 4  
♣ 8 5 3

♠ A 3  
♥ 9 7 3 2  
♦ Q J 8 7  
♣ 9 7 6

♠ K 9 2  
♥ A Q 8  
♦ A 10 3 2  
♣ A K Q