



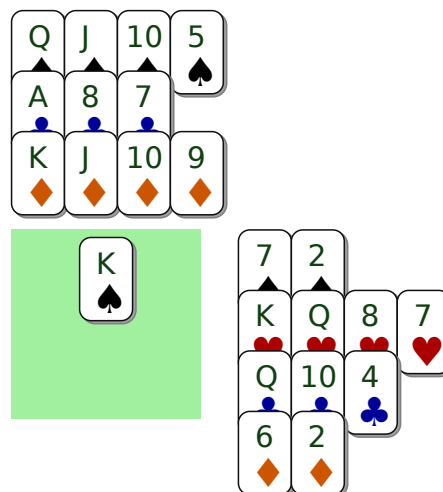
Smith Signal by the partner of the lead card

Smith Echo/Smith Signal by partner of lead card player (East in this case)

Smith Signals are attitude signals given at the very first available opportunity by partner of the lead card player against a NT contract - generally not a suit contract - and indicates preference for the lead suit. This mainly happens when the lead card player has played the strongest of 3 low cards.

- If East is interested in the lead suit, he plays a high useless card. Partner now knows what he should play next time he is in hand.
- It's the complete opposite if East plays a low useless card he isn't interested in the lead suit.

S	W	N	E
		1 ♠	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass



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Your P who is West leads with 9 ♥, the strongest of his 3 low cards. Declarer takes the trick at Dummy (ace) and then plays K ♠. By playing the 7 ♠ "a high card" you are indicating that you are interested in his ♥ lead.