



## How to handle a long suit facing a void

### How to handle a long suit when the partner has a void...

1) When you hold a long suit with intermediate cards, try to capture one of the opponents' honors...figuring out where it could be in best position...

Example : You are playing a ♠ contract. You hold 8 ♠ cards : KQ10... You can't afford to lose more than one ♠ trick.

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Exercise 4668. When you want to lose the Ace and only the Ace, your only chance is to find the J singleton or doubleton. Play K ♠, then Q ♠.

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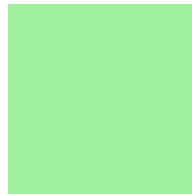


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2) But, when you don't have intermediate cards, do your best in order to avoid having your "small" honor captured by the opponent. Take a chance... sometimes it's worth it !

Example You are playing a ♥ contract. You have 6 ♥ cards, AceKJ...dummy has none ! You can't afford to lose more than one ♥ trick.



Exercise 4670 Planning to lose only one ♥ trick, you are betting on a Q 3rd (opponents' distribution : 4-3). Play Ace, K then a low ♥... that's your only chance to lose one trick (Q)