

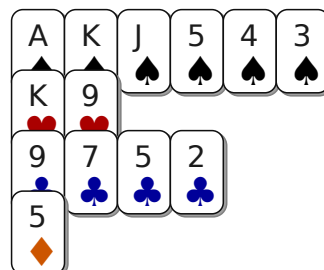
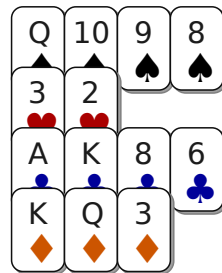


On lead in a trump contract

Blackmail on your dangerous opponent on the first tric

You are the declarer of a trump contract. You have a singleton in your hand and have honors at the dummy.
Example

You are in South and are playing 4 ♠. The 'dangerous opponent' leads Jack ♦ ; Which card will you play from the dummy ?



Problem 4993 If you play King ♦ without thinking, East takes it with the Ace and counter attacks with the Queen ♥. You lose the first 3 tricks and must still concede a ♣. Contract down! Play the 3 ♦ ; If East takes it with the Ace it sets your King and Queen ♦ and enables you to discards 2 small ♣. If East does not take it, your King ♥ is protected : You'll ruff your King ♦ ♦ and the Queen, established will enable you to discard a losing ♥. You'll concede the Jack ♦ , the Ace ♥ and a ♣



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