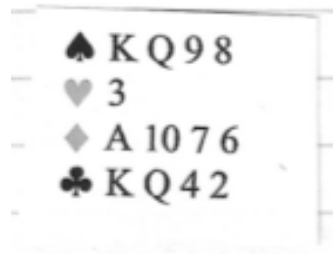


Lesson 8: Takeout Double

What to do with this hand after 1♥ by opponent:



Penalty X of 1 Bid = Rare, Hard to Set

So, X of Low Level Bid is for Takeout:

12+ pts. (Count Dummy Points)
3+ Cards in All Unbid Suits
No 5+ Card Major, No 6+ Card Minor

Advancer (Must Bid unless Have Long Trumps):

0 - 8: Bid 4+ Card Suit or 1NT (Stopper)
9 - 11: Jump Bid 4+ Card Suit or 2NT (Stopper)
12+: Cuebid or 3NT (Stopper) or Game Bid

Takeout Doubler's Rebids:

12 - 14: Pass
15 - 17: Raise Bid or NT
18 - 20: Raise to Game

Over Cuebid, GO SLOW, Bid Shape

Hand #22 (8-2):

East(D)

Bidding: 1♥-X-P-2♥-P-2♠-P-3♠-P-4♠-P-P-P

Dealer:	♠ K Q J 6 5		
East	♥ J 4 3		
	♦ K Q 6		
	♣ 5 3		
♠ 9 8 2		♠ 4	
♥ 9 6 5 2		♥ A K Q 10 8	
♦ 10 9		♦ J 8 4 2	
♣ A 9 7 6		♣ Q J 10	
		♠ A 10 7 3	
		♥ 7	
		♦ A 7 5 3	
		♣ K 8 4 2	

Lead: ♥6

Count Losers, Pull
Trumps, Finesse,
Discard on ♣A after
Ruff

Hand #23 (8-3):

South(D)

Bidding: 1♦-X-P-2♥-P-4♥-P-P-P

Dealer:	♠ Q 8 6		
South	♥ 7 4		
	♦ 9 8 4 2		
	♣ 7 6 5 3		
♠ A J 10 2		♠ 7 5 3	
♥ J 9 8 3		♥ K Q 10 6 2	
♦ A 6		♦ 5 3	
♣ A 8 4		♣ K Q 2	
		♠ K 9 4	
		♥ A 5	
		♦ K Q J 10 7	
		♣ J 10 9	

Lead: ♦K

Count Losers, Repeat Finesse

Hand #24 (8-4):

West(D)

Bidding: 1♥-X-P-1♠-P-4♠-P-P-P

Dealer:	♠ K Q 3 2						
West	♥ 9 5						
	♦ K J 6						
	♣ A K Q J						
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	♥ J 4						
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	♣ 8 7 4 2						

Lead: ♥A

Count Losers, Finesse Twice in ♠'s