Beginners’ Lesson 1: Introduction

Board 1
North Deals
None Vul
♠ 3 2
♥ K Q 9 4
♦ K Q 8 6
♣ 8 7 6
North decides to open a part-score in spades.
NS have a spade fit with less than 25 HCP which is not enough for game.
Should make 9 tricks.
Lead: ♣ Q

Board 2
East Deals
N-S Vul
♠ 3
♥ 9 8 7
♦ J 8 7 5 2
♣ Q J 10
East decides to open a part-score in hearts.
EW has at 8 cards in hearts between the two hands, which is a fit, but not enough for game.
Should make 9 tricks.
Lead: ♠ 5

Board 3
South Deals
E-W Vul
♠ K 8 2
♥ K 10 5 4
♦ 6 4
♣ A 6 2
West decides the contract in a part score of diamonds.
Should make 9 tricks.
Lead: ♥ K

Board 4
West Deals
Both Vul
♠ J 9 5
♥ 10 6 5
♦ A 8 7 4
♣ Q 10 9
South decides the contract in NT as there is no 8-card fit in a suit.
There are 26 HCP between the 2 hands which is enough for game - 3 NT.
Should make 9 or 10 tricks.
Lead: ♦ 4

Board 5
North Deals
N-S Vul
♠ A K Q 9 6 2
♥ A 8 3
♦ J 5
♣ 4 2
West declares a part-score in spades as they have less than 25 HCP.
Should make 9 tricks.
Lead: ♥ J

Board 6
East Deals
E-W Vul
♠ Q 10 7 2
♥ 9 6 5 4 3 2
♦ 6 2
♣ K 5 3
♥ 9 6 2
♦ 10 8
♣ K 9 3
North decides game in hearts.
They have a heart fit and 26 HCP between the two hands.
Should make 12 tricks.
Lead: ♦ K

Board 7
South Deals
Both Vul
♠ Q 10 9 4
♥ Q 10 9 7 2
♦ K 5 2
♣ A 6 5 3
♥ 3
♦ A Q J 3
South declares a part-score in hearts as they do not have enough HCP for game.
Should make 9 or 10 tricks.
Lead: ♦ Q

Board 8
West Deals
None Vul
♠ Q J 5
♥ A 8 2
♦ Q J 9 2
♣ 10 9 7
East declares a part-score in NT.
Should make 8 tricks.
Lead: ♠ 2