Leads Quiz

NG34Bridge

Lead vs. a Suit

What would you lead vs. an unopposed auction 1♥-4♥ with these?



Lead vs. No Trumps

What would you lead v an unopposed auction 1NT-3NT with these?

(i)	(ii)	(iii)	(iv)
★ KJ962▼ 42◆ J92♣ A32	 ★ KQ1053 ▼ 762 ◆ Q94 ♣ 62 	♦ 87432♥ 962♦ A64♣ A3	AK632✓ J43✓ 42♣ 865

Leading Partner's Suit

Exercise: Partner has bid spades. You are leading to (say) 4♥. Which spade should you lead from these holdings?

- (i) **★**K72
- (ii) **♦**K5
- (iii) **♦**92
- (iv) **♦**972
- (i) Lead ♠2, leading low for like. You tell partner you like spades, and still retain ♠K.
- (ii) Lead $\bigstar K$. When leading from two cards, always lead the top. There may be ambiguity as to whether you hold $\bigstar Kx$ or $\bigstar KQx$. However, partner may see $\bigstar Q$ in her hand (or dummy), in which case she knows you have $\bigstar Kx$ (or a singleton $\bigstar K$); or you may have spurned the chance to support her spades (you would have supported with $\bigstar KQx$, but not with $\bigstar Kx$).
- (iii) Lead $\clubsuit 9$ top of two.
- (iv) Lead ♠7 and follow with ♠9, so that partner knows you have a third card. (Don't lead the ♠3 with ♠932 though, or partner will think you have an honour lead the ♠9)