Opening Leader

What to think about:

- Distribution of suits and high cards
- The auction
- Scoring method
- Type of contract
- Dummy's potential for tricks

Active

- Two-suited
- Favorable breaks
- Vigorous bidding
- Long suits
- Double fit

Passive

- Dummy and declarer are balanced
- Weak dummy
- Evidence of misfit
- Defending slam

Forcing

- You or partner have length in trumps
- Dummy's long suit is blocked
- Defending 4/3 fit
- Dummy has shortness in a suit

Third Chair

What to think about:

- Distribution of suits and high cards
- The auction
- Type of defense suggested by lead
- Number of declarer's tricks
- Number of defender tricks
- What our score might have been

Notrump Inferences

- Deny sequence
- Deny AKQJxx
- What lead did auction call for?
- Fourth best?
- Shortness? Tenace?

Suit Inferences

- Deny sequence
- Deny AKxx
- What lead did auction call for?
- If shortness, could have trump honor

1NT - 3NT
Your hand: ♠QJ109 ♥K84 ♦A73 ♣652

1♠ - 2♣ - 2NT - 3NT
Your hand: ♥AKJ10 ♠32 ♦Q754 ♣963

1♥ - 1♠ - 2♥ - 4♥
Your hand: ♠AKJ10 ♥43 ♦A976 ♣K42
1♦ - 1♥ - 1NT - 3NT
Your hand: ♠K1032 ♥J84 ♦K73 ♣965
1♣ - 1♠ - 2♣ - 3NT
Your hand: ♥QJ109 ♠43 ♦A852 ♣K76
1♥ - 2♥ - 4♥
Your hand: ♠A8632 ♥5 ♦KQ94 ♣J82
1♠ - 2♣ - 2♠ - 4♠
Your hand: ♥KQJ10 ♠3 ♦A854 ♣Q1032
1♦ - 1♠ - 2♦ - 2♠ - 3♦ - 4♠
Your hand: ♣AKJ10 ♠54 ♥Q73 ♦9862
1NT - 2♣ - 2♥ - 4♥
Your hand: ♠KQ1032 ♥3 ♦J854 ♣A76
1♣ - 1♥ - 2♣ - 3NT
Your hand: ♠AJ1032 ♥K4 ♦Q73 ♣954
1♦ - 2♦ - 3NT
Your hand: ♠KQ103 ♥A84 ♦J2 ♣J1032
1♥ - 1NT - 3♥ - 3NT
Your hand: ♠A1032 ♥54 ♦KQ73 ♣J82
1♠ - 2♥ - 4♠
Your hand: ♥AKJ10 ♠3 ♦Q854 ♣Q1032
1♣ - 1♦ - 1♥ - 2NT - 3NT
Your hand: ♠KJ1032 ♥Q3 ♦A74 ♣965
1♥ - 2♣ - 2♥ - 3NT
Your hand: ♠AQ103 ♥J4 ♦K852 ♣J76
1♠ - 2♦ - 2♠ - 3NT
Your hand: ♥KQ103 ♠J4 ♦A73 ♣Q1032
1♦ - 1♥ - 2♦ - 3♦ - 5♦
Your hand: ♠AKJ10 ♥32 ♦54 ♣Q9876
1♥ - 1♠ - 2♥ - 2♠ - 4♥
Your hand: ♠KQ103 ♥2 ♦AJ84 ♣J1032
1♣ - 1♠ - 2♣ - 2♠ - 3NT
Your hand: ♥AJ1032 ♠4 ♦K873 ♣Q54
1NT - 2♣ - 2♦ - 3NT
Your hand: ♠KJ103 ♥A84 ♦Q732 ♣65

Resources

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