

Adventures in Bridge

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This Week in Bridge

Defensive Situations – 4th Hand Play

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General

- Win as cheaply as possible on defense
 - \circ $\;$ Declarer usually wins with highest honor to try and give defenders a problem
- Count
 - o Standard
 - o Upside-down
 - Win the Trick
 - Don't Give Up a Trick Giving Count "Do No Harm"
- Winning Tricks
 - Frozen Suits Play Last
- Playing 4th Hand when Partner is winning 2nd Hand
 - o Count
 - Suit Preference
- NT Vs. Suit Contracts
 - Save your entry?
 - Save Partner's Entry
- Last Line of Defense

When to Lie?

- Hold-Up Plays
 - Cut Communication
 - Ace
 - other
 - Make it look like the finesse worked
 - Ace
 - King
 - Queen
 - Danger of Partner having made a holdup play?
- False-Cards
 - Winning the higher of touching honors
 - AK Doubleton
 - Famous False-Card A from AQ