



Dealer: E		♠	K82	Vul: None	
		♥	T752		
		♦	KT5		
		♣	975		
♠	4	↑ <sub>6</sub> ← <sub>15</sub> 4→ ↓ <sub>15</sub>		♠	J3
♥	K864			♥	J93
♦	AQ862			♦	J943
♣	AQ6			♣	JT32
		♠	AQT9765		
		♥	AQ		
		♦	7		
		♣	K84		

<b>PLAY THIS HAND WITH JERRY</b>	Bidding	P -- 1♠ -- X -- 2♠
	Sequence→	P -- 4♠ -- P – P P

Here's another deal where you as declarer need to pay attention to the bidding and picture the cards in the defender's hands.

After my partner raised my spades I went to game and West led his trump which I won in my hand.

From the bidding and the lead you can guess that West holds almost all of the important outstanding high cards.

I then led a diamond and West played the Q which I covered with the K and that held. I had expected West to win with the A and exit a diamond, but he was trying to get his partner in to lead through my strength. When my diamond won, I ruffed a diamond back to my hand and played a spade to dummy to ruff my last diamond. Now I played the A hearts and the Q hearts noting that East played the 3 and 9 hearts. It's important to visualize the potential of the 10 hearts in dummy.

At this point West is truly endplayed. If he leads a heart it will make my 10 good so I can discard a losing club and if he leads a club my K will take a trick so I am always making this contract. It wouldn't have mattered if West had won the A diamonds and exited a diamond because I would take my club discard here and trump a diamond and do the same again making 4.

Results wise making +620 was 70%. Going down 1 was 18% (This would happen if you take either the club or heart finesse without eliminating the diamonds). Making +140 was 30%.

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