

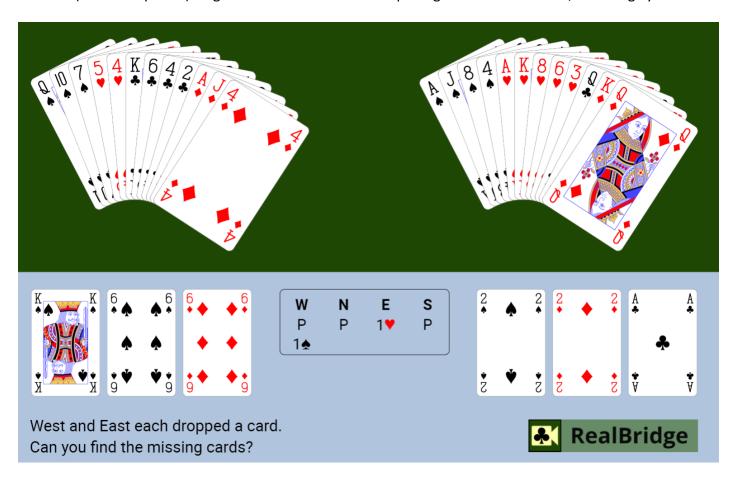
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Puzzle 3 (week of April 17) – again answers are based on opening 1NT of 15-17 and 2/1 Bidding System.



Extra Credit-What is East's next call and why?

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Answer to Real Bridge Puzzle 3:

W's choices of dropped cards: $\bigstar K$, $\bigstar 6$, $\bigstar 6$

The dropped card must be a spade as they need 4 spades to respond to their partner. It can't be the \triangle K as that would give them 13 points and they would not have passed originally. Therefore, the dropped card is the \triangle 6!

E's choices: ♠2, ♦2, ♣A

It cannot be a spade, as with 5 spades and 5 hearts they would have opened 1 . It cannot be the A, as that would give them 23 HCP and they would have opened 2. Therefore, the dropped card must be the 2.

Extra credit answer to the question, "What is East's next call?":

The answer I think most of us would arrive at is 4. Partner does not have opening count so this does not look like slam but partner does have at least 6 points so it means they should bid game.