

Lead of King vs NoTrump

Opening Lead

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3-Card Near Seq KQ1076	K	K
2-Card Seq KQ754	5	K
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♠ <u>K</u> Q 10 8 7	N W E S	
	♠ <u>A</u>	

- West would like to know who has ♠J

	♠ 4 3 <u>2</u>	
♠ <u>K</u> Q 10 8 7	N W E S	♠ <u>J</u> 5
	♠ <u>A</u> 9 6	

When your partner leads a king vs NT, if you have an honour (AKQJ10), you should generally play it.

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♠ <u>K</u> Q 10 8 7	W E	♠ <u>9</u> 5
	♠ A J 6	

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-High->Low shows an even number of cards

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	♠ 10 9 6	

Unblock with the ace, unless you can see this would cost a trick.

	♠ 7 6 <u>5</u>	
♠ A <u>K</u> J 10	W E	♠ <u>Q</u> 4 3
	♠ 9 8 2	

	♠ 7 6 <u>5</u>	
♠ A <u>K</u> J 10	W E	♠ 9 4 <u>3</u>
	♠ Q 8 2	

	♠ 4 3 <u>2</u>	
♠ <u>K</u> Q 8 7 6	W E	♠ <u>J</u> 5
Wrong!	♠ <u>A</u> 10 9	

Do NOT lead king if you cannot afford your partner to unblock.

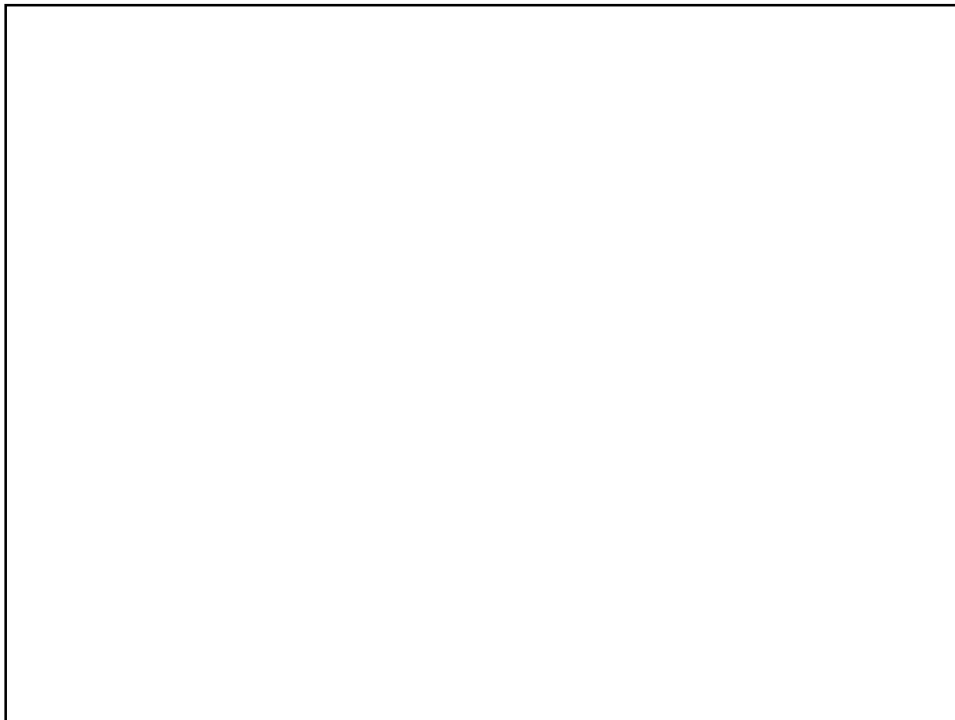
Correct Lead: K Q 8 7 6

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Opening Lead: More holdings where you lead king

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AKJ10	K	A
AKQ10	K	A
AKJ54	K	A



West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	1NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

West

♠ K 5 4

♥ J 9 8 6

♦ A K 3

♣ J 6

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- Lead of Ace asks for an attitude signal
 - HIGH to Encourage
 - LOW to Discourage

Ace is for Attitude, King is for Count

W	N	E	S		
			2NT	N North	
P	3♣	P	3♦	♠ A753	
P	3NT	P	P	♥ 9643	
P				♦ J102	
				♣ J8	
W West				♠ 3	
♠ KQ109				♠ K	♠ 2
♥ K105				♠ 4	
♦ K743					
♣ 96					

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