

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 1	♠ AQ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A65	
Vul: NS	♦ 6	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ K65432	

Board: 2	♠ 42	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ4	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ9	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A9832	

Board: 3	♠ 95	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: Both	♦ AKJ954	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ J432	

Board: 4	♠ Q92	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AKJ9	
Vul: NS	♦ A53	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ 1082	

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Board: 1
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ AQ3
 ♥ A65
 ♦ 6
 ♣ K65432

South:
 ♠ K1075
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ QJ8
 ♣ A1087

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♦ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 2
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ 42
 ♥ KJ4
 ♦ AJ9
 ♣ A9832

South:
 ♠ AK6
 ♥ Q
 ♦ K82
 ♣ QJ10754

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 3
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ 95
 ♥ A
 ♦ AKJ954
 ♣ J432

South:
 ♠ Q863
 ♥ J6
 ♦ Q872
 ♣ AK8

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 4
 Dealer: N
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ Q92
 ♥ AKJ9
 ♦ A53
 ♣ 1082

South:
 ♠ 853
 ♥ Q43
 ♦ Q
 ♣ AKQJ93

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

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Board: 1	♠ K1075	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ QJ	
Vul: NS	♦ QJ8	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A1087	

Board: 2	♠ AK6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	
Vul: EW	♦ K82	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ QJ10754	

Board: 3	♠ Q863	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ J6	
Vul: Both	♦ Q872	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ AK8	

Board: 4	♠ 853	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q43	
Vul: NS	♦ Q	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKQJ93	

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Board: 1
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ AQ3
♥ A65
♦ 6
♣ K65432

South:
♠ K1075
♥ QJ
♦ QJ8
♣ A1087

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♦ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 2
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 15
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ 42
♥ KJ4
♦ AJ9
♣ A9832

South:
♠ AK6
♥ Q
♦ K82
♣ QJ10754

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 3
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ 95
♥ A
♦ AKJ954
♣ J432

South:
♠ Q863
♥ J6
♦ Q872
♣ AK8

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 4
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ Q92
♥ AKJ9
♦ A53
♣ 1082

South:
♠ 853
♥ Q43
♦ Q
♣ AKQJ93

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

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Board: 5	♠ KJ10	East Doubles 5♦ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 5	
Vul: None	♦ QJ8	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQJ972	
Board: 6	♠ KJ2	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A542	
Vul: None	♦ KJ5	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ J93	
Board: 7	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ J4	
Vul: None	♦ AJ1064	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK10743	
Board: 8	♠ AQ52	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ97	
Vul: EW	♦ K75	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 87	

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Board: 5
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ KJ10
♥ 5
♦ QJ8
♣ KQJ972

South:
♠ AQ76
♥ K1093
♦ 2
♣ A1085

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♦ ⁵	X	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 6
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ KJ2
♥ A542
♦ KJ5
♣ J93

South:
♠ A83
♥ KJ7
♦ 10
♣ KQ8762

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4♠ ⁴	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 7
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ J4
♦ AJ1064
♣ AK10743

South:
♠ Q865
♥ KQ83
♦ K2
♣ Q86

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 8
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ AQ52
♥ KJ97
♦ K75
♣ 87

South:
♠ J6
♥ 3
♦ AJ10632
♣ AK54

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. artificial			

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Board: 5	♠ AQ76	East Doubles 5♦ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ K1093	
Vul: None	♦ 2	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A1085	

Board: 6	♠ A83	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ7	
Vul: None	♦ 10	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ8762	

Board: 7	♠ Q865	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ83	
Vul: None	♦ K2	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q86	

Board: 8	♠ J6	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 3	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ10632	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK54	

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Board: 5
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ KJ10
♥ 5
♦ QJ8
♣ KQJ972

South:
♠ AQ76
♥ K1093
♦ 2
♣ A1085

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♦ ⁵	X	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 6
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ KJ2
♥ A542
♦ KJ5
♣ J93

South:
♠ A83
♥ KJ7
♦ 10
♣ KQ8762

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4♠ ⁴	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 7
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ J4
♦ AJ1064
♣ AK10743

South:
♠ Q865
♥ KQ83
♦ K2
♣ Q86

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 8
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ AQ52
♥ KJ97
♦ K75
♣ 87

South:
♠ J6
♥ 3
♦ AJ10632
♣ AK54

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. artificial			

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Board: 9	♠ 4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q104	
Vul: EW	♦ AK9652	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ A42	
Board: 10	♠ K976	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	
Vul: EW	♦ 10652	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ AK105	
Board: 11	♠ 2	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 9	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ32	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AKJ10954	
Board: 12	♠ AJ6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K875	
Vul: None	♦ KQ105	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 87	

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Board: 9
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ 4
♥ Q104
♦ AK9652
♣ A42

South:
♠ KQ7
♥ A6
♦ Q873
♣ J1063

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 10
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ K976
♥ Q
♦ 10652
♣ AK105

South:
♠ —
♥ J95
♦ AKQJ98
♣ J862

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 11
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 2
♥ 9
♦ AJ32
♣ AKJ10954

South:
♠ AJ63
♥ A432
♦ K4
♣ Q83

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 12
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ AJ6
♥ K875
♦ KQ105
♣ 87

South:
♠ —
♥ Q94
♦ AJ8632
♣ KJ53

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♦ ⁵
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
5. A=1/5 or 4/5			

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Board: 9	♠ KQ7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A6	
Vul: EW	♦ Q873	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J1063	

Board: 10	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J95	
Vul: EW	♦ AKQJ98	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ J862	

Board: 11	♠ AJ63	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A432	
Vul: EW	♦ K4	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q83	

Board: 12	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q94	
Vul: None	♦ AJ8632	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KJ53	

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Board: 9
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ 4
♥ Q104
♦ AK9652
♣ A42

South:
♠ KQ7
♥ A6
♦ Q873
♣ J1063

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 10
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ K976
♥ Q
♦ 10652
♣ AK105

South:
♠ —
♥ J95
♦ AKQJ98
♣ J862

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 11
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 2
♥ 9
♦ AJ32
♣ AKJ10954

South:
♠ AJ63
♥ A432
♦ K4
♣ Q83

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 12
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ AJ6
♥ K875
♦ KQ105
♣ 87

South:
♠ —
♥ Q94
♦ AJ8632
♣ KJ53

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♦ ⁵
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
5. A=1/5 or 4/5			

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Board: 13	♠ 10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 83	
Vul: Both	♦ AK42	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ10973	
Board: 14	♠ KQ97	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KQ108	
Vul: EW	♦ J10	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ AK2	
Board: 15	♠ Q98	East Doubles 4♣ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ A64	
Vul: EW	♦ KQ108643	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ —	
Board: 16	♠ J973	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ103	
Vul: None	♦ A	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J1097	

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Board: 13
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 18
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ 10
♥ 83
♦ AK42
♣ AQ10973

South:
♠ AJ75
♥ AKJ
♦ Q8
♣ K862

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
			AP
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=0/5 or 3/5			

Board: 14
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ KQ97
♥ KQ108
♦ J10
♣ AK2

South:
♠ 108
♥ A
♦ AK52
♣ QJ10985

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 15
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ Q98
♥ A64
♦ KQ108643
♣ —

South:
♠ A763
♥ KQ8
♦ J952
♣ K3

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 16
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 15
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ J973
♥ AQ103
♦ A
♣ J1097

South:
♠ A
♥ J7
♦ K986
♣ AK8532

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=0/5 or 3/5			

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Board: 13	♠ AJ75	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AKJ	
Vul: Both	♦ Q8	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ K862	
Board: 14	♠ 108	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A	
Vul: EW	♦ AK52	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ QJ10985	
Board: 15	♠ A763	East Doubles 4♣ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ8	
Vul: EW	♦ J952	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K3	
Board: 16	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J7	
Vul: None	♦ K986	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AK8532	

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Board: 13
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 18
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ 10
♥ 83
♦ AK42
♣ AQ10973

South:
♠ AJ75
♥ AKJ
♦ Q8
♣ K862

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
			AP
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=0/5 or 3/5			

Board: 14
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ KQ97
♥ KQ108
♦ J10
♣ AK2

South:
♠ 108
♥ A
♦ AK52
♣ QJ10985

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 15
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ Q98
♥ A64
♦ KQ108643
♣ —

South:
♠ A763
♥ KQ8
♦ J952
♣ K3

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 16
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 15
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ J973
♥ AQ103
♦ A
♣ J1097

South:
♠ A
♥ J7
♦ K986
♣ AK8532

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=0/5 or 3/5			

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Board: 17	♠ Q	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A64	
Vul: NS	♦ Q96	Partner bids first.
HCP: 16	♣ AKJ943	

Board: 18	♠ AJ42	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K65	
Vul: Both	♦ A108	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 974	

Board: 19	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ	
Vul: None	♦ KQJ9852	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ 10943	

Board: 20	♠ 863	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KQ95	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ2	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q54	

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Board: 17

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 16

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ Q

♥ A64

♦ Q96

♣ AKJ943

South:

♠ AK4

♥ K753

♦ 875

♣ Q75

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 18

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ AJ42

♥ K65

♦ A108

♣ 974

South:

♠ —

♥ Q103

♦ K632

♣ AQ10832

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 19

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ —

♥ KQ

♦ KQJ9852

♣ 10943

South:

♠ AK86

♥ 852

♦ A763

♣ K8

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♣²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♠⁴

Pass 6♦ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 20

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ 863

♥ KQ95

♦ AJ2

♣ Q54

South:

♠ A

♥ 7

♦ Q10965

♣ AK9832

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♦⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 17	♠ AK4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K753	
Vul: NS	♦ 875	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q75	
Board: 18	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q103	
Vul: Both	♦ K632	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AQ10832	
Board: 19	♠ AK86	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 852	
Vul: None	♦ A763	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K8	
Board: 20	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 7	
Vul: EW	♦ Q10965	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK9832	

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Board: 17

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 16

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ Q

♥ A64

♦ Q96

♣ AKJ943

South:

♠ AK4

♥ K753

♦ 875

♣ Q75

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 18

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ AJ42

♥ K65

♦ A108

♣ 974

South:

♠ —

♥ Q103

♦ K632

♣ AQ10832

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 19

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ —

♥ KQ

♦ KQJ9852

♣ 10943

South:

♠ AK86

♥ 852

♦ A763

♣ K8

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♣²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♠⁴

Pass 6♦ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 20

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ 863

♥ KQ95

♦ AJ2

♣ Q54

South:

♠ A

♥ 7

♦ Q10965

♣ AK9832

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♦⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 21	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q85	
Vul: EW	♦ KQ4	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQJ9865	
Board: 22	♠ K62	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AK83	
Vul: NS	♦ 98	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K532	
Board: 23	♠ Q106	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ93	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KJ10863	
Board: 24	♠ A8	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ Q942	
Vul: EW	♦ A10965	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q6	

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Board: 21
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ Q85
♦ KQ4
♣ AQJ9865

South:
♠ Q1064
♥ AK63
♦ J5
♣ K43

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♥ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 22
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ K62
♥ AK83
♦ 98
♣ K532

South:
♠ Q
♥ J109
♦ AQ
♣ AJ108764

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 23
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ Q106
♥ —
♦ AJ93
♣ KJ10863

South:
♠ A974
♥ K532
♦ K2
♣ A95

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 24
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ A8
♥ Q942
♦ A10965
♣ Q6

South:
♠ 7
♥ AJ
♦ KJ8732
♣ AJ43

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♠ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. artificial
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 21	♠ Q1064	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK63	
Vul: EW	♦ J5	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K43	
Board: 22	♠ Q	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J109	
Vul: NS	♦ AQ	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ108764	
Board: 23	♠ A974	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ K532	
Vul: EW	♦ K2	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A95	
Board: 24	♠ 7	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AJ	
Vul: EW	♦ KJ8732	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ43	

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Board: 21
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ Q85
♦ KQ4
♣ AQJ9865

South:
♠ Q1064
♥ AK63
♦ J5
♣ K43

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♥ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 22
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ K62
♥ AK83
♦ 98
♣ K532

South:
♠ Q
♥ J109
♦ AQ
♣ AJ108764

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 23
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ Q106
♥ —
♦ AJ93
♣ KJ10863

South:
♠ A974
♥ K532
♦ K2
♣ A95

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 24
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ A8
♥ Q942
♦ A10965
♣ Q6

South:
♠ 7
♥ AJ
♦ KJ8732
♣ AJ43

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♠ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. artificial
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 25	♠ —	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ QJ	
Vul: Both	♦ AJ984	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ9863	

Board: 26	♠ AJ108	West Bids 4NT if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ KQ6	
Vul: None	♦ 74	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q654	

Board: 27	♠ J	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A6	
Vul: Both	♦ AK9864	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ J763	

Board: 28	♠ AK9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 7642	
Vul: Both	♦ AJ3	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 743	

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Board: 25
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ AJ984
 ♣ KQ9863

South:
 ♠ Q742
 ♥ A74
 ♦ KQ5
 ♣ J54

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 26
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AJ108
 ♥ KQ6
 ♦ 74
 ♣ Q654

South:
 ♠ Q62
 ♥ A95
 ♦ 5
 ♣ AKJ832

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
4NT ²	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Unusual 4NT			

Board: 27
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ J
 ♥ A6
 ♦ AK9864
 ♣ J763

South:
 ♠ AQ93
 ♥ QJ108
 ♦ Q107
 ♣ K5

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. surplus			

Board: 28
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK9
 ♥ 7642
 ♦ AJ3
 ♣ 743

South:
 ♠ 1043
 ♥ A
 ♦ 72
 ♣ AKQ10865

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4♠ ⁴	Pass	4NT ⁵
Pass	5♥ ⁶	Pass	6♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
5. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
6. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 25	♠ Q742	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ A74	
Vul: Both	♦ KQ5	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J54	
Board: 26	♠ Q62	West Bids 4NT if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ A95	
Vul: None	♦ 5	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ832	
Board: 27	♠ AQ93	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ QJ108	
Vul: Both	♦ Q107	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K5	
Board: 28	♠ 1043	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A	
Vul: Both	♦ 72	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AKQ10865	

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Board: 25
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ AJ984
 ♣ KQ9863

South:
 ♠ Q742
 ♥ A74
 ♦ KQ5
 ♣ J54

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 26
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AJ108
 ♥ KQ6
 ♦ 74
 ♣ Q654

South:
 ♠ Q62
 ♥ A95
 ♦ 5
 ♣ AKJ832

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
4NT ²	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Unusual 4NT			

Board: 27
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ J
 ♥ A6
 ♦ AK9864
 ♣ J763

South:
 ♠ AQ93
 ♥ QJ108
 ♦ Q107
 ♣ K5

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. surplus			

Board: 28
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ AK9
♥ 7642
♦ AJ3
♣ 743

South:
♠ 1043
♥ A
♦ 72
♣ AKQ10865

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4♠ ⁴	Pass	4NT ⁵
Pass	5♥ ⁶	Pass	6♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
5. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
6. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 29	♠ 2	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A65	
Vul: None	♦ Q4	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AKQ10843	
Board: 30	♠ Q108	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AK4	
Vul: EW	♦ Q84	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q842	
Board: 31	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K85	
Vul: NS	♦ AJ108	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ K98652	
Board: 32	♠ AK32	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 952	
Vul: Both	♦ J65	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ A98	
Board: 33	♠ 5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K94	
Vul: NS	♦ AJ6	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AJ10732	

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Board: 29
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 15
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 2
 ♥ A65
 ♦ Q4
 ♣ AKQ10843

South:
 ♠ KJ104
 ♥ K3
 ♦ A103
 ♣ J972

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 30
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ Q108
 ♥ AK4
 ♦ Q84
 ♣ Q842

South:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ Q96
 ♦ A32
 ♣ AK9653

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 31
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ K85
 ♦ AJ108
 ♣ K98652

South:
 ♠ K985
 ♥ A64
 ♦ 32
 ♣ AJ103

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 32
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK32
 ♥ 952
 ♦ J65
 ♣ A98

South:
 ♠ Q76
 ♥ —
 ♦ AK103
 ♣ Q107632

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♠ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 33

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ 5

♥ K94

♦ AJ6

♣ AJ10732

South:

♠ QJ3

♥ AQJ6

♦ Q92

♣ Q94

West	North	East	South
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			1♣
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Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
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Pass	5♣	AP	
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1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 29 ♠ KJ104
Dealer: S ♥ K3
Vul: None ♦ A103
HCP: 12 ♣ J972

The opponents are silent.

You bid first.

Board: 30 ♠ 3
Dealer: N ♥ Q96
Vul: EW ♦ A32
HCP: 13 ♣ AK9653

West Doubles 3♠ if possible.

Partner bids first.

Board: 31 ♠ K985
Dealer: S ♥ A64
Vul: NS ♦ 32
HCP: 12 ♣ AJ103

The opponents are silent.

You bid first.

Board: 32 ♠ Q76
Dealer: N ♥ —
Vul: Both ♦ AK103
HCP: 11 ♣ Q107632

West Doubles 3♥ if possible.

Partner bids first.

Board: 33 ♠ QJ3
Dealer: S ♥ AQJ6
Vul: NS ♦ Q92
HCP: 14 ♣ Q94

The opponents are silent.

You bid first.

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Board: 29
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 15
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 2
 ♥ A65
 ♦ Q4
 ♣ AKQ10843

South:
 ♠ KJ104
 ♥ K3
 ♦ A103
 ♣ J972

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 30
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ Q108
 ♥ AK4
 ♦ Q84
 ♣ Q842

South:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ Q96
 ♦ A32
 ♣ AK9653

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 31
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ K85
 ♦ AJ108
 ♣ K98652

South:
 ♠ K985
 ♥ A64
 ♦ 32
 ♣ AJ103

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 32
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK32
 ♥ 952
 ♦ J65
 ♣ A98

South:
 ♠ Q76
 ♥ —
 ♦ AK103
 ♣ Q107632

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♠ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 33

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ 5

♥ K94

♦ AJ6

♣ AJ10732

South:

♠ QJ3

♥ AQJ6

♦ Q92

♣ Q94

West	North	East	South
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			1♣
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Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
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Pass	5♣	AP	
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1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

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Board: 34	♠ AQJ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J73	
Vul: EW	♦ A87	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 642	

Board: 35	♠ A10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 2	
Vul: NS	♦ Q109	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ8632	

Board: 36	♠ 42	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q764	
Vul: None	♦ K93	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ AK65	

Board: 37	♠ QJ8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 5	
Vul: NS	♦ AQ10	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ7643	

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Board: 34
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ AQJ3
♥ J73
♦ A87
♣ 642

South:
♠ 6
♥ K4
♦ QJ105
♣ AKJ1098

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♥ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

Board: 35
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ A10
♥ 2
♦ Q109
♣ AKJ8632

South:
♠ J94
♥ A654
♦ AJ5
♣ Q104

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 36
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ 42
♥ Q764
♦ K93
♣ AK65

South:
♠ A
♥ K5
♦ A1082
♣ QJ8432

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 37
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ QJ8
♥ 5
♦ AQ10
♣ KJ7643

South:
♠ A743
♥ KQ63
♦ 3
♣ A1052

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 34	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K4	
Vul: EW	♦ QJ105	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ1098	

Board: 35	♠ J94	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A654	
Vul: NS	♦ AJ5	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q104	

Board: 36	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K5	
Vul: None	♦ A1082	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ QJ8432	

Board: 37	♠ A743	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ63	
Vul: NS	♦ 3	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A1052	

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Board: 34
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ AQJ3
♥ J73
♦ A87
♣ 642

South:
♠ 6
♥ K4
♦ QJ105
♣ AKJ1098

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♥ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

Board: 35
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ A10
♥ 2
♦ Q109
♣ AKJ8632

South:
♠ J94
♥ A654
♦ AJ5
♣ Q104

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 36
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ 42
♥ Q764
♦ K93
♣ AK65

South:
♠ A
♥ K5
♦ A1082
♣ QJ8432

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 37
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ QJ8
♥ 5
♦ AQ10
♣ KJ7643

South:
♠ A743
♥ KQ63
♦ 3
♣ A1052

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

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Board: 38	♠ AK52	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K8	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ9	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ 9532	

Board: 39	♠ K83	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 1087	
Vul: None	♦ A	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ10643	

Board: 40	♠ 85	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K1087	
Vul: Both	♦ AJ	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KJ764	

Board: 41	♠ QJ10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 4	
Vul: None	♦ QJ4	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK9432	

Board: 42	♠ AKJ	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q932	
Vul: NS	♦ J87	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J73	

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Board: 38
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK52
 ♥ K8
 ♦ KJ9
 ♣ 9532

South:
 ♠ 4
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ 10876
 ♣ AKQJ104

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 39
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ K83
 ♥ 1087
 ♦ A
 ♣ AQ10643

South:
 ♠ A62
 ♥ KQ2
 ♦ Q73
 ♣ K952

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♦ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 40
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ 85
 ♥ K1087
 ♦ AJ
 ♣ KJ764

South:
 ♠ A43
 ♥ A
 ♦ 542
 ♣ AQ10832

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 41
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ QJ10
 ♥ 4
 ♦ QJ4
 ♣ AK9432

South:
 ♠ 853
 ♥ AK75
 ♦ A108
 ♣ Q65

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 42
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AKJ
♥ Q932
♦ J87
♣ J73

South:
♠ Q
♥ 5
♦ KQ962
♣ AQ10986

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

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Board: 38	♠ 4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AJ	
Vul: Both	♦ 10876	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AKQJ104	

Board: 39	♠ A62	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ2	
Vul: None	♦ Q73	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K952	

Board: 40	♠ A43	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A	
Vul: Both	♦ 542	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQ10832	

Board: 41	♠ 853	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK75	
Vul: None	♦ A108	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q65	

Board: 42	♠ Q	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 5	
Vul: NS	♦ KQ962	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ10986	

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Board: 38
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK52
 ♥ K8
 ♦ KJ9
 ♣ 9532

South:
 ♠ 4
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ 10876
 ♣ AKQJ104

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 39
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ K83
 ♥ 1087
 ♦ A
 ♣ AQ10643

South:
 ♠ A62
 ♥ KQ2
 ♦ Q73
 ♣ K952

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♦ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 40
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ 85
 ♥ K1087
 ♦ AJ
 ♣ KJ764

South:
 ♠ A43
 ♥ A
 ♦ 542
 ♣ AQ10832

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 41
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ QJ10
 ♥ 4
 ♦ QJ4
 ♣ AK9432

South:
 ♠ 853
 ♥ AK75
 ♦ A108
 ♣ Q65

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 42
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AKJ
♥ Q932
♦ J87
♣ J73

South:
♠ Q
♥ 5
♦ KQ962
♣ AQ10986

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

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Board: 43	♠ A	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 76	
Vul: None	♦ AJ8543	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ A832	

Board: 44	♠ K96	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K	
Vul: EW	♦ J852	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ862	

Board: 45	♠ AQ8	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: EW	♦ J98753	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KJ107	

Board: 46	♠ AQ103	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J52	
Vul: EW	♦ A6	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K732	

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Board: 43

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ A

♥ 76

♦ AJ8543

♣ A832

South:

♠ Q1064

♥ KJ42

♦ K97

♣ KQ

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹ X 4♣²

Pass 4♣³ Pass 5♣⁴

Pass 6♦ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. surplus

Board: 44

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 18

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ K96

♥ K

♦ J852

♣ KQ862

South:

♠ A

♥ 76

♦ AKQ7

♣ AJ10743

West North East South

1♣

Pass

3♠¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♦⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 45

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ AQ8

♥ —

♦ J98753

♣ KJ107

South:

♠ 10974

♥ KJ6

♦ AKQ6

♣ 43

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥¹ X 4♥²

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter

2. artificial

Board: 46

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 10

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AQ103

♥ J52

♦ A6

♣ K732

South:

♠ 9

♥ 8

♦ K10972

♣ AQJ965

West North East South

1♣

Pass

3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 5♣

Pass 6♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

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Board: 43	♠ Q1064	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ42	
Vul: None	♦ K97	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ KQ	

Board: 44	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 76	
Vul: EW	♦ AKQ7	Partner bids first.
HCP: 18	♣ AJ10743	

Board: 45	♠ 10974	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ6	
Vul: EW	♦ AKQ6	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 43	

Board: 46	♠ 9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 8	
Vul: EW	♦ K10972	Partner bids first.
HCP: 10	♣ AQJ965	

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Board: 43

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ A

♥ 76

♦ AJ8543

♣ A832

South:

♠ Q1064

♥ KJ42

♦ K97

♣ KQ

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹

X

4♣²

Pass 4♠³

Pass

5♣⁴

Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. surplus

Board: 44

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 18

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ K96

♥ K

♦ J852

♣ KQ862

South:

♠ A

♥ 76

♦ AKQ7

♣ AJ10743

West North East South

1♣

Pass

3♠¹

Pass 4♥²

Pass

4NT³

Pass 5♦⁴

Pass

6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 45

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 11

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ AQ8

♥ —

♦ J98753

♣ KJ107

South:

♠ 10974

♥ KJ6

♦ AKQ6

♣ 43

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♥¹

X

4♥²

Pass 5♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. artificial

Board: 46

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 10

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AQ103

♥ J52

♦ A6

♣ K732

South:

♠ 9

♥ 8

♦ K10972

♣ AQJ965

West North East South

1♣

Pass

3♥¹

Pass 4♦²

Pass

5♣

Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

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Board: 47	♠ 7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A5	
Vul: Both	♦ KQJ752	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ K973	
Board: 48	♠ AK	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KQ9	
Vul: EW	♦ Q985	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ 9432	
Board: 49	♠ —	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ K2	
Vul: NS	♦ QJ83	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQJ6532	
Board: 50	♠ AJ104	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ93	
Vul: NS	♦ —	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A10973	

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Board: 47
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ 7
 ♥ A5
 ♦ KQJ752
 ♣ K973

South:
 ♠ QJ8
 ♥ K74
 ♦ A98643
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 48
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK
 ♥ KQ9
 ♦ Q985
 ♣ 9432

South:
 ♠ Q102
 ♥ A53
 ♦ AKJ632
 ♣ 8

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 49
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ K2
 ♦ QJ83
 ♣ KQJ6532

South:
 ♠ K874
 ♥ AJ4
 ♦ A104
 ♣ 1098

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♥ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

Board: 50
 Dealer: N
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 10
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AJ104
 ♥ KJ93
 ♦ —
 ♣ A10973

South:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ 10
 ♦ AK1043
 ♣ QJ8654

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 47	♠ QJ8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K74	
Vul: Both	♦ A98643	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q	
Board: 48	♠ Q102	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A53	
Vul: EW	♦ AKJ632	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ 8	
Board: 49	♠ K874	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ4	
Vul: NS	♦ A104	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 1098	
Board: 50	♠ 3	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 10	
Vul: NS	♦ AK1043	Partner bids first.
HCP: 10	♣ QJ8654	

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Board: 47
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ 7
 ♥ A5
 ♦ KQJ752
 ♣ K973

South:
 ♠ QJ8
 ♥ K74
 ♦ A98643
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 48
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK
 ♥ KQ9
 ♦ Q985
 ♣ 9432

South:
 ♠ Q102
 ♥ A53
 ♦ AKJ632
 ♣ 8

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 49
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ K2
 ♦ QJ83
 ♣ KQJ6532

South:
 ♠ K874
 ♥ AJ4
 ♦ A104
 ♣ 1098

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♥ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

Board: 50
 Dealer: N
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 10
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AJ104
 ♥ KJ93
 ♦ —
 ♣ A10973

South:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ 10
 ♦ AK1043
 ♣ QJ8654

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 51	♠ J4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q	
Vul: None	♦ KQJ1072	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AQ107	
Board: 52	♠ AQ62	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ94	
Vul: None	♦ AK	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ 1062	
Board: 53	♠ —	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ K7	
Vul: Both	♦ Q10953	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KQJ1054	
Board: 54	♠ A1087	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ74	
Vul: None	♦ Q	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 10975	

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Board: 51
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 15
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J4
♥ Q
♦ KQJ1072
♣ AQ107

South:
♠ AQ109
♥ AKJ2
♦ A965
♣ 6

West	North	East	South
			1♦

Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 52
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 19
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AQ62
♥ AQ94
♦ AK
♣ 1062

South:
♠ —
♥ K76
♦ J86
♣ AQJ9543

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹

Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♣ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 53
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ K7
♦ Q10953
♣ KQJ1054

South:
♠ A863
♥ A10
♦ 72
♣ A9863

West	North	East	South
			1♣

Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 54
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 10
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A1087
♥ AQ74
♦ Q
♣ 10975

South:
♠ 93
♥ —
♦ K10974
♣ AQJ843

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹

X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 51 ♠ AQ109
Dealer: S ♥ AKJ2
Vul: None ♦ A965
HCP: 18 ♣ 6

The opponents are silent.

You bid first.

Board: 52 ♠ —
Dealer: N ♥ K76
Vul: None ♦ J86
HCP: 11 ♣ AQJ9543

The opponents are silent.

Partner bids first.

Board: 53 ♠ A863
Dealer: S ♥ A10
Vul: Both ♦ 72
HCP: 12 ♣ A9863

East Doubles 3♠ if possible.

You bid first.

Board: 54 ♠ 93
Dealer: N ♥ —
Vul: None ♦ K10974
HCP: 10 ♣ AQJ843

West Doubles 3♥ if possible.

Partner bids first.

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Board: 51
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 15
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J4
♥ Q
♦ KQJ1072
♣ AQ107

South:
♠ AQ109
♥ AKJ2
♦ A965
♣ 6

West	North	East	South
			1♦

Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 52
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 19
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AQ62
♥ AQ94
♦ AK
♣ 1062

South:
♠ —
♥ K76
♦ J86
♣ AQJ9543

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹

Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♣ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 53
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ K7
♦ Q10953
♣ KQJ1054

South:
♠ A863
♥ A10
♦ 72
♣ A9863

West	North	East	South
			1♣

Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 54
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 10
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A1087
♥ AQ74
♦ Q
♣ 10975

South:
♠ 93
♥ —
♦ K10974
♣ AQJ843

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹

X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 55	♠ Q5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: NS	♦ KQ1074	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KJ10987	

Board: 56	♠ AK10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 10982	
Vul: Both	♦ AK102	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ 73	

Board: 57	♠ Q103	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 5	
Vul: EW	♦ A109752	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK2	

Board: 58	♠ AK108	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q108	
Vul: None	♦ 9762	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ	

Board: 59	♠ —	East Bids 4♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ J105	
Vul: NS	♦ AQ6543	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ83	

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Board: 55
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ Q5
 ♥ —
 ♦ KQ1074
 ♣ KJ10987

South:
 ♠ 1096
 ♥ A532
 ♦ A2
 ♣ AQ53

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 56
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK10
 ♥ 10982
 ♦ AK102
 ♣ 73

South:
 ♠ Q8
 ♥ A
 ♦ QJ6543
 ♣ KJ62

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 57
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ Q103
 ♥ 5
 ♦ A109752
 ♣ AK2

South:
 ♠ A765
 ♥ KQ4
 ♦ K864
 ♣ Q6

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 58
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK108
 ♥ Q108
 ♦ 9762
 ♣ AJ

South:
 ♠ Q74
 ♥ 763
 ♦ AKQJ85
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 59
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ J105
 ♦ AQ6543
 ♣ KQ83

South:
 ♠ 984
 ♥ AQ8
 ♦ KJ82
 ♣ A52

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	4♣	5♣ ²
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. surplus			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 55	♠ 1096	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A532	
Vul: NS	♦ A2	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQ53	

Board: 56	♠ Q8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A	
Vul: Both	♦ QJ6543	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ62	

Board: 57	♠ A765	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ4	
Vul: EW	♦ K864	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q6	

Board: 58	♠ Q74	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 763	
Vul: None	♦ AKQJ85	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q	

Board: 59	♠ 984	East Bids 4♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AQ8	
Vul: NS	♦ KJ82	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A52	

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Board: 55
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ Q5
 ♥ —
 ♦ KQ1074
 ♣ KJ10987

South:
 ♠ 1096
 ♥ A532
 ♦ A2
 ♣ AQ53

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 56
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 6♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK10
 ♥ 10982
 ♦ AK102
 ♣ 73

South:
 ♠ Q8
 ♥ A
 ♦ QJ6543
 ♣ KJ62

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 57
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ Q103
 ♥ 5
 ♦ A109752
 ♣ AK2

South:
 ♠ A765
 ♥ KQ4
 ♦ K864
 ♣ Q6

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 58
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ AK108
 ♥ Q108
 ♦ 9762
 ♣ AJ

South:
 ♠ Q74
 ♥ 763
 ♦ AKQJ85
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♦
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 59
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ —
 ♥ J105
 ♦ AQ6543
 ♣ KQ83

South:
 ♠ 984
 ♥ AQ8
 ♦ KJ82
 ♣ A52

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	4♣	5♣ ²
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. surplus			

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Board: 60	♠ Q7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K65	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ72	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A974	

Board: 61	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 52	
Vul: None	♦ A8752	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AK9765	

Board: 62	♠ AJ42	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K87	
Vul: Both	♦ Q3	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K1095	

Board: 63	♠ Q7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: NS	♦ K1097	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ9872	

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Board: 60
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ Q7
♥ K65
♦ KJ72
♣ A974

South:
♠ A
♥ J97
♦ AQ9854
♣ Q85

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4♠ ⁴
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 61
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ 52
♦ A8752
♣ AK9765

South:
♠ K64
♥ AJ6
♦ Q104
♣ Q1032

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 62
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AJ42
♥ K87
♦ Q3
♣ K1095

South:
♠ —
♥ AQ3
♦ J54
♣ AQJ8732

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 63
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ Q7
♥ A
♦ K1097
♣ AJ9872

South:
♠ A532
♥ J987
♦ A6
♣ KQ6

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4♠ ⁴
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 60	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J97	
Vul: Both	♦ AQ9854	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q85	

Board: 61	♠ K64	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ6	
Vul: None	♦ Q104	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q1032	

Board: 62	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ3	
Vul: Both	♦ J54	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQJ8732	

Board: 63	♠ A532	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ J987	
Vul: NS	♦ A6	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ KQ6	

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Board: 60
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ Q7
♥ K65
♦ KJ72
♣ A974

South:
♠ A
♥ J97
♦ AQ9854
♣ Q85

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♦
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4♠ ⁴
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 61
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ 52
♦ A8752
♣ AK9765

South:
♠ K64
♥ AJ6
♦ Q104
♣ Q1032

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 62
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ AJ42
♥ K87
♦ Q3
♣ K1095

South:
♠ —
♥ AQ3
♦ J54
♣ AQJ8732

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 63
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ Q7
♥ A
♦ K1097
♣ AJ9872

South:
♠ A532
♥ J987
♦ A6
♣ KQ6

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4♠ ⁴
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 64	♠ KQJ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q86	
Vul: Both	♦ Q1082	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K8	
Board: 65	♠ J85	East Doubles 4♣ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AKQ	
Vul: EW	♦ QJ10874	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 7	
Board: 66	♠ 1052	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AKJ5	
Vul: None	♦ K83	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q43	
Board: 67	♠ J10	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: NS	♦ AJ10963	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK432	

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Board: 64
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ KQJ3
♥ Q86
♦ Q1082
♣ K8

South:
♠ A
♥ K7
♦ KJ9753
♣ Q743

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 65
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J85
♥ AKQ
♦ QJ10874
♣ 7

South:
♠ AQ72
♥ 96
♦ A962
♣ KJ9

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 66
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ 1052
♥ AKJ5
♦ K83
♣ Q43

South:
♠ A84
♥ Q43
♦ 9
♣ AKJ876

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 67
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J10
♥ —
♦ AJ10963
♣ AK432

South:
♠ AQ8
♥ Q95
♦ K754
♣ J108

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 64	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K7	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ9753	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q743	
Board: 65	♠ AQ72	East Doubles 4♣ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 96	
Vul: EW	♦ A962	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ KJ9	
Board: 66	♠ A84	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ Q43	
Vul: None	♦ 9	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ876	
Board: 67	♠ AQ8	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ Q95	
Vul: NS	♦ K754	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J108	

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Board: 64
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ KQJ3
♥ Q86
♦ Q1082
♣ K8

South:
♠ A
♥ K7
♦ KJ9753
♣ Q743

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 65
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J85
♥ AKQ
♦ QJ10874
♣ 7

South:
♠ AQ72
♥ 96
♦ A962
♣ KJ9

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 66
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ 1052
♥ AKJ5
♦ K83
♣ Q43

South:
♠ A84
♥ Q43
♦ 9
♣ AKJ876

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 67
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J10
♥ —
♦ AJ10963
♣ AK432

South:
♠ AQ8
♥ Q95
♦ K754
♣ J108

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 68	♠ AQ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A84	
Vul: None	♦ K73	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ AQ98	
Board: 69	♠ Q10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: EW	♦ Q109864	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AQJ73	
Board: 70	♠ AK72	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AJ73	
Vul: Both	♦ Q6	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ 1073	
Board: 71	♠ —	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 1083	
Vul: Both	♦ A1064	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AQJ843	

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Board: 68
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 19
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 6N N

North:
 ♠ AQ3
 ♥ A84
 ♦ K73
 ♣ AQ98

South:
 ♠ —
 ♥ QJ7
 ♦ A982
 ♣ KJ10762

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♥ ⁵
Pass	6NT	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 69
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ Q10
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q109864
 ♣ AQJ73

South:
 ♠ 75
 ♥ AJ98
 ♦ AJ52
 ♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

Board: 70
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK72
 ♥ AJ73
 ♦ Q6
 ♣ 1073

South:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ Q2
 ♦ J9
 ♣ AKQJ8642

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♥ ⁴	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 71
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ 1083
♦ A1064
♣ AQJ843

South:
♠ AQ7
♥ KJ96
♦ J3
♣ K965

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 68	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ QJ7	
Vul: None	♦ A982	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KJ10762	
Board: 69	♠ 75	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ98	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ52	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K82	
Board: 70	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q2	
Vul: Both	♦ J9	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AKQJ8642	
Board: 71	♠ AQ7	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ96	
Vul: Both	♦ J3	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K965	

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Board: 68
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 19
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 6N N

North:
 ♠ AQ3
 ♥ A84
 ♦ K73
 ♣ AQ98

South:
 ♠ —
 ♥ QJ7
 ♦ A982
 ♣ KJ10762

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♥ ⁵
Pass	6NT	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 69
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ Q10
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q109864
 ♣ AQJ73

South:
 ♠ 75
 ♥ AJ98
 ♦ AJ52
 ♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

Board: 70
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AK72
 ♥ AJ73
 ♦ Q6
 ♣ 1073

South:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ Q2
 ♦ J9
 ♣ AKQJ8642

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♥ ⁴	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

Board: 71
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ 1083
♦ A1064
♣ AQJ843

South:
♠ AQ7
♥ KJ96
♦ J3
♣ K965

West	North	East	South
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			1♣
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Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
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Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
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Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6♣
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1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 72	♠ A73	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ4	
Vul: Both	♦ AKQ	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ 8652	

Board: 73	♠ 4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK	
Vul: None	♦ Q743	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ10943	

Board: 74	♠ K95	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ85	
Vul: EW	♦ K3	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ AQ64	

Board: 75	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K103	
Vul: Both	♦ AK84	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ QJ8654	

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Board: 72
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 19
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A73
♥ AQ4
♦ AKQ
♣ 8652

South:
♠ K5
♥ —
♦ 9763
♣ AKJ10943

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♣ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 73
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 4
♥ AK
♦ Q743
♣ AJ10943

South:
♠ KQ96
♥ 106
♦ K95
♣ KQ86

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 74
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ K95
♥ AQ85
♦ K3
♣ AQ64

South:
♠ AQ8
♥ 9
♦ A76
♣ K98753

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 75
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ K103
♦ AK84
♣ QJ8654

South:
♠ AJ4
♥ A872
♦ 1092
♣ K109

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 72	♠ K5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ —	
Vul: Both	♦ 9763	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AKJ10943	
Board: 73	♠ KQ96	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 106	
Vul: None	♦ K95	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ86	
Board: 74	♠ AQ8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 9	
Vul: EW	♦ A76	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ K98753	
Board: 75	♠ AJ4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A872	
Vul: Both	♦ 1092	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ K109	

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Board: 72
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 19
South HCP: 11
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A73
♥ AQ4
♦ AKQ
♣ 8652

South:
♠ K5
♥ —
♦ 9763
♣ AKJ10943

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♣ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 73
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 4
♥ AK
♦ Q743
♣ AJ10943

South:
♠ KQ96
♥ 106
♦ K95
♣ KQ86

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 74
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ K95
♥ AQ85
♦ K3
♣ AQ64

South:
♠ AQ8
♥ 9
♦ A76
♣ K98753

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 75
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ K103
♦ AK84
♣ QJ8654

South:
♠ AJ4
♥ A872
♦ 1092
♣ K109

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=0/5 or 3/5

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 76	♠ K9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K1093	
Vul: NS	♦ J1032	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ8	
Board: 77	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A6	
Vul: EW	♦ AKQ10	Partner bids first.
HCP: 18	♣ AJ9752	
Board: 78	♠ 9754	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AK75	
Vul: Both	♦ QJ9	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A4	
Board: 79	♠ 9	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ8	
Vul: None	♦ AKJ1072	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ J63	

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Board: 76
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ K9
♥ K1093
♦ J1032
♣ AQ8

South:
♠ A52
♥ Q5
♦ AK98764
♣ 6

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 77
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 6
♥ A6
♦ AKQ10
♣ AJ9752

South:
♠ AQ105
♥ K1074
♦ 52
♣ KQ4

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 78
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ 9754
♥ AK75
♦ QJ9
♣ A4

South:
♠ A
♥ 108
♦ AK8742
♣ K1076

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 79
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ 9
♥ KJ8
♦ AKJ1072
♣ J63

South:
♠ AQ63
♥ AQ
♦ 8543
♣ Q94

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 76	♠ A52	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q5	
Vul: NS	♦ AK98764	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 6	
Board: 77	♠ AQ105	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K1074	
Vul: EW	♦ 52	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ KQ4	
Board: 78	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 108	
Vul: Both	♦ AK8742	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ K1076	
Board: 79	♠ AQ63	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AQ	
Vul: None	♦ 8543	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q94	

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Board: 76
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ K9
♥ K1093
♦ J1032
♣ AQ8

South:
♠ A52
♥ Q5
♦ AK98764
♣ 6

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	4♣ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 77
Dealer: S
Vul: EW
North HCP: 18
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 6
♥ A6
♦ AKQ10
♣ AJ9752

South:
♠ AQ105
♥ K1074
♦ 52
♣ KQ4

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 78
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ 9754
♥ AK75
♦ QJ9
♣ A4

South:
♠ A
♥ 108
♦ AK8742
♣ K1076

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 79
Dealer: S
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ 9
♥ KJ8
♦ AKJ1072
♣ J63

South:
♠ AQ63
♥ AQ
♦ 8543
♣ Q94

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 80	♠ K876	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ A42	
Vul: Both	♦ K76	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q73	

Board: 81	♠ AK7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 6	
Vul: Both	♦ A32	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q87532	

Board: 82	♠ Q1098	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AKJ4	
Vul: Both	♦ J7	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q109	

Board: 83	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A86	
Vul: Both	♦ AK107	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ 976532	

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Board: 80
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ K876
♥ A42
♦ K76
♣ Q73

South:
♠ —
♥ K83
♦ AQ43
♣ KJ9854

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 81
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ AK7
♥ 6
♦ A32
♣ Q87532

South:
♠ 1094
♥ AK87
♦ K10
♣ K1064

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 82
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ Q1098
♥ AKJ4
♦ J7
♣ Q109

South:
♠ A73
♥ 1065
♦ —
♣ AKJ7642

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	Pass	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			

Board: 83
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6N S

North:
♠ —
♥ A86
♦ AK107
♣ 976532

South:
♠ AK87
♥ K1053
♦ Q3
♣ KQJ

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6NT
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 80	♠ —	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ K83	
Vul: Both	♦ AQ43	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ9854	

Board: 81	♠ 1094	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK87	
Vul: Both	♦ K10	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K1064	

Board: 82	♠ A73	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 1065	
Vul: Both	♦ —	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ AKJ7642	

Board: 83	♠ AK87	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K1053	
Vul: Both	♦ Q3	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ KQJ	

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Board: 80
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ K876
♥ A42
♦ K76
♣ Q73

South:
♠ —
♥ K83
♦ AQ43
♣ KJ9854

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 81
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ AK7
♥ 6
♦ A32
♣ Q87532

South:
♠ 1094
♥ AK87
♦ K10
♣ K1064

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 82
Dealer: N
Vul: Both
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 12
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ Q1098
♥ AKJ4
♦ J7
♣ Q109

South:
♠ A73
♥ 1065
♦ —
♣ AKJ7642

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	Pass	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			

Board: 83
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 11
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6N S

North:
♠ —
♥ A86
♦ AK107
♣ 976532

South:
♠ AK87
♥ K1053
♦ Q3
♣ KQJ

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6NT
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0			

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 84 ♠ Q1093
Dealer: N ♥ 7
Vul: None ♦ KQ54
HCP: 12 ♣ AJ42

West Bids 4♥ if possible.

West Bids 5♥ if possible.

You bid first.

Board: 85 ♠ 10
Dealer: S ♥ A10
Vul: EW ♦ K1073
HCP: 16 ♣ AKQ863

The opponents are silent.

Partner bids first.

Board: 86 ♠ AKQ5
Dealer: N ♥ Q987
Vul: EW ♦ 94
HCP: 14 ♣ QJ5

The opponents are silent.

You bid first.

Board: 87 ♠ 6
Dealer: S ♥ K103
Vul: EW ♦ AQJ754
HCP: 14 ♣ A97

East Doubles 3♠ if possible.

Partner bids first.

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Board: 84
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 5♥ W

North:
 ♠ Q1093
 ♥ 7
 ♦ KQ54
 ♣ AJ42

South:
 ♠ A5
 ♥ —
 ♦ AJ98763
 ♣ Q1083

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
4♥	5♦	Pass	Pass
5♥	AP		

1. Splinter

Board: 85
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 16
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 10
 ♥ A10
 ♦ K1073
 ♣ AKQ863

South:
 ♠ AK93
 ♥ KJ6
 ♦ J5
 ♣ 10542

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 86
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AKQ5
 ♥ Q987
 ♦ 94
 ♣ QJ5

South:
 ♠ 9
 ♥ J5
 ♦ AQ102
 ♣ AK10873

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 87
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ K103
 ♦ AQJ754
 ♣ A97

South:
 ♠ 743
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ K1093
 ♣ KJ52

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 84	♠ A5	West Bids 4♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ —	West Bids 5♥ if possible.
Vul: None	♦ AJ98763	
HCP: 11	♣ Q1083	Partner bids first.
Board: 85	♠ AK93	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ6	
Vul: EW	♦ J5	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 10542	
Board: 86	♠ 9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J5	
Vul: EW	♦ AQ102	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AK10873	
Board: 87	♠ 743	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ	
Vul: EW	♦ K1093	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KJ52	

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Board: 84
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 11
 Contract: 5♥ W

North:
 ♠ Q1093
 ♥ 7
 ♦ KQ54
 ♣ AJ42

South:
 ♠ A5
 ♥ —
 ♦ AJ98763
 ♣ Q1083

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
4♥	5♦	Pass	Pass
5♥	AP		

1. Splinter

Board: 85
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 16
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 10
 ♥ A10
 ♦ K1073
 ♣ AKQ863

South:
 ♠ AK93
 ♥ KJ6
 ♦ J5
 ♣ 10542

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 86
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ AKQ5
 ♥ Q987
 ♦ 94
 ♣ QJ5

South:
 ♠ 9
 ♥ J5
 ♦ AQ102
 ♣ AK10873

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♠ ²	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 87
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♦ S

North:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ K103
 ♦ AQJ754
 ♣ A97

South:
 ♠ 743
 ♥ AJ
 ♦ K1093
 ♣ KJ52

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 88	♠ 8542	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AK98	
Vul: None	♦ 106	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ3	

Board: 89	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K9	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ83	Partner bids first.
HCP: 16	♣ AJ7542	

Board: 90	♠ 952	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AKQ6	
Vul: None	♦ Q964	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K9	

Board: 91	♠ K106	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: NS	♦ AJ10872	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q72	

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Board: 88
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 16
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ 8542
♥ AK98
♦ 106
♣ KQ3

South:
♠ AK
♥ 2
♦ AJ2
♣ A876542

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 89
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 16
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ A
♥ K9
♦ KJ83
♣ AJ7542

South:
♠ K972
♥ Q43
♦ Q72
♣ KQ3

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 90
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ 952
♥ AKQ6
♦ Q964
♣ K9

South:
♠ A
♥ J85
♦ AKJ1075
♣ 643

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
5. A=0/5 or 3/5			

Board: 91
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ K106
♥ A
♦ AJ10872
♣ Q72

South:
♠ A97
♥ KQJ8
♦ Q943
♣ J3

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 88	♠ AK	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 2	
Vul: None	♦ AJ2	Partner bids first.
HCP: 16	♣ A876542	

Board: 89	♠ K972	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q43	
Vul: Both	♦ Q72	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ3	

Board: 90	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J85	
Vul: None	♦ AKJ1075	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 643	

Board: 91	♠ A97	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQJ8	
Vul: NS	♦ Q943	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ J3	

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Board: 88
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 16
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ 8542
♥ AK98
♦ 106
♣ KQ3

South:
♠ AK
♥ 2
♦ AJ2
♣ A876542

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♠ ⁴	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 89
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 16
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ A
♥ K9
♦ KJ83
♣ AJ7542

South:
♠ K972
♥ Q43
♦ Q72
♣ KQ3

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♠ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 90
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 6♦ N

North:
♠ 952
♥ AKQ6
♦ Q964
♣ K9

South:
♠ A
♥ J85
♦ AKJ1075
♣ 643

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♣ ⁵
Pass	6♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 91
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ K106
♥ A
♦ AJ10872
♣ Q72

South:
♠ A97
♥ KQJ8
♦ Q943
♣ J3

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 92	♠ J92	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A87	
Vul: EW	♦ AQ5	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K975	
Board: 93	♠ 7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ	
Vul: Both	♦ KQ53	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ KQ10952	
Board: 94	♠ A953	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ A752	
Vul: None	♦ K94	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J3	
Board: 95	♠ AK4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K64	
Vul: NS	♦ QJ8752	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 8	
Board: 96	♠ Q	West Bids 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ A985	East Bids 5♠ if possible.
Vul: NS	♦ A654	
HCP: 12	♣ Q762	You bid first.

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Board: 92
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ J92
♥ A87
♦ AQ5
♣ K975

South:
♠ —
♥ KJ2
♦ K842
♣ AJ10863

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♦ ⁵
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 93
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 7
♥ KJ
♦ KQ53
♣ KQ10952

South:
♠ AK43
♥ AQ97
♦ 74
♣ AJ7

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 94
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ A953
♥ A752
♦ K94
♣ J3

South:
♠ KJ7
♥ 9
♦ AQJ7632
♣ K4

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. artificial

Board: 95
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ AK4
♥ K64
♦ QJ8752
♣ 8

South:
♠ QJ83
♥ QJ2
♦ A1094
♣ K10

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter

Board: 96
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♠ X W

North:
♠ Q
♥ A985
♦ A654
♣ Q762

South:
♠ 3
♥ Q
♦ KQJ972
♣ AJ853

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
3♠	5♦	5♠	Pass
Pass	X	AP	

1. Splinter

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 92	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ2	
Vul: EW	♦ K842	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ AJ10863	

Board: 93	♠ AK43	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AQ97	
Vul: Both	♦ 74	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ AJ7	

Board: 94	♠ KJ7	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 9	
Vul: None	♦ AQJ7632	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ K4	

Board: 95	♠ QJ83	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ QJ2	
Vul: NS	♦ A1094	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K10	

Board: 96	♠ 3	West Bids 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	East Bids 5♠ if possible.
Vul: NS	♦ KQJ972	
HCP: 13	♣ AJ853	Partner bids first.

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Board: 92
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 12
Contract: 6♣ N

North:
♠ J92
♥ A87
♦ AQ5
♣ K975

South:
♠ —
♥ KJ2
♦ K842
♣ AJ10863

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	4NT ⁴	Pass	5♦ ⁵
Pass	6♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 93
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 18
Contract: 6♣ S

North:
♠ 7
♥ KJ
♦ KQ53
♣ KQ10952

South:
♠ AK43
♥ AQ97
♦ 74
♣ AJ7

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	Pass	6♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 94
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♦ N

North:
♠ A953
♥ A752
♦ K94
♣ J3

South:
♠ KJ7
♥ 9
♦ AQJ7632
♣ K4

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	5♦
	AP		

1. Splinter
2. artificial

Board: 95
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♦ S

North:
♠ AK4
♥ K64
♦ QJ8752
♣ 8

South:
♠ QJ83
♥ QJ2
♦ A1094
♣ K10

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	4♣ ¹	Pass	4♦
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter

Board: 96
Dealer: N
Vul: NS
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♠ X W

North:
♠ Q
♥ A985
♦ A654
♣ Q762

South:
♠ 3
♥ Q
♦ KQJ972
♣ AJ853

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♥ ¹
3♠	5♦	5♠	Pass
Pass	X	AP	

1. Splinter

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 97	♠ A4	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 9	
Vul: EW	♦ AK10854	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q632	
Board: 98	♠ A7	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ J1062	
Vul: Both	♦ A1064	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ K98	
Board: 99	♠ A6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 3	
Vul: Both	♦ A1096	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQ8742	
Board: 100	♠ AJ8	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ A653	
Vul: NS	♦ K76	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ J42	

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Board: 97

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ A4

♥ 9

♦ AK10854

♣ Q632

South:

♠ KJ87

♥ A2

♦ QJ73

♣ J84

West North East South

Pass 3♥¹ X 4♥²

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. artificial

Board: 98

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ A7

♥ J1062

♦ A1064

♣ K98

South:

♠ J

♥ AQ8

♦ KQJ987

♣ 743

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♣² Pass 4♥³

Pass 4♠⁴ Pass 5♦

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 99

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ A6

♥ 3

♦ A1096

♣ AQ8742

South:

♠ K97

♥ A94

♦ Q84

♣ KJ106

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 5♣

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 100

Dealer: N

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AJ8

♥ A653

♦ K76

♣ J42

South:

♠ 3

♥ QJ2

♦ A93

♣ AQ9875

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♥⁴ Pass 6♣

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 97	♠ KJ87	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ A2	
Vul: EW	♦ QJ73	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J84	

Board: 98	♠ J	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ8	
Vul: Both	♦ KQJ987	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 743	

Board: 99	♠ K97	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A94	
Vul: Both	♦ Q84	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ106	

Board: 100	♠ 3	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ QJ2	
Vul: NS	♦ A93	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ9875	

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Board: 97

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♦ S

North:

♠ A4

♥ 9

♦ AK10854

♣ Q632

South:

♠ KJ87

♥ A2

♦ QJ73

♣ J84

West North East South

Pass 3♥¹ X 4♥²

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. artificial

Board: 98

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ A7

♥ J1062

♦ A1064

♣ K98

South:

♠ J

♥ AQ8

♦ KQJ987

♣ 743

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♣² Pass 4♥³

Pass 4♠⁴ Pass 5♦

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 4. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 99

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ A6

♥ 3

♦ A1096

♣ AQ8742

South:

♠ K97

♥ A94

♦ Q84

♣ KJ106

West North East South

Pass 3♥¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 5♣

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 100

Dealer: N

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AJ8

♥ A653

♦ K76

♣ J42

South:

♠ 3

♥ QJ2

♦ A93

♣ AQ9875

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♥⁴ Pass 6♣

- AP
1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
 4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 101	♠ J	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK5	
Vul: NS	♦ Q108764	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ A93	
Board: 102	♠ A108	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K853	
Vul: EW	♦ A96	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K86	
Board: 103	♠ —	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ J93	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ64	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ AQJ965	
Board: 104	♠ KJ7	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ K863	
Vul: None	♦ Q94	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A86	

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Board: 101
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J
♥ AK5
♦ Q108764
♣ A93

South:
♠ A973
♥ 98
♦ AK95
♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6♦
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 102
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A108
♥ K853
♦ A96
♣ K86

South:
♠ Q32
♥ Q
♦ KQ5
♣ AJ10975

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 103
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ J93
♦ KJ64
♣ AQJ965

South:
♠ Q105
♥ AK52
♦ A7
♣ 10832

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 104
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ KJ7
♥ K863
♦ Q94
♣ A86

South:
♠ A10
♥ 4
♦ A1082
♣ KQ7432

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 101	♠ A973	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 98	
Vul: NS	♦ AK95	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ K82	
Board: 102	♠ Q32	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	
Vul: EW	♦ KQ5	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AJ10975	
Board: 103	♠ Q105	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AK52	
Vul: Both	♦ A7	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 10832	
Board: 104	♠ A10	West Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 4	
Vul: None	♦ A1082	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ7432	

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Board: 101
Dealer: S
Vul: NS
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 6♦ S

North:
♠ J
♥ AK5
♦ Q108764
♣ A93

South:
♠ A973
♥ 98
♦ AK95
♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6♦
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=1

Board: 102
Dealer: N
Vul: EW
North HCP: 14
South HCP: 14
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ A108
♥ K853
♦ A96
♣ K86

South:
♠ Q32
♥ Q
♦ KQ5
♣ AJ10975

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 103
Dealer: S
Vul: Both
North HCP: 12
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ S

North:
♠ —
♥ J93
♦ KJ64
♣ AQJ965

South:
♠ Q105
♥ AK52
♦ A7
♣ 10832

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♦ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 104
Dealer: N
Vul: None
North HCP: 13
South HCP: 13
Contract: 5♣ N

North:
♠ KJ7
♥ K863
♦ Q94
♣ A86

South:
♠ A10
♥ 4
♦ A1082
♣ KQ7432

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 105	♠ 10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q6	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ92	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ10832	

Board: 106	♠ J4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q432	
Vul: EW	♦ AK876	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A3	

Board: 107	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ QJ	
Vul: Both	♦ K98643	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ2	

Board: 108	♠ AJ10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A64	
Vul: EW	♦ K106	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 9643	

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Board: 105

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ 10

♥ Q6

♦ AJ92

♣ AQ10832

South:

♠ K543

♥ A87

♦ K86

♣ K96

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 106

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ J4

♥ Q432

♦ AK876

♣ A3

South:

♠ AQ5

♥ A

♦ QJ10432

♣ J94

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♣² Pass 4♥³

Pass 5♣⁴ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

4. surplus

Board: 107

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ 6

♥ QJ

♦ K98643

♣ AKJ2

South:

♠ AJ94

♥ A864

♦ A75

♣ 98

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♣⁴

Pass 5♦ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 108

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AJ10

♥ A64

♦ K106

♣ 9643

South:

♠ 6

♥ Q

♦ AJ753

♣ KQJ1052

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♠⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 105	♠ K543	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A87	
Vul: EW	♦ K86	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ K96	

Board: 106	♠ AQ5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A	
Vul: EW	♦ QJ10432	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ J94	

Board: 107	♠ AJ94	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A864	
Vul: Both	♦ A75	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 98	

Board: 108	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	
Vul: EW	♦ AJ753	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQJ1052	

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Board: 105

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ 10

♥ Q6

♦ AJ92

♣ AQ10832

South:

♠ K543

♥ A87

♦ K86

♣ K96

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 106

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ J4

♥ Q432

♦ AK876

♣ A3

South:

♠ AQ5

♥ A

♦ QJ10432

♣ J94

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♣² Pass 4♥³

Pass 5♣⁴ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

4. surplus

Board: 107

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ 6

♥ QJ

♦ K98643

♣ AKJ2

South:

♠ AJ94

♥ A864

♦ A75

♣ 98

West North East South

1♦

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♣⁴

Pass 5♦ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 108

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ AJ10

♥ A64

♦ K106

♣ 9643

South:

♠ 6

♥ Q

♦ AJ753

♣ KQJ1052

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♠⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 109	♠ KJ8	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 3	
Vul: None	♦ A63	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ9743	
Board: 110	♠ K105	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ K98	
Vul: NS	♦ KQ63	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ J43	
Board: 111	♠ Q73	East Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 965	
Vul: None	♦ —	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ AKQJ532	
Board: 112	♠ A8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 7654	
Vul: EW	♦ KJ9	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ A952	

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Board: 109

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ KJ8

♥ 3

♦ A63

♣ KQ9743

South:

♠ AQ53

♥ J104

♦ K5

♣ A1086

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ X 4♦²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 4NT⁴

Pass 5♠⁵ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 110

Dealer: N

Vul: NS

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ K105

♥ K98

♦ KQ63

♣ J43

South:

♠ A

♥ Q76

♦ A97542

♣ K92

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 111

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ Q73

♥ 965

♦ —

♣ AKQJ532

South:

♠ A1042

♥ KJ4

♦ A62

♣ 1074

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♦¹ X 4♦²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 112

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 15

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ A8

♥ 7654

♦ KJ9

♣ A952

South:

♠ KQJ

♥ J

♦ A84

♣ KJ10643

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♠⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 109	♠ AQ53	East Doubles 3♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ J104	
Vul: None	♦ K5	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A1086	
Board: 110	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q76	
Vul: NS	♦ A97542	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ K92	
Board: 111	♠ A1042	East Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ KJ4	
Vul: None	♦ A62	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 1074	
Board: 112	♠ KQJ	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J	
Vul: EW	♦ A84	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ KJ10643	

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Board: 109

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ KJ8

♥ 3

♦ A63

♣ KQ9743

South:

♠ AQ53

♥ J104

♦ K5

♣ A1086

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ X 4♦²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 4NT⁴

Pass 5♠⁵ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

Board: 110

Dealer: N

Vul: NS

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ K105

♥ K98

♦ KQ63

♣ J43

South:

♠ A

♥ Q76

♦ A97542

♣ K92

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 111

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ Q73

♥ 965

♦ —

♣ AKQJ532

South:

♠ A1042

♥ KJ4

♦ A62

♣ 1074

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♦¹ X 4♦²

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 112

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 15

Contract: 6♣ N

North:

♠ A8

♥ 7654

♦ KJ9

♣ A952

South:

♠ KQJ

♥ J

♦ A84

♣ KJ10643

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♠⁴ Pass 6♣

AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 113	♠ 5	East Bids 4♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ 72	
Vul: Both	♦ AQ104	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ875	

Board: 114	♠ KJ52	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A32	
Vul: None	♦ A42	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 942	

Board: 115	♠ K106	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 10	
Vul: NS	♦ Q7	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AKJ10743	

Board: 116	♠ AQ43	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ K103	
Vul: Both	♦ KJ65	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 84	

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Board: 113
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ 5
 ♥ 72
 ♦ AQ104
 ♣ AKJ875

South:
 ♠ KQJ
 ♥ J
 ♦ K975
 ♣ Q9432

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	4♥	Pass
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter

Board: 114
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ KJ52
 ♥ A32
 ♦ A42
 ♣ 942

South:
 ♠ A
 ♥ J6
 ♦ J1085
 ♣ AKQ1053

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 115
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ K106
 ♥ 10
 ♦ Q7
 ♣ AKJ10743

South:
 ♠ J9
 ♥ AQJ6
 ♦ K32
 ♣ Q862

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	5♣
	AP		

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 116
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ AQ43
 ♥ K103
 ♦ KJ65
 ♣ 84

South:
 ♠ —
 ♥ J8
 ♦ AQ7432
 ♣ AJ1053

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♥ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 113	♠ KQJ	East Bids 4♥ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ J	
Vul: Both	♦ K975	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q9432	
Board: 114	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J6	
Vul: None	♦ J1085	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AKQ1053	
Board: 115	♠ J9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AQJ6	
Vul: NS	♦ K32	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q862	
Board: 116	♠ —	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ J8	
Vul: Both	♦ AQ7432	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ AJ1053	

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Board: 113

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 14

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ 5

♥ 72

♦ AQ104

♣ AKJ875

South:

♠ KQJ

♥ J

♦ K975

♣ Q9432

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ 4♥ Pass

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

Board: 114

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 15

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ KJ52

♥ A32

♦ A42

♣ 942

South:

♠ A

♥ J6

♦ J1085

♣ AKQ1053

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 115

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ K106

♥ 10

♦ Q7

♣ AKJ10743

South:

♠ J9

♥ AQJ6

♦ K32

♣ Q862

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 116

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 12

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ AQ43

♥ K103

♦ KJ65

♣ 84

South:

♠ —

♥ J8

♦ AQ7432

♣ AJ1053

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♥² Pass 4♠³

Pass 5♦ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 117	♠ KJ9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: EW	♦ AK9763	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ 762	

Board: 118	♠ KQ82	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A97	
Vul: Both	♦ K75	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 752	

Board: 119	♠ A75	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ —	
Vul: None	♦ Q754	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ KQ10964	

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Board: 117
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 15
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ KJ9
 ♥ A
 ♦ AK9763
 ♣ 762

South:
 ♠ A6
 ♥ Q83
 ♦ QJ108
 ♣ K853

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 118
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ KQ82
 ♥ A97
 ♦ K75
 ♣ 752

South:
 ♠ A104
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A63
 ♣ AQJ983

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 119
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 19
 Contract: 6N S

North:
 ♠ A75
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q754
 ♣ KQ10964

South:
 ♠ KJ3
 ♥ AQ83
 ♦ AJ3
 ♣ A53

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6NT
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 117	♠ A6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q83	
Vul: EW	♦ QJ108	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ K853	

Board: 118	♠ A104	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 6	
Vul: Both	♦ A63	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AQJ983	

Board: 119	♠ KJ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AQ83	
Vul: None	♦ AJ3	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ A53	

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Board: 117
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 15
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ KJ9
 ♥ A
 ♦ AK9763
 ♣ 762

South:
 ♠ A6
 ♥ Q83
 ♦ QJ108
 ♣ K853

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 118
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ KQ82
 ♥ A97
 ♦ K75
 ♣ 752

South:
 ♠ A104
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A63
 ♣ AQJ983

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 119
 Dealer: S
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 11
 South HCP: 19
 Contract: 6N S

North:
 ♠ A75
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q754
 ♣ KQ10964

South:
 ♠ KJ3
 ♥ AQ83
 ♦ AJ3
 ♣ A53

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4♥ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
Pass	5♠ ⁵	Pass	6NT
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 120	♠ AK6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 1094	
Vul: Both	♦ Q753	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ4	

Board: 121	♠ K84	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: None	♦ J3	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AQJ10765	

Board: 122	♠ K752	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q643	
Vul: None	♦ AK	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 1032	

Board: 123	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 98	
Vul: EW	♦ KJ8653	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KQ87	

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Board: 120

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ AK6

♥ 1094

♦ Q753

♣ KJ4

South:

♠ 4

♥ KJ7

♦ AKJ10964

♣ Q3

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 121

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 15

South HCP: 19

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ K84

♥ A

♦ J3

♣ AQJ10765

South:

♠ A532

♥ K53

♦ AKQ

♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
	AP		

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 122

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ K752

♥ Q643

♦ AK

♣ 1032

South:

♠ AJ9

♥ 2

♦ J52

♣ AK9854

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 123

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ A

♥ 98

♦ KJ8653

♣ KQ87

South:

♠ 752

♥ AK75

♦ Q974

♣ A6

West	North	East	South
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			1♦
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Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
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Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
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Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6♦
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AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 120	♠ 4	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KJ7	
Vul: Both	♦ AKJ10964	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ Q3	
Board: 121	♠ A532	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ K53	
Vul: None	♦ AKQ	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ K82	
Board: 122	♠ AJ9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 2	
Vul: None	♦ J52	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK9854	
Board: 123	♠ 752	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AK75	
Vul: EW	♦ Q974	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A6	

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Board: 120

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ AK6

♥ 1094

♦ Q753

♣ KJ4

South:

♠ 4

♥ KJ7

♦ AKJ10964

♣ Q3

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	AP	

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 121

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 15

South HCP: 19

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ K84

♥ A

♦ J3

♣ AQJ10765

South:

♠ A532

♥ K53

♦ AKQ

♣ K82

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♣ ⁴
	AP		

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

Board: 122

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ K752

♥ Q643

♦ AK

♣ 1032

South:

♠ AJ9

♥ 2

♦ J52

♣ AK9854

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 123

Dealer: S

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ A

♥ 98

♦ KJ8653

♣ KQ87

South:

♠ 752

♥ AK75

♦ Q974

♣ A6

West	North	East	South
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			1♦
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Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♣ ²
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Pass	4♠ ³	Pass	4NT ⁴
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Pass	5♥ ⁵	Pass	6♦
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AP

1. Splinter
2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper
4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦
5. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 124	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ82	
Vul: Both	♦ AJ109	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q743	
Board: 125	♠ KJ2	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q104	
Vul: None	♦ AQJ654	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 6	
Board: 126	♠ KQ42	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ QJ87	
Vul: EW	♦ 765	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ A3	
Board: 127	♠ K	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ J	
Vul: NS	♦ K8642	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AQ10732	

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Board: 124

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ 6

♥ AQ82

♦ AJ109

♣ Q743

South:

♠ J32

♥ —

♦ KQ8753

♣ AJ82

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 5♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 125

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 18

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ KJ2

♥ Q104

♦ AQJ654

♣ 6

South:

♠ AQ9

♥ AJ8

♦ K732

♣ A75

West North East South

1♦

Pass 4♣¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 4NT⁴

Pass 5♦⁵ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 126

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 10

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ KQ42

♥ QJ87

♦ 765

♣ A3

South:

♠ —

♥ 43

♦ AKQ1098

♣ J10954

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♣² Pass 5♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

Board: 127

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 19

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ K

♥ J

♦ K8642

♣ AQ10732

South:

♠ AQJ5

♥ KQ96

♦ A10

♣ K96

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♣⁴

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 124	♠ J32	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ —	
Vul: Both	♦ KQ8753	Partner bids first.
HCP: 11	♣ AJ82	
Board: 125	♠ AQ9	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ8	
Vul: None	♦ K732	You bid first.
HCP: 18	♣ A75	
Board: 126	♠ —	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 43	
Vul: EW	♦ AKQ1098	Partner bids first.
HCP: 10	♣ J10954	
Board: 127	♠ AQJ5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ KQ96	
Vul: NS	♦ A10	You bid first.
HCP: 19	♣ K96	

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Board: 124

Dealer: N

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 11

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ 6

♥ AQ82

♦ AJ109

♣ Q743

South:

♠ J32

♥ —

♦ KQ8753

♣ AJ82

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♥¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 5♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 125

Dealer: S

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 18

Contract: 6♦ S

North:

♠ KJ2

♥ Q104

♦ AQJ654

♣ 6

South:

♠ AQ9

♥ AJ8

♦ K732

♣ A75

West North East South

1♦

Pass 4♣¹ Pass 4♥²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 4NT⁴

Pass 5♦⁵ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

4. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

5. A=1/5 or 4/5

Board: 126

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 12

South HCP: 10

Contract: 5♦ N

North:

♠ KQ42

♥ QJ87

♦ 765

♣ A3

South:

♠ —

♥ 43

♦ AKQ1098

♣ J10954

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

X 4♣² Pass 5♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper

Board: 127

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 19

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ K

♥ J

♦ K8642

♣ AQ10732

South:

♠ AQJ5

♥ KQ96

♦ A10

♣ K96

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♥¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♣⁴

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=0/5 or 3/5

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 128	♠ A42	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ QJ3	
Vul: EW	♦ K62	
HCP: 14	♣ A532	You bid first.

Board: 129	♠ 6	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 63	
Vul: NS	♦ AK94	
HCP: 14	♣ AK9872	Partner bids first.

Board: 130	♠ QJ3	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AK96	
Vul: Both	♦ K42	
HCP: 14	♣ J94	You bid first.

Board: 131	♠ 8	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 62	
Vul: Both	♦ K983	
HCP: 13	♣ AKQJ73	Partner bids first.

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Board: 128
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ A42
 ♥ QJ3
 ♦ K62
 ♣ A532

South:
 ♠ Q76
 ♥ AK7
 ♦ 10
 ♣ KJ10986

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 129
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ 63
 ♦ AK94
 ♣ AK9872

South:
 ♠ K1085
 ♥ AJ98
 ♦ Q10
 ♣ Q54

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 130
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ QJ3
 ♥ AK96
 ♦ K42
 ♣ J94

South:
 ♠ AK5
 ♥ Q
 ♦ Q103
 ♣ A108532

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 131
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 8
 ♥ 62
 ♦ K983
 ♣ AKQJ73

South:
 ♠ KQ106
 ♥ AJ107
 ♦ Q7
 ♣ 864

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 128	♠ Q76	West Doubles 3♦ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ AK7	
Vul: EW	♦ 10	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ KJ10986	
Board: 129	♠ K1085	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ98	
Vul: NS	♦ Q10	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q54	
Board: 130	♠ AK5	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q	
Vul: Both	♦ Q103	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ A108532	
Board: 131	♠ KQ106	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AJ107	
Vul: Both	♦ Q7	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ 864	

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Board: 128
 Dealer: N
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ A42
 ♥ QJ3
 ♦ K62
 ♣ A532

South:
 ♠ Q76
 ♥ AK7
 ♦ 10
 ♣ KJ10986

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♦ ¹
X	4♦ ²	Pass	5♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			

Board: 129
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 6
 ♥ 63
 ♦ AK94
 ♣ AK9872

South:
 ♠ K1085
 ♥ AJ98
 ♦ Q10
 ♣ Q54

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 130
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 14
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ QJ3
 ♥ AK96
 ♦ K42
 ♣ J94

South:
 ♠ AK5
 ♥ Q
 ♦ Q103
 ♣ A108532

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♥ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper			

Board: 131
 Dealer: S
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ 8
 ♥ 62
 ♦ K983
 ♣ AKQJ73

South:
 ♠ KQ106
 ♥ AJ107
 ♦ Q7
 ♣ 864

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♠ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♦ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 132	♠ Q653	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ Q643	
Vul: None	♦ K7	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ4	

Board: 133	♠ AQ	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A	
Vul: EW	♦ 654	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ QJ109842	

Board: 134	♠ AKJ	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ KQ108	
Vul: NS	♦ 76	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 8432	

Board: 135	♠ 3	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ AK2	
Vul: NS	♦ QJ10972	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ K62	

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Board: 132
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ Q653
 ♥ Q643
 ♦ K7
 ♣ KQ4

South:
 ♠ A
 ♥ A105
 ♦ QJ4
 ♣ A109763

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 133
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ AQ
 ♥ A
 ♦ 654
 ♣ QJ109842

South:
 ♠ K109
 ♥ J76
 ♦ AQ7
 ♣ A765

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 134
 Dealer: N
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AKJ
 ♥ KQ108
 ♦ 76
 ♣ 8432

South:
 ♠ 7
 ♥ J9
 ♦ KJ105
 ♣ AKQJ76

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 135
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ AK2
 ♦ QJ10972
 ♣ K62

South:
 ♠ K52
 ♥ Q3
 ♦ AK8653
 ♣ J8

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. artificial			

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 132	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ A105	
Vul: None	♦ QJ4	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ A109763	
Board: 133	♠ K109	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ J76	
Vul: EW	♦ AQ7	You bid first.
HCP: 14	♣ A765	
Board: 134	♠ 7	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J9	
Vul: NS	♦ KJ105	Partner bids first.
HCP: 15	♣ AKQJ76	
Board: 135	♠ K52	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ Q3	
Vul: NS	♦ AK8653	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ J8	

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Board: 132
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 5♣ N

North:
 ♠ Q653
 ♥ Q643
 ♦ K7
 ♣ KQ4

South:
 ♠ A
 ♥ A105
 ♦ QJ4
 ♣ A109763

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♦ ²	Pass	4♥ ³
Pass	5♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			

Board: 133
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 14
 Contract: 6♣ S

North:
 ♠ AQ
 ♥ A
 ♦ 654
 ♣ QJ109842

South:
 ♠ K109
 ♥ J76
 ♦ AQ7
 ♣ A765

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♦ ²
Pass	4NT ³	Pass	5♠ ⁴
Pass	6♣	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=1			

Board: 134
 Dealer: N
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 15
 Contract: 6♣ N

North:
 ♠ AKJ
 ♥ KQ108
 ♦ 76
 ♣ 8432

South:
 ♠ 7
 ♥ J9
 ♦ KJ105
 ♣ AKQJ76

West	North	East	South
	1♣	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♥ ²	Pass	4NT ³
Pass	5♦ ⁴	Pass	6♣
AP			
1. Splinter			
2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper			
3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣			
4. A=1/5 or 4/5			

Board: 135
 Dealer: S
 Vul: NS
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ S

North:
 ♠ 3
 ♥ AK2
 ♦ QJ10972
 ♣ K62

South:
 ♠ K52
 ♥ Q3
 ♦ AK8653
 ♣ J8

West	North	East	South
			1♦
Pass	3♠ ¹	X	4♠ ²
Pass	5♦	AP	
1. Splinter			
2. artificial			

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 136	♠ AK72	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ AQ62	
Vul: None	♦ 764	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 73	

Board: 137	♠ —	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ 1093	
Vul: NS	♦ K1084	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AKQJ107	

Board: 138	♠ QJ64	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J42	
Vul: EW	♦ AK4	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ Q108	

Board: 139	♠ 8	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ K	
Vul: Both	♦ AK65	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ QJ109863	

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Board: 136

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ AK72

♥ AQ62

♦ 764

♣ 73

South:

♠ Q

♥ J5

♦ KQ10532

♣ AQ96

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♥⁴ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 137

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ —

♥ 1093

♦ K1084

♣ AKQJ107

South:

♠ K42

♥ AQ74

♦ A65

♣ 863

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 138

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ QJ64

♥ J42

♦ AK4

♣ Q108

South:

♠ A10

♥ 865

♦ Q

♣ AKJ6532

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♦¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 139

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ 8

♥ K

♦ AK65

♣ QJ109863

South:

♠ KQ74

♥ A972

♦ 72

♣ A54

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ X 4♥²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♥⁴

Pass 6♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 136	♠ Q	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ J5	
Vul: None	♦ KQ10532	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AQ96	
Board: 137	♠ K42	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ AQ74	
Vul: NS	♦ A65	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ 863	
Board: 138	♠ A10	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 865	
Vul: EW	♦ Q	Partner bids first.
HCP: 14	♣ AKJ6532	
Board: 139	♠ KQ74	East Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: S	♥ A972	
Vul: Both	♦ 72	You bid first.
HCP: 13	♣ A54	

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Board: 136

Dealer: N

Vul: None

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 6♦ N

North:

♠ AK72

♥ AQ62

♦ 764

♣ 73

South:

♠ Q

♥ J5

♦ KQ10532

♣ AQ96

West North East South

1♦ Pass 3♠¹

Pass 4♥² Pass 4NT³

Pass 5♥⁴ Pass 6♦

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♦

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(D)=0

Board: 137

Dealer: S

Vul: NS

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 5♣ S

North:

♠ —

♥ 1093

♦ K1084

♣ AKQJ107

South:

♠ K42

♥ AQ74

♦ A65

♣ 863

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ Pass 4♦²

Pass 4♠³ Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 138

Dealer: N

Vul: EW

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 14

Contract: 5♣ N

North:

♠ QJ64

♥ J42

♦ AK4

♣ Q108

South:

♠ A10

♥ 865

♦ Q

♣ AKJ6532

West North East South

1♣ Pass 3♦¹

Pass 4♦² Pass 5♣

AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♦ stopper

Board: 139

Dealer: S

Vul: Both

North HCP: 13

South HCP: 13

Contract: 6♣ S

North:

♠ 8

♥ K

♦ AK65

♣ QJ109863

South:

♠ KQ74

♥ A972

♦ 72

♣ A54

West North East South

1♣

Pass 3♠¹ X 4♥²

Pass 4NT³ Pass 5♥⁴

Pass 6♣ AP

1. Splinter

2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

3. Blackwood 0314, for ♣

4. A=2/5 or 5/5, Q(C)=0

North hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 140	♠ KQ	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ 1075	
Vul: None	♦ K752	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ A982	
Board: 141	♠ 52	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ Q	
Vul: EW	♦ A1043	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ AK9865	
Board: 142	♠ KQ65	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 9872	
Vul: Both	♦ QJ6	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ A9	

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Board: 140
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ KQ
 ♥ 1075
 ♦ K752
 ♣ A982

South:
 ♠ A
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ AQ9864
 ♣ 6543

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 141
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ 52
 ♥ Q
 ♦ A1043
 ♣ AK9865

South:
 ♠ A863
 ♥ A953
 ♦ Q9
 ♣ Q32

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 142
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ KQ65
 ♥ 9872
 ♦ QJ6
 ♣ A9

South:
 ♠ —
 ♥ 1053
 ♦ AK10983
 ♣ KQ74

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

South hands (Practice Page)

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Board: 140	♠ A	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: N	♥ QJ	
Vul: None	♦ AQ9864	Partner bids first.
HCP: 13	♣ 6543	
Board: 141	♠ A863	The opponents are silent.
Dealer: S	♥ A953	
Vul: EW	♦ Q9	You bid first.
HCP: 12	♣ Q32	
Board: 142	♠ —	West Doubles 3♠ if possible.
Dealer: N	♥ 1053	
Vul: Both	♦ AK10983	Partner bids first.
HCP: 12	♣ KQ74	

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Board: 140
 Dealer: N
 Vul: None
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 13
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ KQ
 ♥ 1075
 ♦ K752
 ♣ A982

South:
 ♠ A
 ♥ QJ
 ♦ AQ9864
 ♣ 6543

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
Pass	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper

Board: 141
 Dealer: S
 Vul: EW
 North HCP: 13
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♣ S

North:
 ♠ 52
 ♥ Q
 ♦ A1043
 ♣ AK9865

South:
 ♠ A863
 ♥ A953
 ♦ Q9
 ♣ Q32

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	3♥ ¹	Pass	4♥ ²
Pass	5♣	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♥ stopper

Board: 142
 Dealer: N
 Vul: Both
 North HCP: 12
 South HCP: 12
 Contract: 5♦ N

North:
 ♠ KQ65
 ♥ 9872
 ♦ QJ6
 ♣ A9

South:
 ♠ —
 ♥ 1053
 ♦ AK10983
 ♣ KQ74

West	North	East	South
	1♦	Pass	3♠ ¹
X	4♣ ²	Pass	4♠ ³
Pass	5♦	AP	

1. Splinter
 2. Cue bid, a ♣ stopper
 3. Cue bid, a ♠ stopper