

**Board 1**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 5  
♥ 4 3 2  
♦ T 8 6 5  
♣ 9 8 6 3

♠ 9 7

♥ A K 9 6  
♦ A Q 9 7 4  
♣ A 5

	N	
W		E
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♠ T 8 4 2  
♥ Q J  
♦ J 3 2  
♣ T 7 4 2

♠ A K Q J 3  
♥ T 8 7 5  
♦ K  
♣ K Q J

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

6♥ by South

## Baker Roman 13

Your 2♥ bid is a Reverse, showing 17+ points.

There has been no agreement on trumps, so you assume that South has implicitly agreed to ♥s. So you respond 5♣, showing 4 Key-Cards, three Aces and the ♥K. Partner next bids 5♦. What do you say?

5♦ is the Queen Ask. Partner obviously is thinking about a Grand Slam and wants to know whether you hold the trump Queen (♥Q). Since you do not have the card you return to the agreed trump suit at the lowest level - which is 5♥. Partner now bids 6♥.

**Board 2**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 6 3

♥ A K 9 8 6 5

♦ K

♣ A 3 2

♠ Q T 4 2

♥ 4 2

♦ 6

♣ Q J T 8 6 4

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	S	

♠ K 7

♥ Q J 3

♦ A Q J T 8 7 5

♣ K

♠ J 9 8 5

♥ T 7

♦ 9 4 3 2

♣ 9 7 5

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	Pass	5NT	Pass
6♦	Pass	7NT	All Pass

7NT by East

**Baker Roman 14**

The bidding has been as shown. Yes, you could have jump-shifted on your first bid. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

Slam in ♥s is almost certain, but you should check for Key-Cards. You bid 4NT and partner says 5♣. What do you bid next?

Partner shows 1 or 4 Key-cards. Since he jumped on the second round you figure it must be 4. So you have all the Key-Cards. Time to find out about the other Kings, so you bid 5NT. Partner replies 6♦. What do you bid?

Partner has 1 King, the only one left, the ♦ K. You can count about 17 high-card tricks available so you bid 7NT.

**Board 3**

South Deals      ♠ -  
 E-W Vul      ♥ A T 9 6  
                   ♦ K Q J 7 4  
                   ♣ J T 8 3  
 ♠ A K 9 5 4 3 2  
 ♥ 7 2  
 ♦ 9 6 2  
 ♣ 2

♠ Q J 7  
 ♥ 5 4  
 ♦ A 8 5 3  
 ♣ 9 7 5 4

N  
W      E  
S

♠ T 8 6  
 ♥ K Q J 8 3  
 ♦ T  
 ♣ A K Q 6

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

**Baker Roman 15**

Your 3♠ bid is a Splinter, agreeing ♥s as trump, and showing opening hand strength with a singleton or void in ♠s. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

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You have one Key-Card, the ♥A. You also have a ♠ void, but since bidding 6♠ would take you above the 6♥ level you just respond 6♥. Partner will deduce that your void is in ♠s, particularly because you Splintered in that suit. Partner passes your 6♥ bid.

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 9 6 5

♥ A K

♦ 8 7 5

♣ A 5

♠ 7

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q T 9 6 2

♣ Q 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A T 8 4 3

♥ Q T 8 4

♦ -

♣ K J T 2

♠ 2

♥ J 9 7 2

♦ K J 4 3

♣ 9 7 6 4

West	North	East	South
			Pass
1♠	Pass	4♦	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♦	Pass
7♠	All Pass		

7 ♠ by West

**Baker Roman 16**

Partner's 4♦ bid is a Splinter Bid. It shows opening hand strength, at least 4-card ♠ support, and a singleton or void in ♦s. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

Normally you would not ask for Key-Cards with this ♦ holding. But since you know partner has at most a singleton, and that it is not the singleton ♦A, you are safe to do so. You say 4NT, partner replies 6♦. What next?

WOW! Partner has one Key-Card and a ♦ void. So the Key-Card is the ♠A. You don't know what the rest of partner's hand is, but he can surely take care of that small ♣. You bid 7♠.