

Deal 1
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ A 9 8 5 4
 ♥ 8 4
 ♦ K 10 3
 ♣ Q 7 5

9
8
14

N
W E
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♠ K Q J 7
 ♥ 10 7
 ♦ A 9 7 6
 ♣ A 10 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 NT
1 NT by South			

♠ 6 2
 ♥ A Q J 3
 ♦ J 8 4
 ♣ J 9 8 2

♠ 10 3
 ♥ K 9 6 5 2
 ♦ Q 5 2
 ♣ K 6 3

NORTH has 9 points a a

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suit - good enough to make a

Negative Double over WEST's 1â™ overcall.

But SOUTH doesn't have

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s, she has â™ s and

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s, so she bids 1 NT to show

her â™ stopper and a minimum opener.

NORTH should pass.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 7

♥ J 8 7

♦ A K 8 6

♣ K 10 4

♠ 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q 3 2

♣ A Q J 6 5 3



♠ J 10 8

♥ A K Q 10 5 2

♦ J 5 4

♣ 7

♠ A K 6 4 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 10 9 7

♣ 9 8 2

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 9 11
 7

West

North

East

South

1 ♦

1 ♥

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass
2 ♠ by South

With five ♠'s SOUTH bids the suit rather than making a negative double.

NORTH knows this shows a 5-card suit so he can support with only three ♠'s.

SOUTH doesn't have anything extra so she passes 2♦.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

<p>♠ Q 8 ♥ J 6 4 ♦ A 5 ♣ K Q J 10 9 8</p>		<p>♠ K 9 6 2 ♥ A Q 5 3 ♦ 8 4 ♣ A 6 2</p>
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<p>13 13 1 13</p>	<p>♠ A J 7 ♥ K 9 8 7 ♦ K Q 7 6 ♣ 5 4</p>
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West	North	East	South
2 ♣	Dbl	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	2 ♥
Pass			Pass
4 ♥ by South			

NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

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first, (up-the-line).

After WEST's overcall, NORTH makes a Negative Double, showing both Majors and at least 10 points to

make a 2-level Negative Double.

SOUTH bids 2

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, showing a 4-card suit and minimum opening hand. Notice

that this is not a Reverse by SOUTH, showing extra strength. She is not really bidding

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s on her own, she is supporting partner's suit.

NORTH has 13 points so he bids 4

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Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ 6
 ♥ A Q 10 5 2
 ♦ 9 7 3
 ♣ A Q 9 2

8
 12 7
 13

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♠ A K 8 2
 ♥ 9 6 3
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ 8 6 5 3

♠ 10 9 4 3
 ♥ K J 4
 ♦ K 5 4 2
 ♣ 7 4

♠ Q J 7 5
 ♥ 8 7
 ♦ A Q 8 6
 ♣ K J 10

West North East South
 1 ♥ Dbl 2 ♥ 1 ♦
 Pass Pass Pass 2 ♠
 2 ♠ by South

NORTH has 8 points and she makes a Negative Double of the

â™

overcall

to show exactly four â™ s.

SOUTH also has four â™ s so he bids 2â™ at his turn to show a minimum.

NORTH is happy to pass.