

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 7 6 5

♥ 8 5

♦ A 9 5 2

♣ A J 9

♠ A Q J

♥ K J

♦ Q 7 6 4

♣ Q 6 5 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 3

♥ 7 4 2

♦ K J T 8 3

♣ K T 2

♠ K T 4 2
 ♥ A Q T 9 6 3
 ♦ -
 ♣ 8 7 4

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

4♥ by South

Baker Stayman 11

This is the follow-up to Deal T. North opens 1NT.

What do you respond?

Just like the previous deal with a 4-card Major you use Stayman. This time partner says 2♦. Your turn again.

With partner showing no 4-card Major the bidding takes a turn. With your 6 ♥s you are sure of an 8-card fit in the suit. With 11 points you must be sure of reaching game. So you bid 4♥.

In this case the strong hand does not become declarer, but the contract is the right one anyway.

Board 2South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 5
♥ J T 6
♦ K 8 2
♣ J 9 6 3

♠ 8 3

♥ K Q 7 4
♦ 7 6 4 3

♣ A 8 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 9 7 6
♥ 9 8 5 2
♦ A T
♣ T 5 4

♠ K T 4 2
♥ A 3
♦ Q J 9 5
♣ K Q 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

2 NT by North

Baker Stayman 12

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

Partner has commanded you to bid a 4-card Major if you have one. You have one, so you bid 2♠. Partner now says 2NT. What do you bid?

Partner evidently has 4 ♥s. He also evidently has about 9 points since he is INVITING you to bid 3NT. With your minimum 15 points you decline the invitation by passing.

Board 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 7 6 4
♥ 7 5 4 2
♦ A 7 4
♣ T 5

♠ J T 8 3

♥ J T 8 6

♦ K T

♣ A 8 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 5
♥ K Q
♦ 8 6 3 2
♣ J 9 6 3 2

♠ K Q 2
♥ A 9 3
♦ Q J 9 5
♣ K Q 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

Baker Stayman 13

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

With no 4-card Major you reply 2♦. What do you bid after partner next says 2NT?

Partner seems to have about 9 points and is inviting you to say 3NT. Since you have a maximum 17 point hand you accept the invitation.

Board 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 3
♥ K J T 4
♦ T 8 7 4
♣ 9 8 4

♠ K T 8 5

♥ 9 8 5 2
♦ A 9 3

♣ Q 5

N
W E
S

♠ J 9 4

♥ A 7
♦ 6 5 2

♣ K T 6 3 2

♠ Q 7 6 2
♥ Q 6 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A J 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

3 ♠ by North

Baker Stayman 14

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

You bid 2♠. Partner next says 3♠. What do you say now?

Considering the bidding you have done so far you couldn't have a worse hand. With 4-3-3-3 distribution and a bare 15 points you most certainly don't want to accept any invitation from partner. So you pass. As you see, 9 tricks are not going to come easily.

Board 5

South Deals
None Vul

♠ K 5
♥ Q 6 4
♦ 9 7 6 3 2
♣ 8 5 2

♠ Q T 9 3

♥ K 8 7 3

♦ A 5

♣ 7 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A 8 7 4
♥ J 2
♦ T 8
♣ K J T 9 3

♠ J 6 2

♥ A T 9 5

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A Q

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

4♥ by South

Baker Stayman 15

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

You respond 2♥. Partner now says 3♥. What do you bid?

Partner has told you he has 4 ♥s and approximately 9 points. Add that to your 4 ♥s and 17 points and the total equals a game bid in ♥s. So you say 4♥.