Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

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              ♠ A K 5
              ♥ T 7 4 3
              ♦ A 9 8 2
              ♣ K Q
♠ Q J 8                      ♠ T 9 3 2
♥ 6 2            N            ♥ Q J 9 5
♦ T 5 4 3   W       E        ♦ J 7 6
♣ 9 8 5 2       S            ♣ 6 3
              ♠ 7 6 4
              ♥ A K 8
              ♦ K Q
              ♣ A J T 7 4
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West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6 NT by South

This is another example of "She who knows, goes."

SOUTH has a solid 18 points, (1 extra for the fifth Club), so when NORTH opens 1NT

she

KNOWS

that together they must hold at least 33 points. The may even have 35 points.

In any case they should be in slam, so SOUTH
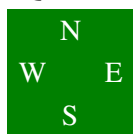
GOES

to 6NT.

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

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              ♠ T 6 3
              ♥ T 8 5
              ♦ A 7 3
              ♣ Q 9 8 5
♠ Q 7 4                        ♠ A 8 5 2
♥ K J 9 7 4        N           ♥ 6 3 2
♦ 6            W       E       ♦ T 8 4 2
♣ 7 6 3 2          S           ♣ A J
              ♠ K J 9
              ♥ A Q
              ♦ K Q J 9 5
              ♣ K T 4
```

West	North	East	South
		Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

SOUTH has 20 points, counting one extra for the fifth Diamond. Just right to open 2NT.

NORTH has 6 points, just enough to bid 3NT.

(20 + 6 = 26) (21 + 6 = 27)

Board 3

South Deals

None Vul

```
              ♠ K J 9 2
              ♥ A 9 8
              ♦ Q T 8
              ♣ K Q J
♠ 7 6 4                      ♠ A 8 5
♥ 5 4 3          N           ♥ Q J 7 2
♦ K 6 5 2    W     E         ♦ J 7 3
♣ A 9 6          S           ♣ 8 4 3
              ♠ Q T 3
              ♥ K T 6
              ♦ A 9 4
              ♣ T 7 5 2
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West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1NT	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

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After SOUTH passes initially, NORTH opens 1NT.

With 9 points, SOUTH has invitational strength, so he says 2NT.

NORTH has a small problem - SOUTH's bid tells her to bid 3NT with 17 points, but to pass

with 15 points. Her problem is that she has 16! Since it looks to her like a "good" 16 points

she bids 3NT. If those 10's and 9's had been 4's and 3's she would have passed.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

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                    ♠ A 7
                    ♥ A 8 4
                    ♦ K T 6
                    ♣ K J 7 4 2
♠ J 8 5                              ♠ T 6 4 2
♥ 7 6 5 2            N                ♥ J 9 3
♦ 9 8 4 2        W       E            ♦ Q 5 3
♣ A 5               S                ♣ 9 6 3
                    ♠ K Q 9 3
                    ♥ K Q T
                    ♦ A J 7
                    ♣ Q T 8
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West	North	East	South
		Pass	1NT
Pass	4NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6 NT by South

SOUTH has a great 1NT hand - 17 points and 4-3-3-3 shape.

NORTH has 16 points; he figures it is possible that SOUTH can make a slam, but only

if she has a 17 point opener. So he bids 4NT, expecting SOUTH to bid 6NT if she has 17 points

but to pass if she has fewer.

He figured right - SOUTH had 17 points so she bid 6NT.

Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 7 4
♥ Q 9 6
♦ K Q 5 2
♣ K J 8

♠ J T 9 6 5 3 2
♥ J 4 3
♦ 3
♣ A 4

N
W   E
S

♠ Q
♥ T 8 7 2
♦ J T 9 7 6 4
♣ 7 5

♠ K 8
♥ A K 5
♦ A 8
♣ Q T 9 6 3 2

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6 NT by South

SOUTH definitely does NOT have a balanced hand. She has two doubletons and a

6-card Club suit.

But she DOES have 18 points, (two extra for the fifth and sixth Clubs), and her 18 added to

NORTH's minimum of 15 is enough to bid 6NT.

Notice how easy this will be to play once that Club suit is established.