

**Board 1**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 6 4

♥ Q 8

♦ A J T 8 3 2

♣ T 4

♠ K 9 8 3

♥ 7 6

♦ K Q 5

♣ A J 7 6



♠ T 7 5

♥ J T 9 5 2

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 5 3

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

3 NT by North

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NORTH has 13 points but has no bid over 1

SOUTH can make a Takeout Double, so he does.

NORTH now cue-bids

to show opening hand strength.

SOUTH shows his

suit, NORTH doesn't like it.

NORTH shows her suit, SOUTH doesn't like it.

SOUTH shows his suit, NORTH likes it fine, but decides 3NT will be easier than 5 .

**Board 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 8  
♥ K J T 9 4  
♦ T 9  
♣ A 8 7 4 3

♠ 9 6

♥ Q 6 5

♦ J 7 5 4

♣ K T 6 2

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♠ K Q 5 3 2  
♥ 8 2  
♦ K Q 3 2  
♣ Q J

♠ A J T 7 4  
♥ A 7 3  
♦ A 8 6  
♣ 9 5

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

All Pass

1 ♠ by East

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SOUTH would have had a great opening 1 bid. But when EAST opened 1

in front of him he was hornswaggled. He couldn't bid any other suit, he couldn't bid 1NT

and he sure couldn't bid So he must pass.

And so does everybody else pass.

**Board 3**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T
♥ A T 8 3
♦ J T 7 5 2
♣ K J T

♠ A 8 2

♥ J 5 2

♦ K 9 8 6

♣ 7 5 3

N
W
E
S

♠ 6 4
♥ K Q 9 6
♦ A 4
♣ A Q 9 8 4

♠ K Q J 9 7 5 3

♥ 7 4

♦ Q 3

♣ 6 2

West

North

East

South

1♣

3♠

All Pass

3♠ by South

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If East had passed, SOUTH would have opened with a preemptive 3 .

She should make the same bid with the same hand AFTER the opponents open. And she makes it

for the same reason, to describe her hand and to take away bidding space from the opponents.

NORTH treats it just like a Preemptive 3-bid, even though it is now called a Weak Jump Overcall.

In this case, NORTH passes.

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A J T 8 5
♥ 6 3
♦ A J T 8 5
♣ 3

♠ Q 9 6 3

♥ K T 7 2

♦ 9 2

♣ Q 7 2

N
W
E
S

♠ K 7 2
♥ Q J 5 4
♦ 6 3
♣ 9 8 6 4

♠ 4
♥ A 9 8
♦ K Q 7 4
♣ A K J T 5

West	North	East	South
			1♣

1♠      All Pass

1 ♠ by West

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 WEST has 12 points, but with two 5-card suits  
 worthy of an overcall. There isn't really a

right and wrong here, but it usually works out best to  
 overcall in the higher-ranking suit. That

leaves open the possibility of bidding the second suit  
 later.

In this Deal, after WEST overcalls 1 that later  
 possibility never happens because

everybody should pass.