

Deal 1
South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 9 5
♥ A Q 10
♦ J 2
♣ J 10 7 6 4

10 9
4
♣ 9 2

♠ K J 8 7 4
♥ K 7 2
♦ A 9 5
♣ A Q

♠ 10 2
♥ J 6 4
♦ K Q 10 7
♣ K 8 5 3

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West North East South
Pass 1 ♠ Pass Pass
Pass
1 ♠ by North

SOUTH has a terrible hand, and naturally passes.

NORTH, however, has a nice 18 points and opens 1 \hat{a} TM.

SOUTH still has a terrible hand, and passes again. You need at least 6 points to respond to

an opening one bid.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 9 6 3
 ♥ K Q 4
 ♦ 9 6 4 2
 ♣ A 7

6
 9 16
 9

West
 2 ♠
 4 ♠
 4 ♠ by East

♠ A
 ♥ J 9 8 5 3
 ♦ J
 ♣ 10 9 5 4 3 2

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♠ K Q J 5 4
 ♥ A 7
 ♦ K Q 5
 ♣ J 8 6

♠ 8 7 2
 ♥ 10 6 2
 ♦ A 10 8 7 3
 ♣ K Q

North *East* *South*
 Pass 1 ♠ Pass
 Pass 3 ♠ Pass
 Pass Pass Pass

EAST has 17 points and might open 1 NT.
 But with the 5-card Major suit she prefers
 to open 1 \hat{a} TM.

WEST has good \hat{a} TM support and 10
 points, counting 1 for the doubleton \hat{a} TM£.

It is easily worth a raise to 2 \hat{a} TM

EAST cannot bid game yet, after all,
 WEST could have as few as 6 points. But
 she can

continue with a 3 \hat{a} TM bid in hopes that
 WEST actually has 9 or 10 points.

WEST comes through with 4 \hat{a} TM.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 9 5 3
♥ A 7
♦ J 9 8 5
♣ 9 6 4

11
7 10
12

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	Pass
3 ♥ by South			

♠ 8 7 2
♥ Q 9 6 4
♦ K 6 2
♣ A Q 3

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W E
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♠ A 10 4
♥ 10 3
♦ Q 10 3
♣ K J 10 7 2

♠ K J 6
♥ K J 8 5 2
♦ A 7 4
♣ 8 5

SOUTH has a bare minimum 13 point hand, and he should open 1

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NORTH has 11 points and good

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support so she jumps to 3

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SOUTH knows he has been invited to bid higher, but with nothing above minimum he must pass.

Deal 4
 East Deals
 None Vul
 ♠ 8 6 3
 ♥ A K Q 7 2
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ 10 9 5

	N		E
W		S	
10		♦ Q J	
12		♥ J 8 5 4	
11		♦ A 9 8 3	
7		♣ Q J 7	

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EAST has 11 points and she should pass.

WEST has a minimum 1

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opening, 13 points and five trumps.

EAST, with 4-card trump support, jumps to 3

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(This is called a Limit Raise.)

A Limit Raise is an invitational bid, but WEST can add and he knows the total points will

be either 24 or 25. So he passes 3

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Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8
♥ J 8 3
♦ A K Q 10 6 2
♣ J 5 2

13
11 **10**
6

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
2 ♠ by North			

♠ K Q 10 7 3 ♥ A 4 2 ♦ 9 7 5 ♣ A 6	♠ A 5 4 ♥ 10 9 6 ♦ J 4 ♣ K Q 9 8 3
♠ J 9 6 2 ♥ K Q 7 5 ♦ 8 3 ♣ 10 7 4	

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NORTH has a normal 1 \hat{a} TM opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

SOUTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2 \hat{a} TM.

NORTH passes, knowing he is not missing a game contract. SOUTH can have a maximum of 10 points, which would

only reach 24 points when added to his 14.