

Deal 1

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



West	North	East	South
1 ♠	2 ♠	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 ♥

3 ♥ by South

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s, 11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥, which partner passes.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

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

12
 6 **12**
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♠ Q J 8 6
 ♥ 7
 ♦ A K Q 4
 ♣ 8 6 3 2

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♠ 5 2
 ♥ A J 9 4 2
 ♦ J 9 2
 ♣ A Q 10

♠ A K 10 9 4
 ♥ 8 5 3
 ♦ 6 5 3
 ♣ K 9

West North East South

Pass 2 ♥ Pass 3 ♠
 Pass 4 ♠ Pass Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

You have 14 points in support of ♠s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♥, showing a good hand with support and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 3 ♠. What do you say?

4 ♠. Partner's jump shows a good overcall, but not enough strength to insist on game when you might have only 11 points. You have plenty extra so you bid the game.

Deal 3

South Deals

♦ J 10 9 8

♥ J 9 4

None Vul

♦ A 8 6 2

♣ A J

♠ 7

♥ A K Q 10 5 3

♦ J 5

♣ 10 9 8 3



♠ A K Q 6 4 2

♥ 8

♦ K Q 4

♣ K Q 5

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

2 ♥

3 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

6 ♠

Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by South

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s, 11 points or more.

There is only one thing you want to know now - how many Aces partner holds. So you bid 4 NT to find out. Partner responds 5 ♥. What do you say?

You know you have a loser. Bid 6 ♠.

Deal 4

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 5 3 2
♥ 6 5
♦ J 10
♣ K 9 5 4

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8 ¹²
9

♠ 8 6
♥ A 9 8 4
♦ 9 6 5 4
♣ A Q J

W N
S E

♠ K 10
♥ 7 3
♦ A K Q 2
♣ 8 7 6 3 2

♠ Q J 7 4
♥ K Q J 10 2
♦ 8 7 3
♣ 10

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♠	2 ♣	1 ♣	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	2 ♥
2 ♥ by South			

You have 12 points in support of ♥s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♣. Since the opponents have bid two suits you can cue-bid either one of them, so you usually pick the one you have the most strength in. Partner bids 2 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner had a minimum overcall so he made a minimum rebid.

Deal 5South Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 10 6
♥ Q J 9 7 6
♦ Q J 7 5
♣ —

♠ J 4
♥ 4
♦ K 3 2
♣ A K Q J 10 8 6

11	♠ A 7 3
14 o	♥ A K 8 5 3
15	♦ A 6
	♣ 9 7 4

N	W	E	S
♠ 9 8 5 2	♥ 10 2	♦ 10 9 8 4	♣ 5 3 2

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

You have about 15 points in support of ♥s so you cue-bid 3 ♣, showing a limit raise or better and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

5 ♣. Partner's jump shows a good hand and you have more than you have promised so far. This cue-bid is a different type, showing first round control in ♣s, Ace or void. That was apparently what partner wanted to hear since he went right to slam.