

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 2
♥ Q 4 3
♦ J 9 8 5
♣ Q J 6

♠ A K

♥ 5 2

♦ A 6 4 2

♣ A K T 7 4



♠ Q J 8 5 3

♥ A T 7 6

♦ Q T

♣ 3 2

♠ T 7 4

♥ K J 9 8

♦ K 7 3

♣ 9 8 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♣

Pass

1 ♥

All Pass

2 ♦

Pass

3 ♣

3 ♣ by South

Baker Reverse 7

You would really love to pass. You have a terrible hand and you like the ♦ s better than the ♣ s.

But you are forced to bid. And since partner has 5 ♣ s and only 4 ♦ s, you should take him back to his first suit.

Mercifully he passes.

Board 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6
♥ T 9 7 5 4
♦ A 7 6 2
♣ A 5 3

♠ J 7

♥ A K 6 3

♦ K Q T 8 5

♣ K T



♠ A 9 8 4 3 2

♥ J 2

♦ 3

♣ 8 6 4 2

♠ K Q T 5

♥ Q 8

♦ J 9 4

♣ Q J 9 7

West

North

East

South

1 ♦

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

3NT

All Pass

3 NT by South

Baker Reverse 8

When partner shows 17+ points with his Reverse you are sure you belong in game. Since he did not support your ♠s you know he doesn't have four of them. You also know you have an 8-card fit in ♦s, but surely nine tricks in Notrump will be easier than eleven in ♦s.

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

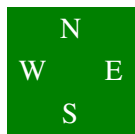
♠ A K 9 4
 ♥ T 4 2
 ♦ 9 8 4
 ♣ J 9 5

♠ 6 3

♥ K 5

♦ K Q J 6

♣ A K T 7 2



♠ J T 8 7

♥ Q J 9 7

♦ A T 2

♣ Q 6

♠ Q 5 2

♥ A 8 6 3

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 8 4 3

West

North

East

South

1 ♣

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

3 ♣

All Pass

3 ♣ by South

Baker Reverse 9

With 17 points you have a perfect hand for a Reverse.

So you bid 2 ♦. Partner then says 3 ♣. What do you say?

Partner's return to your ♣ suit shows he has fewer than 9 points. Although it is possible to devise a hand for him where your side could make 3NT, the risk is too great.

So you pass. It's a good thing, too.

Board 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 4
♥ T 5 3 2
♦ Q J 2
♣ Q J T 5

♠ J 7 3

♥ J

♦ A K 6 4

♣ A K 9 8 3



♠ A K 9 6 2

♥ A 6

♦ T 9 7 5

♣ 4 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ K Q 9 8 7 4

♦ 8 3

♣ 7 6

West

North

East

South

1 ♣

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

2 ♥

All Pass

Baker Reverse 10

You have 7 points, and basically nothing but s♥. You must make a minimum bid, and the only reasonable one is 2♥. Despite his 17 points, partner passes.

2 ♥ by South

Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J T 3
 ♥ K 6 5 4 3
 ♦ 2
 ♣ Q J 9 8

♠ 7
 ♥ A Q J 9
 ♦ K Q J 7 6 4
 ♣ A 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 9 5 4 2
 ♥ T 8
 ♦ A 5 3
 ♣ K T 2

♠ A K 8 6
 ♥ 7 2
 ♦ T 9 8
 ♣ 7 6 5 4

West	North	East	South
	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	5 ♦	All Pass	

5 ♦ by North

Baker Reverse 11

You have an ideal hand for a Reverse, so you bid 2 ♥.

Partner now bids 3 ♦. What do you say?

Partner has a minimum hand, but at least he came up with a preference for ♦s.

There are no guarantees here, but you should probably try 5 ♦.

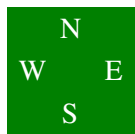
Board 6

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6 2
 ♥ J 6 5 4
 ♦ T 8 7
 ♣ A J 7 2

♠ J 5
 ♥ A T
 ♦ A Q J 3
 ♣ K Q 9 8 6



♠ A T 8
 ♥ K Q 9 3
 ♦ 9 6 4 2
 ♣ 5 4

♠ K Q 9 7 4 3
 ♥ 8 7 2
 ♦ K 5
 ♣ T 3

West	North	East	South
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

Baker Reverse 12

With 18 points you have enough to make a Reverse.

So you bid 2 ♦. Partner now says 3 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner's jump bid shows a 6-card suit and enough points to insist on game. With your ♥ stopper you might be considering 3NT, but since you know of an 8-card ♠ fit you decide on 4 ♠.

Be very glad that you did. 3NT would go down with a ♥ opening lead while 4 ♠ is cold.