

<b>Deal 1</b>	♠ K Q	SOUTH's 3		
South Deals	♥ K 8 7 5	â™¥		
None Vul	♦ A 9			
	♣ K Q 10 9 2	rebid shows better than average strength and six trumps.		
♠ J 8 6 3 2	♠ 10 9 7 4	Just what NORTH was hoping for. She bids Blackwood - her plan is to bid 7		
♥ Q 4	♥ 3			
♦ J 4 3	♦ 10 8 6 5 2			
♣ 8 5 4	♣ A J 7			
	♠ A 5			
17 4 5 14	♥ A J 10 9 6 2			
	♦ K Q 7			
	♣ 6 3			
West	North	East	South	if SOUTH has three Aces, bid 6
			1 ♥	
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♥	â™¥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass	if he has two Aces,
Pass				and stop at 5
6 ♥ by South				â™¥

if he has just one. If South has no Aces NORTH will get a new partner.

**Deal 2**

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

♠ —	♠ 8 5 3
♥ 8 6 4 2	♥ 10 3
♦ A 10 7 6 4 2	♦ 9 8 3
♣ 8 4 2	♣ A 9 7 6 3



15  
4 4  
17

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by South

SOUTH indicates an above normal opening with five  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ s by her 3 NT rebid.

NORTH also has some extra strength so he makes a Control showing bid of 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

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Despite both partners showing extra strength South merely signs off at 4 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ . Why? Because NORTH's

Control bid of 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{Y}$

denied first-round control in both  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ s and

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ddot{I}$

s. SOUTH realized she was off two Aces.

**Deal 3**South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 9  
♥ 6 5 3 2  
♦ J 7 6  
♣ A 10 7 5 3

<sup>15</sup>  
5 8  
<sub>12</sub>

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



♠ 10 4 2  
♥ 10 9  
♦ A K 10 3 2  
♣ J 9 6

♠ K Q J 8 5  
♥ K J 7  
♦ Q 8 5  
♣ 8 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by South			

SOUTH has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after NORTH's Jacoby 2 NT bid he merely signs off at 4 $\hat{a}$ <sup>TM</sup>.

NORTH would have cooperated if SOUTH had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.

**Deal 4**

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

12	♠ Q 8 4
9 6	♥ A K 8 4 2
13	♦ 4

♣ K J 9 5

West	North	East	South
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♥
4 ♥ by South			



NORTH's 4 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{L}$  is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{Y}$

s and a singleton or void in  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{L}$ s.

SOUTH is obviously forced to game, but she is not thrilled to hear about NORTH's  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{L}$  shortness. In fact,

it does nothing to help the value of her hand. So she bids the

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{Y}$

game.

**Deal 5**

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

13	♠ A Q 9 8 6 4
4 8	♥ Q J 7
15	♦ J 2
	♣ K Q

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by South			

SOUTH bids 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  to show the 6-card suit plus some extra strength.

NORTH's failure to make a Control bid in either  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{E}s$ ,

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}!$

s

or

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{Y}$

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So SOUTH settles for game.