

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 8 7

♥ T 5 3

♦ A T 9 4 2

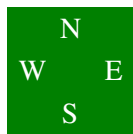
♣ Q 4

♠ T 9 5

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 8 3

♣ K J 7 2



♠ A Q 4 2

♥ 9 7 6

♦ 7 5

♣ A 8 6 3

♠ J 6 3

♥ A K Q 8 2

♦ K 6

♣ T 9 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 ♥

1 NT by North

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SOUTH has a solid 1

opening, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH must respond with 8 points, but cannot bid either minor suit since he needs at least

11 points to bid a new suit at the 2-level. So he bids 1NT (6-10 points).

SOUTH doesn't object to Notrump so she passes.

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

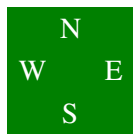
♠ J 9 6 2  
♥ K Q 7 5  
♦ 8 3  
♣ T 7 4

♠ A 5 4

♥ J T 9

♦ A Q 4 2

♣ J 5 2



♠ K Q T 7 3

♥ A 4 2

♦ 9 7 5

♣ A 6

♠ 8

♥ 8 6 3

♦ K J T 6

♣ K Q 9 8 3

West

North

East

South

2 ♠

All Pass

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♠ by West

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EAST has a normal 1 opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

WEST has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2 ,

passed by EAST.

WEST does not consider showing the

s,

first because she knows there is a fit, and second because she doesn't have

the 11 points needed to bid a new suit at the 2-level.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 9 2  
♥ T 8 5 3  
♦ 8 3 2  
♣ 9 7 3

♠ K J 4

♥ K Q 9 2

♦ A Q 5

♣ K T 8



♠ A 8 3

♥ A 7

♦ K J 9 6 4

♣ Q J 5

♠ T 7 6 5

♥ J 6 4

♦ T 7

♣ A 6 4 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

6NT

All Pass

1NT

6NT by North

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With balanced distribution and 16 points SOUTH should open 1NT rather than 1

NORTH's response is based on simple math. He adds his 18 points to the 15 minimum that SOUTH has announced and

comes up with 33 points combined. This is enough for a small slam, and since he has balanced distribution

he bids 6NT.

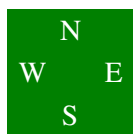
**Board 4**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 4  
♥ Q T 6  
♦ 8 5 3 2  
♣ Q 9 8 5

♠ A 8 2  
♥ K J 5 4 3 2  
♦ 7 4  
♣ T 3



♠ Q J T 9 6  
♥ A 7  
♦ A Q 6  
♣ A K 7

♠ 7 5 3  
♥ 9 8  
♦ K J T 9  
♣ J 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
		1 ♠	Pass
1NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

3 NT by East

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EAST is right at the maximum for a 1 opening bid -  
one more point and he would

have opened 2 .

WEST does not have 3-card support but with 7  
points must make some response.

She cannot bid at the 2-level so she says 1NT (6-10  
points).

EAST is fine with Notrump so he bids 3NT.