

# Deal 1

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ -  
♥ J 6  
♦ A K Q T 5 3 2  
♣ J 9 8 3

13  
11 3  
13

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



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

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	1 ♣
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	1 ♠

4 ♠ by North

NORTH has 13 points and the fit so he bids game.

## Baker Bidpractice/Set11 1

NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

first, (up-the-line).

But WEST's overcall gave NORTH the opportunity to bid both Majors at the same time! Since the

Negative Double promises both Majors it was like NORTH could bid 1

SOUTH has sso she bids 1 ,showing a minimum opener.

# Deal 2

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 5 3  
♥ K 5 2  
♦ Q 8 5 4 3 2  
♣ A 3

13  
9 4  
14

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



♠ Q 9 7  
♥ J 8 7  
♦ A K 6  
♣ K J T 4

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	1 ♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	1NT

3NT by North

stopper he bids 1NT.

NORTH happily bids 3NT.

## Baker Bidpractice/Set11 2

NORTH has 13 points and four cards in both

s and Rather

than bid one of them she makes a Negative Double, promising four cards in EACH of them. It's like

she was able to bid 1

.

SOUTH doesn't have four cards in either Major, but with a

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

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

13  
5 9  
13

♠ A K J 7

♥ 8 7

♦ 9 7 6

♣ K Q 5 4



♠ Q 9 6 2

♥ A K 5

♦ 8 4

♣ A 6 3 2

♠ 8 5 4

♥ J

♦ A K J T 5 2

♣ T 9 8

West

North

East

South

1 ♣

1 ♦

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 3

SOUTH cannot respond with a Negative Double on this hand because he has only three

s.

Instead he just bids his 4-card Major, 1 .

NORTH shows 4-card support with a minimum opener by bidding 2 and SOUTH

has enough strength to bid game.

# Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

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

15  
12 0  
13

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

N  
W E  
S

♠ A T 5 3 2  
♥ A J T  
♦ 9 8 7  
♣ A 8

♠ 7 6 4  
♥ 9  
♦ T 5 4 2  
♣ T 9 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
2♥	Dbl	Pass	1♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	2NT

3NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 4

NORTH has 15 points, and when West overcalls 2

in front

of her she has a perfect Negative Double - showing both of the Minor suits.

SOUTH doesn't like the Minor suits, but he has stoppers in

s, so

he bids 2NT.

NORTH is more than happy to raise to 3NT.

# Deal 5

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K Q J 5 4 3

♥ T 3

♦ 7

♣ J 8 3

7

11 3

19

♠ T 8 6

♥ A 9 6 4 2

♦ 8 4

♣ K 6 2



♠ 9

♥ K Q J 7

♦ A K 6

♣ A Q T 5 4

♠ 7 2

♥ 8 5

♦ Q J T 9 5 3 2

♣ 9 7

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

All Pass

Dbl

Pass

1 ♣

4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 5

NORTH would have responded 1

if WEST had not overcalled.

But with only 8 points he cannot bid at the 2-level. The Negative Double solves his problem,

giving this information to partner.

SOUTH has good

s and enough points to bid game.

Notice that if WEST had remained silent, NORTH would have responded 1

and SOUTH would have jumped to game.

# Deal 6

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 5  
♥ A Q J T 6 4  
♦ J 8 5 3  
♣ 6

9  
10 7  
14

♠ A K 6 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 9 7 2

♣ Q 9 8 2



♠ T 9 7

♥ K 8 7

♦ A K 6

♣ K J T 4

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

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

Pass

Dbl

2 ♣

Pass

All Pass

1 ♣

1NT

2 ♣ by North

## Baker Bidpractice/Set11 6

NORTH has four ♠ so instead of bidding them she makes a Negative Double.

SOUTH knows there is no 8-card fit in ♠ but he does have

♠

stopped. He bids 1NT.

NORTH has 9 points and with four ♠ she goes back to that suit and SOUTH passes.

**Deal 7**

North Deals

Both Vul

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

14  
6 11  
9

♠ Q 9 7  
♥ J 8 7  
♦ A K 6  
♣ K J T 4



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

♠ 8  
♥ K Q T 6 5 4  
♦ Q T 5  
♣ A 7 6

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 7  
Compare this hand with Deal 6.

SOUTH has five     this time so she bids 1     .

NORTH knows there

IS

an 8-card fit in     so he bids 2     .

SOUTH has 10 points so she passes.

West	North	East	South
	1 ♣	1 ♥	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♠	All Pass	

2 ♠ by North

# Deal 8

East Deals

None Vul

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

11  
8 6  
15

West

1 ♠

All Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ 9 7  
♥ K 8 7 4  
♦ K Q 6  
♣ K T 9 4



♠ A 5 2  
♥ A Q T 9 3  
♦ 9 7  
♣ A J 2

North

2 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 ♥

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 8

NORTH has 11/12 points, a Limit Raise in

s. So after the overcall

he makes a Support Cue-bid of 2 .

SOUTH adds her 16 to the 11 that NORTH has promised as a minimum and goes straight

to 4

.

If NORTH had significantly more than 11 he could bid on, but in this case he should happily pass.

# Deal 9

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A K J 6 4  
♥ 6  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ J 6 5 3

6  
11 11  
12

♠ 9 7  
♥ K 8 7 4  
♦ T 8 6  
♣ K T 9 4

N  
W E  
S

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

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

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

3 ♥

Pass

1 ♥

All Pass

3 ♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 9  
Compare this with Deal 8.

NORTH has 7 points, barely enough for a 2

raise if there had been no overcall.

But when WEST puts in the bid, NORTH can jump to 3

as a preemptive

measure. He knows SOUTH won't think he has strength because he did not make a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH does know it and passes 3

# Deal 10

East Deals  
None Vul

♠ J T 5  
♥ T 8 7 5 2  
♦ J T 8  
♣ Q 5

13  
4 12  
11

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



♠ A K 9 7 3  
♥ 6 4  
♦ 6 3  
♣ K J T 4

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

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

4 ♠ by North

## Baker Bidpractice/Set11 10

NORTH has the strength for a raise to game in  
but this could be dangerous since SOUTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead,  
NORTH shows her strength with a Support  
Cue-bid.

SOUTH in fact had a pretty good overcall so  
he jumps to 3 and NORTH bids the game.

With a weak overcall SOUTH would have just  
returned to 2 which NORTH would pass.

# Deal 11

East Deals  
None Vul

♠ J T 5  
♥ T 7 2  
♦ T 6 5 4  
♣ J T 5

13  
2 16  
9

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



♠ A K 9 7 3  
♥ 6 5 4  
♦ Q 3  
♣ 7 6 3

♠ 4  
♥ Q J 8  
♦ A K J 8 2  
♣ K Q 9 4

West	North	East	South
		1 ♦	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
All Pass			

2 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 11  
Compare this to Deal 10.

NORTH has the strength for a raise to game in  
but this could be dangerous since SOUTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead,  
NORTH shows her strength with a Support  
Cue-bid.

SOUTH has very minimal overcall so he just  
bids 2 which NORTH passes.

# Deal 12

South Deals

None Vul

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

11  
8 1  
20

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



♠ 8  
♥ A K T 8 7  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A K 6

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	2 ♠	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	4NT
All Pass			6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 12  
SOUTH has a maximum 1

opening bid.

NORTH would have made a Limit Raise in

s, but after WEST's overcall she

makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

SOUTH thinks there may be a slam and bids 4NT Blackwood to check for Aces. When NORTH admits to one Ace

SOUTH bids the slam.

# Deal 13

South Deals

Both Vul

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

9  
11 6  
14

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



♠ K Q J 7  
♥ T 7  
♦ A 9 7 6  
♣ A T 4

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	1 ♦
All Pass			1NT

1 NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 13  
NORTH has 9 points a a

suit - good enough to make a

Negative Double over WEST's 1 overcall.

But SOUTH doesn't have

s, she has and

s, so she bids 1NT to show

her stopper and a minimum opener.

NORTH should pass.

# Deal 14

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 5 3  
♥ Q T 5  
♦ J 4 3  
♣ A 6 5 3

13  
7 13  
7

♠ Q 9 7  
♥ J 8 7  
♦ A K 8 6  
♣ K T 4



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

♠ J T  
♥ A K 6 4 2  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ Q J 7

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

2 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 14

With five ♠ SOUTH bids the suit rather than making a negative double.

NORTH knows this shows a 5-card suit so he can support with only three ♠s.

SOUTH doesn't have anything extra so she passes 2 ♠.

# Deal 15

South Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ Q 3  
♥ T 6 2  
♦ A J  
♣ K Q J T 8 3

13  
13 1  
13

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



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

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

West	North	East	South
			1 ♦
2 ♣	Dbl	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	All Pass	

4 ♥ by North

extra strength. She is not really bidding

s on her own, she is supporting partner's suit.

NORTH has 13 points so he bids 4

.

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 15

NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

first, (up-the-line).

After WEST's overcall, NORTH makes a Negative Double, showing both Majors and at least 10 points to

make a 2-level Negative Double.

SOUTH bids 2

, showing a 4-card suit and minimum opening hand. Notice

that this is not a Reverse by SOUTH, showing

# Deal 16

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 4  
♥ K Q J T 4  
♦ K 4 3  
♣ A 9 7

8  
13 6  
13

♠ A K 8 2

♥ 9 6 3

♦ J T

♣ 8 6 5 3



♠ Q J 7 5

♥ 8 7

♦ A Q 8 6

♣ K J T

♠ T 9 3

♥ A 5 2

♦ 9 7 5 2

♣ Q 4 2

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

All Pass

Dbl

2 ♥

1 ♦

2 ♠

2 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 16

NORTH has 8 points and she makes a Negative Double of the

overcall

to show exactly four s.

SOUTH also has four s so he bids 2 at his turn to show a minimum.

NORTH is happy to pass.

# Deal 17

South Deals  
None Vul

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

14  
9 5  
12

♠ J 8 5  
♥ A T 8 4  
♦ K 9  
♣ K Q J 2



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

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

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

4 ♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 17  
NORTH's Support Cue-bid shows at least  
Limit Raise strength and

support.

SOUTH has a minimum opening bid and can  
only return to 3

NORTH actually has better than the 12 points  
he promised, so he now bids 4

**Deal 18**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q J T 5 3  
♥ T 5  
♦ J 6 5  
♣ 9 3

11  
8 9  
12

♠ 8 6 2

♥ 6 3

♦ K Q 9 7

♣ A Q 8 2



♠ 9 7

♥ A K J 8 7

♦ 4 3

♣ K J T 4

♠ K 4

♥ Q 9 4 2

♦ A T 8 2

♣ 7 6 5

West

North

East

South

2 ♠

Dbl

Pass

1 ♥

3 ♣

All Pass

3 ♣ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 18

NORTH has a 11 points with both Minors and she doesn't want to sell out to WEST's 2 .

So she makes a Negative Double, effectively bidding both minors at once.

SOUTH has four so he bids the suit at the minimum level and NORTH passes.

# Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ -  
♥ J 9 8 4  
♦ Q J 9 7 5 3  
♣ A K 4

10  
11 0  
19

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



♠ A Q J 7 5 2  
♥ A K Q 7  
♦ K 2  
♣ 8

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

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
2 ♦	3 ♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	6 ♠
All Pass			

6 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 19  
NORTH makes a Support Cue-bid of 2

to show his Limit Raise in ♠.

SOUTH thinks slam and bids Blackwood to make sure they aren't off two Aces.

NORTH says he has one so SOUTH bids the slam.

**Deal 20**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 7 6 4 2  
♥ 5  
♦ 8 7 6 4  
♣ T 3

13  
6 8  
13

♠ 8  
♥ A J 9 3  
♦ K Q 5 2  
♣ Q J 8 2



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

♠ K J T  
♥ T 6 4 2  
♦ A T 9  
♣ 9 7 6

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

4 ♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 20  
NORTH can't bid 3

because that would show a 5-card suit.

Instead she makes a Negative Double.

SOUTH has four

s and he now bids them.

NORTH has 13 points so she bids 4

.

# Deal 21

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

11  
15 1  
13

♠ K T 6 5

♥ J 2

♦ K 5 4

♣ A 6 3 2



♠ Q J 8 3

♥ 8 7

♦ A 7 6

♣ K Q J 4

♠ 9 4 2

♥ T 5 3

♦ J T 3 2

♣ 8 7 5

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

Pass

Dbl

3 ♠

Pass

All Pass

1 ♣

1 ♠

3 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 21

NORTH makes a Negative Double rather than responding 1 to indicate he has just a 4-card suit.

SOUTH has four so she bids 1 showing a minimum opener.

With 11 points NORTH makes an invitational bid of 3 but SOUTH declines the invitation by passing.

# Deal 22

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 8 6  
♥ 9 7 5  
♦ A Q 9 3  
♣ T 9 7

12  
8 8  
12

♠ 9 7 2

♥ A 6 3

♦ 8 6

♣ A K J 6 4

N  
W E  
S

♠ A 5

♥ K Q J 8 2

♦ 7 4 2

♣ Q 8 2

♠ K J T 4 3

♥ T 4

♦ K J T 5

♣ 5 3

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♣

1 ♠

2 ♥

All Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

game.

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 22  
SOUTH has 13 points and a 5-card

suit so she should not use a Negative

Double. Instead she just bids 2

.

Knowing SOUTH has five

s NORTH can support with just three.

SOUTH bids the

# Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 8 4 3  
♥ -  
♦ Q 8 7  
♣ K Q J T 9 7

11  
12 3  
14

♠ Q J 5  
♥ K T 5 3  
♦ A J 6 2  
♣ 6 4



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

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

West	North	East	South
2♣	3♣	Pass	1♥
All Pass			4♥

4♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 23

NORTH has a Limit Raise hand but after WEST's overcall a 3

bid

by NORTH would be preemptive, not inviting. Instead he makes a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH has just enough that she can bid 4

, knowing that if NORTH has

a real block-buster he will bid on.

NORTH doesn't have a real block-buster.

**Deal 24**

North Deals

None Vul

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

18  
4      10  
8

♠ T 5  
♥ A K Q 6 3  
♦ A T 8  
♣ A J 7



♠ A Q J 3  
♥ J 4  
♦ 9 6 4 2  
♣ T 9 6

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

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

3NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 24

SOUTH has 9 points and a stopper in      so she responds 1NT.

NORTH has 19 points with a balanced hand so he bids 3NT.