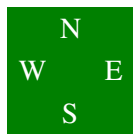


**Board 1**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

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

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



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

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

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

4 ♠ by South

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 NORTH cannot bid 2

at his second turn; that would be

Fourth Suit Forcing and wouldn't show the

suit at all.

With a game-forcing two-suiter he jumps to 3

instead.

SOUTH recognizes that NORTH must hold five ♠s and bids the ♠ game.

**Board 2**  
 East Deals  
 N-S Vul

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

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



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

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

West	North	East	South
		1 ♦	Pass
1 ♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	All Pass

2 ♦ by East

WEST has nowhere to go, so passes.

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 WEST bids 2 as New Minor Forcing, hoping EAST  
 has three

s.

EAST does not have three

s and he has no other bid to make that

will describe his hand any better. He cannot bid  
 Notrump again without a stopper.

So EAST rebids the 5-card

suit.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

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

♠ A Q J 6 3

♥ Q J 5

♦ K 4

♣ T 9 2



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

♠ 8 4

♥ A K 9 4 3

♦ A J 9 6

♣ 7 5

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

4 ♥ by North

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NORTH should not use Fourth Suit Forcing to see if  
SOUTH holds three because

that information is irrelevant.

NORTH already knows there is an 8-card

fit and enough

points to be in game so he bids it.

**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K J 8 6  
♥ J 5 3  
♦ 3  
♣ A K 6 3

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

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

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

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

3 ♠ by East

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WEST thinks there might be game if EAST can help  
with the three

losers. So he bids 3

as a Help Suit Game Try.

EAST cannot provide any help at all, so quickly signs  
off in 3 which WEST passes.

**Board 5**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ A J 8 6 2

♥ Q 9 3

♦ K 7 4

♣ 8 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ K 9 5

♥ K J 2

♦ A 9 6 3

♣ Q 6 4

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

2 ♠ by South

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NORTH bids 2 ♠ as New Minor Forcing, hoping

SOUTH will show three ♠s.

SOUTH does show three ♠s but also shows a minimum hand so North passes.

**Board 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

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

♠ Q 8 6  
 ♥ Q J 9 7  
 ♦ A 5 2  
 ♣ 8 7 4



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

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

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

3NT by West

bidding 2NT, so WEST bids the game in Notrump.

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WEST wants to be in game but doesn't know which one.

If EAST holds three

s she would prefer 4

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otherwise she would try 3NT. WEST bids 2 Fourth Suit Forcing.

EAST denies three

s but confirms a honor by