

Deal 1

West Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 8 2
♥ J 7 5 3
♦ 8 2
♣ A 9 6

17
6 2
15

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 NT	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 NT by North			

♠ K Q 9 3
♥ K Q 10
♦ A J 7
♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7
♥ A 8 4
♦ K 10 6
♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4
♥ 9 6 2
♦ Q 9 5 4 3
♣ 5 3

NORTH has a great 1 NT hand - 17 points and 4-3-3-3 shape.

SOUTH has 16 points; he figures it is possible that NORTH can make a slam, but only

if she has a 17 point opener. So he bids 4 NT, expecting NORTH to bid 6 NT if she has 17 points

but to pass if she has fewer.

He figured right - NORTH had 17 points so she bid 6 NT.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

*West**North**East**South*

6 NT

Pass

1 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 NT by East

WEST definitely does NOT have a balanced hand. She has two doubletons and a

6-card Club suit.

But she DOES have 18 points, (two extra for the fifth and sixth Clubs), and her 18 added to

EAST's minimum of 15 is enough to bid 6 NT.

Notice how easy this will be to play once that Club suit is established.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

West

Pass

2 NT by South

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

North

Pass

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

With 21 points and 4-3-3-3 distribution, SOUTH opens 2 NT.

NORTH has just 3 points; he knows that SOUTH cannot have more than 21 so the partnership

total cannot be more than 24. So he just passes 2 NT.

Deal 4

West Deals
None Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
3 NT by West			

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

This is an easy one to bid.

WEST has a balanced 16 points so he opens 1 NT.

EAST has a balanced 12 points so she responds 3 NT.

BUT - just look at how this would play. You might only be able to take 8 tricks.

Sometimes correct bidding gets you to unmakeable contracts. But it's only a game.

Deal 5

West Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

20
4 2
14

♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 NT	Pass	6 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 NT by North			

Notrump bidding really is easy, you just add your points to partner's points and then

bid according to that answer.

Here SOUTH has 14 points. So when NORTH opens 2 NT, showing 20 or 21 points SOUTH knows the

total will come to 34 or 35 so he bids 6 NT.

Deal 6

West Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

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

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2

WEST cannot open with only 8 points.

Furthermore, when EAST opens 1 NT
WEST knows that the partnership has a
25 points at most so

he passes again.

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 10 8 2

♥ J 7 5 3

♦ 8 2

♣ A 9 6

17
6 2

15

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ K Q 10

♦ A J 7

♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7

♥ A 8 4

♦ K 10 6

♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ Q 9 5 4 3

♣ 5 3

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

20
4 2
14

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6



♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2

♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 10 8 2

♥ J 7 5 3

♦ 8 2

♣ A 9 6

17
6 2

15

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ K Q 10

♦ A J 7

♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7

♥ A 8 4

♦ K 10 6

♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ Q 9 5 4 3

♣ 5 3

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

20
4 2
14

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6



♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 8 2

♥ J 7 5 3

♦ 8 2

♣ A 9 6

17
6 2

15

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ K Q 10

♦ A J 7

♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7

♥ A 8 4

♦ K 10 6

♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ Q 9 5 4 3

♣ 5 3

Deal 20

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

20
4 2
14

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6



♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 8 2

♥ J 7 5 3

♦ 8 2

♣ A 9 6

17
6 2

15

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ K Q 10

♦ A J 7

♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7

♥ A 8 4

♦ K 10 6

♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ Q 9 5 4 3

♣ 5 3

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

Deal 28
West Deals
N-S Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

Deal 29

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

20
4 2
14

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6



♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

Deal 30
East Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 10 8 2

♥ J 7 5 3

♦ 8 2

♣ A 9 6

17
6 2

15

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ K Q 10

♦ A J 7

♣ Q 10 8



♠ A 7

♥ A 8 4

♦ K 10 6

♣ K J 7 4 2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ Q 9 5 4 3

♣ 5 3

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 4 3

♣ A

♠ K 8

♥ A K 5

♦ A 8

♣ Q 10 9 6 3 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ K J 8

♠ Q J 6 3

♥ 8 4 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ 7 5 4

5
16 15
4

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ Q 10 8
♦ Q J 10 5
♣ 6 4 3

3
9 7
21

♠ K 8 3
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ 8 5 2



♠ Q J 10
♥ A J 7
♦ A K 6 2
♣ K Q J

♠ 9 7 6 2
♥ K 4 3
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 9 7

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 4 2
♥ A 4 2
♦ A 6 4 2
♣ A 4 2

7
16 12
5

♠ J 6
♥ Q J 9 8 6
♦ J 9 7
♣ Q 9 6



♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 10 7
♦ Q 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 5 3
♥ K 5 3
♦ K 5 3
♣ K 7 5 3

Deal 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 3
♥ A 8 6 4
♦ 10 8 5
♣ 10 9 4 2

20
4 2
14

♠ A J 5
♥ Q 10 9 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A K 6



♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

♠ Q 9 8 6 4
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 6 3
♣ 7 5 3

Deal 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q 8 4
♦ Q 6 2
♣ Q 7 5 3

9
8 17
6

♠ 10 2
♥ A J 7 6 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ K 9 4



♠ J 9 8 4 3
♥ 10 5
♦ A 10 8
♣ J 10 8

♠ A K 6
♥ K 9 3
♦ K 7 4 3
♣ A 6 2