

Deal 1

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



West	North	East	South
	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 NT	Pass	Pass
2 NT by North			

NORTH has a perfect hand for an opening bid of 2TM£.

23 points and balanced distribution is just fine.

SOUTH is glad to hear his partner has lots of points, because he was shortchanged.

However, he must answer, so with 1 point he bids a negative 2

âTM!

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NORTH describes her hand by saying 2 NT.

SOUTH does not have to bid the double negative over a 2 NT bid, so he passes.

Deal 2
 East Deals
 None Vul

♠ K 7 3
 ♥ Q 8 2
 ♦ 10 9 8 6
 ♣ 5 4 2

5
 5 22
 8

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 ♦	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
3 NT by East			

♠ Q J 9 5
 ♥ J 10 9 3
 ♦ 7 4 2
 ♣ J 7

♠ A 8 2
 ♥ A K 7 5
 ♦ K Q J
 ♣ K Q 10

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♠ 10 6 4

♥ 6 4

♦ A 5 3

♣ A 9 8 6 3

EAST has a balanced hand with 22 points. He opens 2 \hat{a} TM£.

WEST, with 5 points, must respond

\hat{a} TM!

. Both these

bids are artificial.

EAST now describes his hand by bidding 2 NT.

WEST bids 3 NT, knowing that the partnership holds at least 27 points.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 6 4

♥ 9 8 7 3

♦ J 6 3

♣ J 8

6 7
22

♠ Q J 10 7 2

♥ A 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ 6 5 3


 ♠ 8 5
 ♥ 10 6 4
 ♦ K 10 5
 ♣ Q 10 9 7 2

 ♠ K 3
 ♥ K Q J 2
 ♦ A Q 9 8
 ♣ A K 4

West North East South

 Pass 2 ♠ Pass 2 ♣
 Pass 3 NT Pass 2 NT

Pass

3 NT by South

SOUTH opens 2 \hat{a} TM with her balanced 22 points.

NORTH has 8 points AND a 5-card \hat{a} TM suit. This is strong enough for a positive response, so

he bids 2 \hat{a} TM.

SOUTH completes the description of her hand by saying 2 NT.

NORTH does NOT rebid the \hat{a} TMs; his first bid already promised a 5-card suit. He just

bids 3 NT.

Deal 4
 West Deals
 None Vul

♠ K Q 2
 ♥ A K Q 7 5
 ♦ A 7 2
 ♣ A 10

8
 22 4
 6

N
 W E
 S

♠ J 8 6 4
 ♥ J 4 3
 ♦ Q J 4
 ♣ K 3 2

♠ A 3
 ♥ 10 9 8 2
 ♦ 9 8 6
 ♣ 8 7 6 4

♠ 10 9 7 5
 ♥ 6
 ♦ K 10 5 3
 ♣ Q J 9 5

West North East South
 2♣ Pass 2♦ Pass
 2♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
 Pass Pass
 4♥ by West

WEST has 23 points and opens 2 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathcal{L}$.

EAST, with 4 points, must respond 2

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

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WEST now shows a

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

suit (at least 5) by bidding 2

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

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EAST likes

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

s, she has already told WEST she has fewer than 8 points, so she

bids 4

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

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Deal 5

North Deals	♠ A J 8 7
None Vul	♥ A K
	♦ A 8 6
	♣ A K Q J
	♠ 9 4
	♥ Q 6 4
	♦ K 10 7 3
	♣ 8 7 4 2
	26 5 5 4 ♣ 9 5 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
3 NT by North			



♠ K 10 5 3
♥ J 10 8 2
♦ J 9 4
♣ 10 6

NORTH has lots of points - 26 to be exact. She opens 2TM£.

In the old days this hand would have been opened 3 NT.

SOUTH has 4 points and responds 2

âTM!

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NORTH now shows her full strength by jumping to 3 NT (25-27 points, balanced).

SOUTH knows there is no slam, so he passes 3 NT.

Deal 6

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ 7 5 4

♦ J 7 2

♣ 8 6 5 3

8
1 20
11

♠ Q 5
 ♥ 10 9
 ♦ K Q 10 9 5
 ♣ J 10 9 4

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	S	

♠ A 7 3
 ♥ A K Q 8 6 2
 ♦ 8 6
 ♣ A K

♠ K J 10 9 8
 ♥ J 3
 ♦ A 4 3
 ♣ Q 7 2

West	North	East	South
2 ♦	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
3 ♥ by East			

EAST has 22 points and opens 2 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathcal{L}$.

WEST is pretty weak, right? She responds 2

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

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EAST bids his suit, 2

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

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WEST is so weak she bids the second negative - 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathcal{L}$.

EAST rebids his suit, 3

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

, and WEST passes.