

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 8 7 4 3
♥ Q 7 5
♦ —
♣ 9 7 6 2

♠ 6 2
♥ 10 9
♦ A J 10 9 7 2
♣ 10 8 5



♠ 9
♥ J 8 6 4 3 2
♦ Q 8 6 4 3
♣ 3

7
5 3
25

♠ A J 10 5
♥ A K
♦ K 5
♣ A K Q J 4

West	North	East	South
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 ♦	Pass	7 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
7 ♠ by North			

NORTH's positive response shows 8+ points and five or more cards headed by at least two honors.

SOUTH figures a small slam would be safe, but just to be sure she uses Blackwood.

NORTH's 6

âTM!

reply shows one Key-card which must be the trump King,

and a

âTM!

void!

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SOUTH readjusts her thinking and decides to bid the Grand.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 3
♥ K 10 9 3
♦ A 6
♣ K Q 9 6

2
17 15
6

West
1 NT
4 NT
6 ♥
6 ♥ by East

♠ J 10 9 8 5
♥ J 6 4
♦ 7 2
♣ 10 4 2



♠ 7 4 2
♥ —
♦ J 10 9 8 5 4
♣ A J 5 3

North
Pass
Pass
Pass

♠ A 6
♥ A Q 8 7 5 2
♦ K Q 3
♣ 8 7

East
3 ♥
5 ♠
Pass

South
Pass
Pass
Pass

EAST jumps in

5♥

s, showing a good suit and slam interest.

WEST has great

5♥

support so bids RKCB 4 NT.

EAST responds 5♥, showing two Key
Cards and the

5♥

Q.

That is enough for WEST to bid the slam.

Deal 3

North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 8
♥ J 9 5 4 3
♦ 9 3
♣ 9 7 2

23
2 3
12

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

7 NT by South

♠ A Q 6 4
♥ A K Q
♦ A 5
♣ K J 6 3



♠ K 10 7 5 3 2
♥ 8
♦ K 8 6
♣ A Q 4

North

2 ♣

3 ♠

5 ♦

6 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♠

4 NT

5 ♥

7 NT

When NORTH agrees to \hat{A}^{TM} s, SOUTH will not stop short of a slam.

The RKCB 4 NT bid tells SOUTH that they have all five Key Cards since NORTH could hardly

have a 2 \hat{A}^{TM} opening hand with no Aces.

SOUTH's 5

\hat{A}^{TM} Y

bid is the Queen Ask, and NORTH's reply confirms that she holds

the \hat{A}^{TM} Q, and also has the \hat{A}^{TM} £K.

SOUTH figures the \hat{A}^{TM} suit will run, and this should be enough for Grand Slam. He chooses 7 NT.

Deal 4

East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 7 5 3
♥ 8
♦ K Q 7 2
♣ K Q 4

3
17 15
5

West

3 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

6 ♠ by West

♠ 2

♥ K 10 5 4 2

♦ 10 8 6 3

♣ 10 8 3



♠ J 10 9 4

♥ A 9 7 6

♦ 9 4

♣ 9 7 2

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

1 NT

4 ♠

5 ♠

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

♠ Q 8 6

♥ Q J 3

♦ A J 5

♣ A J 6 5

WEST knows there are enough points for slam, but she is worried about the trump suit.

EAST's support doesn't guarantee more than three \hat{a}^{TM} s, and if they are not headed

by the Queen she could lose a trump trick.

Her RKCB bid relieves her mind when WEST claims two Key Cards PLUS the \hat{a}^{TM} Q.

She bids 6 \hat{a}^{TM} (and hopes for a 3-2 trump split!).