

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 3
♥ J T 8 7 6
♦ 7 5 4
♣ K J 6

♠ Q J 9 8 7 5

♥ A 4

♦ K Q J

♣ 8 7

	N	
W		E
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♠ K
♥ 9 3 2
♦ A T 9 3 2
♣ T 5 4 2

♠ T 6 4 2
♥ K Q 5
♦ 8 6
♣ A Q 9 3

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

Baker Drury 6

You open in third seat and the bidding continues as shown.

Partner has a limit raise in ♠s and wonders if you have a full strength opening bid. Your 15 point hand is enough to insist on game, but opposite a passed hand you have no interest in a slam.

So you sign-off at 4♠.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 9 6

♥ A K

♦ 8 5 2

♣ 9 7 6 5

♠ 5 2

♥ T 9 6

♦ K Q 9 4 3

♣ Q J 8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K T 8 4 3

♥ J 5 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ A K

♠ A 7

♥ Q 8 7 4 2

♦ A T

♣ T 4 3 2

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

2 ♠ by West

Baker Drury 7

With 11 points in support of ♠s you need to let partner know. The way to do it is to bid 2♣.

Partner rebids 2♦, confirming a full-strength opening bid. What do you bid next?

You've told partner you had at least a limit raise, now you need to tell him that it is pretty minimal. You bid 2♠ and everybody passes.

Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A
 ♥ T 9 2
 ♦ A T 5 4 3 2
 ♣ Q J 4

♠ J T 9 6

♥ Q 8

♦ 8 6

♣ K 8 6 5 3

		N	
	W		E
	S		

♠ 4 3 2
 ♥ A J 6 5 3
 ♦ J 9
 ♣ A 9 7

♠ K Q 8 7 5
 ♥ K 7 4
 ♦ K Q 7
 ♣ T 2

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

3 ♠ by North

Baker Drury 8

You open in third seat and the bidding continues as shown.

If you thought North had 11 points you'd bid 4♠. But you know he has a weak hand - with T+ points and support he would have said 2♣.

His 3♠ bid is just preemptive, so you pass.