

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 4 3
♥ K 7
♦ K Q 7 6
♣ T 9 8

♠ A 5

♥ A Q 9 4 2

♦ T 8 5 3

♣ K 3



♠ K 8 7 2
♥ J 5 3
♦ 9 2
♣ A Q 6 4

♠ Q T 6
♥ T 8 6
♦ A J 4
♣ J 7 5 2

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|------|-------|------|-------|
| West | North | East | South |
| | 1♥ | Pass | 2♥ |

All Pass

2♥ by South

Baker Help 1

Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

There is no doubt that you could use some help in

♦s. But you need more than that, you need points.

This hand isn't good enough to invite to game so you pass.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6 5
♥ A T 7 6
♦ K T 3
♣ J T 8 4

♠ J 7 4 2

♥ K 8

♦ 9 6 5

♣ K 7 6 2

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♠ A 3

♥ J 9 2

♦ J 8 7 4 2

♣ Q 9 3

♠ K Q T 9 8
♥ Q 5 4 3
♦ A Q
♣ A 5

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| | | | 1♠ |
| Pass | 2♠ | Pass | 3♥ |

Pass

4♠

Pass

All Pass

Baker Help 2

Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

This is not a great hand by any means. If partner had invited with a 3♠ bid you might have passed. But he invited with a 3♥ bid, asking if you can Help him take care of losers in that suit. And you have loads of Help. Not only do you have a high honor but you can ruff the third round. So you bid 4♠.

4 ♠ by North

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

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

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

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

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|------|-------|----------|-------|
| West | North | East | South |
| | 1♠ | Pass | 2♠ |
| Pass | 4♠ | All Pass | |

4 ♠ by North

Baker Help 3

Decide what you would say next, then bid above.

You might make a Help Suit Game Try in ♣s, but with 19/20 points in your own hand you should just bid the game yourself. So you bid 4♠.

Board 4

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K T 9 7 6 5

♥ 4

♦ A T 9

♣ T 4 3

♠ J 4 2

♥ K 8 5

♦ 6 5 3

♣ A 7 6 2



♠ Q 8

♥ T 7 6 3

♦ K J 8

♣ Q J 9 5

♠ A 3

♥ A Q J 9 2

♦ Q 7 4 2

♣ K 8

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| Pass | 2♥ | Pass | 1♥ |
| Pass | 3♥ | All Pass | 3♦ |

3♥ by North

Baker Help 4

Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

Partner is inviting you to bid game, and your 8 points are right in the "judgement" area.

But he has asked you to use judgement based on your ♦ holding, which is awful. So you sign off at 3♥.

Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 9 6 5 4

♥ Q

♦ J 7 4 3 2

♣ 7

♠ K 3

♥ A J 9 7 2

♦ A K

♣ J 8 6 3



♠ 8 7

♥ T 5 4

♦ Q T 9

♣ A K Q 4 2

♠ Q J 2

♥ K 8 6 3

♦ 8 6 5

♣ T 9 5

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| | 1♥ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 3♥ |
| All Pass | | | |

3♥ by South

Baker Help 5

Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

You are almost strong enough to bid the game right now, but you are worried about ♣s. If partner can Help out in that suit you'd be willing to try for T tricks. So you make a Help Suit Game Try of 3♣. Partner replies 3♥. What do you say next?

When you ask partner to make a judgement call and he does so, you don't then override that call. You pass.