

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 5 4	♦ 6 4	♣ K 10 9 3
♥ A Q J 8 5 2	♦ A 6 4	♦ K J 9 8
♦ 9		
♣ A 6 3		

11	♠ 2
12 3	♥ K 10 9
14	♦ 10 8 5 3 2
	♣ 10 7 5 4

W	N	E	S
♠ A Q 8 7 6			
♥ 7 3			
♦ K Q J 7			
♣ Q 2			

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 ♥	3 ♥	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♠
4 ♠ by South			

You have a limit raise in ♠s; if West had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♠.

Instead, you cue-bid 3 ♥, promising at least 11 points and support for ♠s. Partner bids the game.

Deal 2 ♠ K Q 6 3
South Deals ♥ A 8 7 3
None Vul ♦ Q 8
 ♣ 8 4 2

♠ J 7 2 ♠ 5
♥ K Q ♥ J 10 5 2
♦ J 9 ♦ 10 6 5 4 3 2
♣ K J 10 9 7 6 ♣ Q 3



11
11 3
15
 ♠ A 10 9 8 4
 ♥ 9 6 4
 ♦ A K 7
 ♣ A 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by South			

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s.

With your 17 revalued points you know that your side has at least enough for game, so bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3

South Deals	♠ 8 5
None Vul	♥ Q 9 7 3
	♦ K Q 4
	♣ Q J 9 2

♠ A K Q J 10 9 3	♠ 6
♥ 8	♥ J 10 2
♦ 9 8 7 5	♦ 10 6 2
♣ 5	♣ A K 10 8 7 6



10	♠ 7 4 2
10	♥ A K 6 5 4
12	♦ A J 3
	♣ 4 3

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
1 ♠	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 ♥ by South			

You have a limit raise in ♥s; if West had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♥.

Instead, you cue-bid 2 ♠, promising at least 11 points and support for ♥s. Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner indicates a minimum hand and you don't have enough extra to bid more.

Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 7 5 2
 ♥ 9 6 2
 ♦ A 5
 ♣ 10 9 6

♠ A 3
 ♥ Q 8 7 4
 ♦ J 6 2
 ♣ 8 7 4 2



♠ J 10 8
 ♥ 10
 ♦ K Q 10 8 3
 ♣ Q J 5 3

♠ 9 6 4
 ♥ A K J 5 3
 ♦ 9 7 4
 ♣ A K

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

You have a pretty good hand and if partner has a limit raise or better you should bid 4 ♥.

But partner doesn't have a limit raise - if he did he would have cue-bid. So you pass.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 3

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 4

♣ 10 8 6 3

♠ 5

♥ K Q 10 9 8 5

♦ 9 8 2

♣ K Q 5

N

W E

S

♠ J 4 2

♥ A J 2

♦ 10 5 3

♣ A J 7 4

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ 9 2

10 7

11

12

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

2 ♥

3 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by South

You would have bid 2 ♠ if West had not overcalled.

Instead, with 4 trumps you can jump to 3 ♠ as a preemptive measure. Partner will not mistake this for a limit raise since you would have cue-bid with 11+ points and support.

The jump to 3 is based on the Law of Total Tricks - bidding to a trick level equal to the number of your side's trumps.