

Deal 1

East Deals	♠ A 8 6 4
None Vul	♥ Q 10 8 7
	♦ K 6 4 2
	♣ Q

♠ K 10 9 3 2	♠ Q J
♥ J 9 4	♥ A K 6 3
♦ 10 7 3	♦ A J 8
♣ 10 4	♣ 7 6 5 2



11	♠ 7 5
4 15	♥ 5 2
10	♦ Q 9 5
	♣ A K J 9 8 3

West	North	East	South
		1 NT	Dbl
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♣ by North			

This is a perfect hand with which to Disturb the Opponent's No Trump. You double and partner bids 2♣, the relay bid.

What do you say next?

You say pass, of course.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ A Q 3
♣ J 7 6 4

7
8 15
10

♠ A 7 6
♥ Q 10 5 3
♦ J 7 4 2
♣ 8 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 10 2
♥ A K 7
♦ K 10 9 5
♣ A 10 3

♠ K Q 9 8 5
♥ 6 4
♦ 8 6
♣ K Q 9 2

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

Partner has two suits, ♣s and something else.

With ♣s your worst suit, you prefer to play in something else. So you bid the next suit up-the-line, which is 2 ♦.

Partner corrects to 2 ♪, his "something else" and you pass.

Deal 3West Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 4
 ♥ A 6 3 2
 ♦ A K 4
 ♣ J 10 6

6
 15 7
 12

♠ 8 7
 ♥ K Q J 10 8 7
 ♦ 9 6 5
 ♣ 8 3

N
 W E
 S

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

♠ A K 6 3 2

♥ 9 4
 ♦ 8

♣ K Q 9 7 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♥ by North			

You have 12 HCP, certainly enough to use DONT in either seat. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2 ♣.

Partner says 2 ♥.

Partner would have bid 2 ♦, the next suit up the line, to ask you to name your other suit. His 2 ♥ bid says he wants to play right there.

So you pass.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

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

14
17 4
 5

	N		
W		E	
	S		

♠ A 3
 ♥ J 6 5
 ♦ A Q 8 6
 ♣ K 8 6 3

♠ 8 5
 ♥ 8 7
 ♦ J 9 4 3 2
 ♣ Q J 9 7

♠ Q 9 7 4 2
 ♥ K 10 9 4
 ♦ 7 5
 ♣ 4 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

2 ♥ by South

You would have opened 1♦ but after West opens 1 NT you must pass.

Partner bids 2 ♥ in the balancing seat.

The 2 ♥ bid shows ♥s and ♠s.

You like ♥s better and don't have enough strength to think about game so you pass.

Deal 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 3
♥ A Q 9 4
♦ K 10 6
♣ Q 9 2

8
15 7
10

♠ K Q J 9 7 5
♥ 5 2
♦ Q 9 5
♣ 8 3

♠ 2
♥ K 7 6
♦ 7 4 3 2
♣ K J 10 6 4

♠ 10 6 4
♥ J 10 8 3
♦ A J 8
♣ A 7 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♠ by North			

You have a good 6-card suit but only 8 HCP. This is bare minimum for a DONT bid. The fact that your suit is ♠s should sway you toward bidding.

But with the weak hand you bid 2 ♠ instead of double. Everybody passes.

Deal 6

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 10
 ♥ K J 7
 ♦ Q J 9 6
 ♣ A 10 7

16
 4
 16
 4

West

North

East

South

1 NT

Pass
1 NT by South

♠

9 7 4 2

♥

A 10 5

♦

8 3 2

♣

5 4 2



♠ 8 6 5 3
 ♥ Q 9 2
 ♦ 7 5 4
 ♣ Q 6 3

♠ K Q
 ♥ 8 6 4 3
 ♦ A K 10
 ♣ K J 9 8

With 16 points and a balanced hand you were planning on opening 1 NT yourself.

But one of the consequences of playing DONT is that you have no bid to describe this hand. You cannot double because then partner would just bid 2 ♣ as a relay and you wouldn't know where to go.

So you pass.