

**Deal 1**  
South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 8 5 3	♦ —	♣ K J 10 2	♠ K 10 4 2
♥ —	♦ A 10 8 5 3 2	♦ —	♥ A Q 10 9 6 3
♦ A 10 8 5 3 2	♦ —	♣ 8 7 4	♦ —
♣ K J 10 2	♦ —	♦ —	♣ 8 7 4
	9	N	♠ 9 7 6
8	8	W E	♥ 8 7 5 4 2
15		S	♦ K J 9
			♣ A 9
			♠ A Q J
			♥ K J
			♦ Q 7 6 4
			♣ Q 6 5 3
West	North	East	South
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	1 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	2 ♦
Pass			Pass
4 ♥ by North			

This is the follow-up to Deal T. South opens 1 NT. What do you respond?

Just like the previous deal with a 4-card Major you use Stayman. This time partner says 2 ♦. Your turn again.

With partner showing no 4-card Major the bidding takes a turn. With your 6 ♥s you are sure of an 8-card fit in the suit. With 11 points you must be sure of reaching game. So you bid 4 ♥.

In this case the strong hand does not become declarer, but the contract is the right one anyway.

**Deal 2**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

9	8	15
8	8	15



♠ Q 7 6 5
♥ J 10 9 8
♦ A 10
♣ J 9 6

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

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.  
What do you bid?

Partner has commanded you to bid a 4-card Major if you have one. You have one, so you bid 2 ♣. Partner now says 2 NT. What do you bid?

Partner evidently has 4 ♥s. He also evidently has about 9 points since he is INVITING you to bid 3 NT. With your minimum 15 points you decline the invitation by passing.

**Deal 3**

North Deals	♠ K Q 2
None Vul	♥ A 9 3
	♦ Q J 9 5
	♣ K Q 7

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

8	17	6
9		

N		E
W		S
♠ 7	♥ K Q 2	♦ 7 6 4 2
♦ J 10 8 3	♣ J 10 9 6 2	

♦ J 10 8 6	♦ K 10	♣ A 8 4
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West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass

Pass  
3 NT by North

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣. What do you bid?

With no 4-card Major you reply 2 ♦. What do you bid after partner next says 2 NT?

Partner seems to have about 9 points and is inviting you to say 3 NT. Since you have a maximum 17 point hand you accept the invitation.

**Deal 4**South Deals  
None Vul

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

9  
6 10  
15

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

♠ A 9  
 ♥ K 10 7 4  
 ♦ 10 4  
 ♣ K 6 4 3 2

♠ Q 7 6 2  
 ♥ Q 6 3  
 ♦ K Q J  
 ♣ A J 7

West      North      East      South

1 NT

Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	Pass

Pass

3 ♣ by South

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.  
What do you bid?

You bid 2 ♠. Partner next says 3 ♠. What do you say now?

Considering the bidding you have done so far you couldn't have a worse hand. With 4-3-3-3 distribution and a bare 15 points you most certainly don't want to accept any invitation from partner. So you pass. As you see, 9 tricks are not going to come easily.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

None Vul

**♠ A K 7 5 4****♥ 6 4 2****♦ 9 8 2****♣ 5 3****17  
7 7  
9****♠ J 6 2****♥ A 10 9 5****♦ K Q J 4****♣ A Q****♠ 8****♥ Q J****♦ 10 7 6 3****♣ K J 10 9 8 2**

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4 ♥ by North

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.

What do you bid?

You respond 2 ♥. Partner now says 3 ♥.  
What do you bid?

Partner has told you he has 4 ♥s and approximately 9 points. Add that to your 4 ♥s and 17 points and the total equals a game bid in ♥s. So you say 4 ♥.