

Board 1
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 6 5
 ♥ J 9 7 6
 ♦ Q J T 9
 ♣ T 4 2

♠ J 7 4 2
 ♥ K Q 5 4
 ♦ 8 2
 ♣ 7 5 3



♠ T
 ♥ A T 8 3
 ♦ 7 6 5 4 3
 ♣ A 9 6

♠ A K Q 9 8 3
 ♥ 2
 ♦ A K
 ♣ K Q J 8

West	North	East	South
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
All Pass			

5 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 1
 NORTH's 3 supporting bid is enough to convince
 SOUTH to make a slam try.

SOUTH bids Blackwood 4NT. If NORTH shows one
 Ace SOUTH plans to bid 6 but

when NORTH bids 5 SOUTH settles for 5

Board 2

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 5

♥ 3

♦ 8 7 5 2

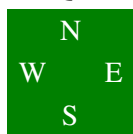
♣ 9 8 5

♠ A 6 4

♥ K J 9

♦ A K Q J 9

♣ K Q



♠ T 8 2

♥ 7 5 4 2

♦ 6 4

♣ A 6 3 2

♠ J 3

♥ A Q T 8 6

♦ T 3

♣ J T 7 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♦

Pass

6♥

All Pass

6♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 2
SOUTH makes a positive 3

response to NORTH's 2 opener.

This promises at least 8 points and a 5-card suit with two or more honors.

NORTH only needs to know one thing - how many Aces in the SOUTH hand.

A Blackwood 4NT tells her the answer is one, so she bids 6

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Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 8 3 2

♥ T 7 3

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ 6 4

♠ K Q

♥ K 6

♦ A 4

♣ K Q J 9 7 3 2

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♠ T 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 5

♦ T 7 5

♣ T 8

♠ A 9 7

♥ Q J 4 2

♦ K Q 8 6

♣ A 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

4♣

Pass

4♠

Pass

6NT

All Pass

6NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 3

When SOUTH opens 1NT, point-count alone tells NORTH that 6NT can surely be made.

SOUTH is bound to hold at least two Aces. But NORTH doesn't want to miss a Grand slam.

NORTH bids 4 (Gerber), and SOUTH admits to just two Aces.

So NORTH settles for the small slam.

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 7
 ♥ Q T 2
 ♦ J 6 5 2
 ♣ J 6 4 3

♠ J 9 5 2
 ♥ A J 7 4 3
 ♦ A Q
 ♣ 9 8



♠ 8
 ♥ 9 8 6
 ♦ T 9 8 4
 ♣ Q T 7 5 2

♠ A K Q 6 4 3
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ K 7 3
 ♣ A K

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 4

SOUTH has a powerhouse and knows she will reach a slam somewhere. When NORTH

supports the ♠ it seems she has found her spot.

Blackwood tells her that NORTH has two Aces.

She can see there are 12 tricks available and decides to take a chance that

NORTH will have a thirteenth trick somewhere among his opening hand points.

She bids 7NT.