

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8

♥ 7 6

♦ T 9 3

♣ A T 8 6 5 4 2

♠ A K Q J

♥ A Q T 4 3

♦ A J 8

♣ 7

N
W
E
S

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ 2

♦ 6 5 2

♣ K Q J 9 3

♠ 7 6 4 2

♥ K J 9 8 5

♦ K Q 7 4

♣ -

West	North	East	South
	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	6♣
Pass	7♥	All Pass	

7 ♥ by North

Baker Roman 11

With 11 points and a good suit you should make a positive response. So you bid 2♥. Partner then says 4NT. What is your bid?

The 4NT bid agrees ♥s as trump. You have one Key-Card, the ♥K, but you also have a void in ♣s. You therefore answer 6♣. Partner goes all the way to 7♥.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 4
♥ 8 6 5
♦ A 9 7 4
♣ 9 6 5 4 3

♠ K 6 5 2

♥ A Q 7 4

♦ K 8 6

♣ A Q

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 8 3
♥ 9 3 2
♦ 5 2
♣ T 8 7 2

♠ A T 9 7
♥ K J T
♦ Q J T 3
♣ K J

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♠
All Pass			

5 ♠ by South

Baker Roman 12

The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would say next, then bid on BID above.

Partner has 15-17 points and 4 ♠s. You have 18 points and 4 ♠s. You plan to bid the slam, but first you check Key-Cards. So you bid 4NT. Partner says 5♣. What do you bid?

You are missing 1 Key-Card. Slam has become less certain. You decide to see if partner has the trump Queen so you bid 5♦. Partner bids 5♠. What do you say next?

Partner denies having the ♠Q. Knowing that the best you could hope for would be a finesse to make the slam you give up your quest and pass.

Board 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ T 8 4 2
♥ Q J
♦ J 3 2
♣ T 7 4 2

♠ A K Q J 3

♥ T 8 7 5

♦ K

♣ K Q J

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 6 5
♥ 4 3 2
♦ T 8 6 5
♣ 9 8 6 3

♠ 9 7
♥ A K 9 6
♦ A Q 9 7 4
♣ A 5

West	North	East	South
		Pass	1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5♦	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

Baker Roman 13

Your 2♥ bid is a Reverse, showing 17+ points.

There has been no agreement on trumps, so you assume that North has implicitly agreed to ♥s. So you respond 5♣, showing 4 Key-Cards, three Aces and the ♥K. Partner next bids 5♦. What do you say?

5♦ is the Queen Ask. Partner obviously is thinking about a Grand Slam and wants to know whether you hold the trump Queen (♥Q). Since you do not have the card you return to the agreed trump suit at the lowest level - which is 5♥. Partner now bids 6♥.

Board 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 8 5
♥ T 7
♦ 9 4 3 2
♣ 9 7 5

♠ A 6 3
♥ A K 9 8 6 5
♦ K
♣ A 3 2

	N	E
W		E
	S	

♠ Q T 4 2
♥ 4 2
♦ 6
♣ Q J T 8 6 4

♠ K 7
♥ Q J 3
♦ A Q J T 8 7 5
♣ K

West	North	East	South
	1♥	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	5NT
Pass	6♦	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

Baker Roman 14

The bidding has been as shown. Yes, you could have jump-shifted on your first bid. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

Slam in ♥s is almost certain, but you should check for Key-Cards. You bid 4NT and partner says 5♣. What do you bid next?

Partner shows 1 or 4 Key-cards. Since he jumped on the second round you figure it must be 4. So you have all the Key-Cards. Time to find out about the other Kings, so you bid 5NT. Partner replies 6♦. What do you bid?

Partner has 1 King, the only one left, the ♦ K. You can count about 17 high-card tricks available so you bid 7NT.

Board 5

South Deals ♠ -
 N-S Vul ♥ A T 9 6
 ♦ K Q J 7 4
 ♣ J T 8 3
 ♠ A K 9 5 4 3 2
 ♥ 7 2
 ♦ 9 6 2
 ♣ 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 7
 ♥ 5 4
 ♦ A 8 5 3
 ♣ 9 7 5 4

♠ T 8 6
 ♥ K Q J 8 3
 ♦ T
 ♣ A K Q 6

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

Baker Roman 15

Your 3♠ bid is a Splinter, agreeing ♥s as trump, and showing opening hand strength with a singleton or void in ♠s. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

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You have one Key-Card, the ♥A. You also have a ♠ void, but since bidding 6♠ would take you above the 6♥ level you just respond 6♥. Partner will deduce that your void is in ♠s, particularly because you Splintered in that suit. Partner passes your 6♥ bid.