

Deal 1
South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 6 2
♥ J 10 4 2
♦ Q 8
♣ K Q 9 4

13
8 6
13

♠ A K 10 3
♥ A Q 7 5
♦ 10 9 5
♣ 7 2

♠ 7 4
♥ 8 6 3
♦ A J 7 4 3
♣ J 10 5

♠ Q J 8 5
♥ K 9
♦ K 6 2
♣ A 8 6 3

West North East South

Pass	1 ♥	Pass	1 ♣
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by South			

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 ♠]

If you thought you couldn't bid 1 ♠ because it would have been a Reverse just think again.

A Reverse is when you bid a higher-ranking second suit at the 2-level. This is just normal bidding of suits up the line.

Partner now takes control and bids the ♠ game.

Deal 2

South Deals	♠ K Q 8 3
None Vul	♥ Q J
	♦ K J 6
	♣ J 10 9 7

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

5	13	8
14		

W	N	E
S		
♠ A 9 5	♥ 10 7 6 5 3	♦ A 9
		♣ 8 3 2

♦ Q 5 4	♣ K Q 5
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♣
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	1 NT
Pass	3 NT	ALL	Pass
3 NT by South			

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 NT]

Don't bid 2 ♥. That would be a Reverse, showing at least 17 points. A 2 ♥ bid would also show longer ♣s than ♥s. Don't bid 2 ♠. That would be showing 4-card support.

So with your minimum hand you bid 1 NT which partner raises to 3 NT.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 8 6 2
♥ 7 4 2
♦ 6 3
♣ J 10 8

W	N
S	E

♠ J 3
♥ Q 8
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K 7 6 2

♠ A Q 8 6 2
♥ 7 4 2
♦ 6 3
♣ J 10 8

♠ K 10 9 4
♥ K 10 9 6
♦ 10 8 2
♣ 9 5

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

The bidding has gone as shown. At your first turn you bid your ♥ suit, up-the-line. Decide what you would say next, then click on BID above. [BID 2 NT]

You only have 7 points, but partner Reversed so you cannot pass. You need to make a bid to show your minimum, and you cannot support either of partner's suits, nor can you rebid your ♥s.

However, you also cannot bid your ♠ suit. That would be fourth-suit-forcing, and would show a game forcing hand of 9 or more points.

Instead you bid 2 NT. Partner has a bare 17 so he passes.

Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 10 7 3
 ♥ J 6 4
 ♦ K 6 2
 ♣ 7 5 4

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 8 4
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	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 4 2
 ♥ 9 7 5 3
 ♦ 9 8 7 4
 ♣ A 3 2

♠ J
 ♥ A Q 10
 ♦ A Q J 3
 ♣ Q J 9 8 6

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
Pass	3♠	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	

3 NT by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2♦]

With 18 points you have enough to make a Reverse. So you bid 2♦. Partner now says 3♠. What do you bid? [BID 3 NT]

Partner's jump bid shows a 6-card suit and enough points to insist on game. You don't have ♠ support but you do have good ♥ stoppers so you bid 3 NT.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6	♦ 9 6 3	♣ A Q J 10 3
♥ A K Q 4		

♠ K 10 4 3 2	♦ K J 2	♣ 9 5 2
♥ 7 2		

♦ K J 2	♣ A Q J 10 3
♣ 9 5 2	♠ J 7
16 7 8 9	♥ J 9 3
	♦ A Q 10 7 5
	♣ 8 6 4
	♠ A Q 9 8 5
	♥ 10 8 6 5
	♦ 8 4
	♣ K 7



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

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 4 ♥]

With his Reverse, partner has shown at least 17 points and at least 4 ♥s.

You could fall back on the guidelines and say that with 10 points you need to make a positive bid at this time, but it is simpler to just rely on "SHE WHO KNOWS, GOES."

Since you know of an 8-card ♥ fit and at least 27 points you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 6
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ A 9 8 2
 ♥ 10 4
 ♦ J 9 2
 ♣ K 9 7 6

8 7
 8
 17

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

suit.

Things would have gotten confusing, to say the least.

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

♠ K Q J 6 4
 ♥ A K J 7 6
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ 5

♠ 3
 ♥ Q 9 5 3
 ♦ 10 8 7 4
 ♣ A Q 3 2

N
 W E
 S

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 ♠]

It may be tempting to open 1 ♥, planning on Reversing in ♠ at your second turn to show your big hand.

Don't. A Reverse should always show an unbalanced hand with the first suit longer. So you open 1 ♠ and partner replies 2 ♠.

What do you bid? [BID pass]

If you had opened 1 ♥ partner would have replied 1 NT. Then when you Reversed with 2 ♠ he would have assumed you had a 4-card ♠ suit and would probably have put you back in ♥s, your known 5-card suit.

Deal 7

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A K	♦ A 6 4 2
♥ 5 2	♣ A K 10 7 4

♠ Q 9 6 5 3	♦ Q 8 5
♥ Q 7 4	♣ 6 2

♦ Q 8 5	♣ 6 2
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♣ 6 2

18	6 9
7	



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

♠ 10 7 4	♦ K 7 3
♥ K J 9 8	♣ 9 8 5

West	North	East	South
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	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
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Pass

2 ♦	Pass	3 ♣
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Pass

Pass

3 ♣ by North

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 ♣]

You would really love to pass. You have a terrible hand and you like the ♦s better than the ♣s.

But you are forced to bid. And since partner has 5 ♣s and only 4 ♦s, you should take him back to his first suit.

Mercifully he passes.

Deal 8North Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 3 2
 ♥ J 10 9
 ♦ 7 3 2
 ♣ A 8 6 5

16
5 8
11

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

N
 W E
 S

♠ A 9 6 4
 ♥ 7 5 4 2
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ 4 3 2

♠ K Q 10 5
 ♥ Q 8
 ♦ J 9 4
 ♣ Q J 9 7

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

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 NT]

When partner shows 17+ points with his Reverse you are sure you belong in game. Since he did not support your ♠s you know he doesn't have four of them. You also know you have an 8-card fit in ♦s, but surely nine tricks in Notrump will be easier than eleven in ♦s.

Deal 9

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 9 8 7

♥ J 9 4

♦ A 4 2

♣ 9 5

10
6
16
8

♠ Q 5 2

♥ A 8 6 3

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 8 4 3



♠ K 10 4

♥ Q 10 7 2

♦ 10 9 8

♣ Q J 6

♠ 6 3
♥ K 5
♦ K Q J 6
♣ A K 10 7 2

West North East South

1 ♣

Pass 1 ♥

Pass 2 ♦

Pass 3 ♣

Pass Pass

3 ♣ by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2 ♦]

With 17 points you have a perfect hand for a Reverse. So you bid 2 ♦. Partner then says 3 ♣. What do you say? [BID pass]

Partner's return to your ♣ suit shows he has fewer than 9 points. Although it is possible to devise a hand for him where your side could make 3 NT, the risk is too great.

So you pass. It's a good thing, too.

Deal 10

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 3
 ♥ J
 ♦ A K 6 4
 ♣ A K 9 8 3

♠ A Q 6 4 2

♥ 6 3

♦ Q 10 2

♣ Q 5 2

	N		E	
W				S

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

16
10 9
5

♠ 10 8 5
 ♥ K Q 9 8 7 4
 ♦ 8 3
 ♣ 7 6

West	North	East	South
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
2 ♥ by South			

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2 ♥]

You have 7 points, and basically nothing but s♥. You must make a minimum bid, and the only reasonable one is 2 ♥. Despite his 17 points, partner passes.

Deal 11South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 4 2
 ♥ 5 3
 ♦ 5 3 2
 ♣ K Q 10 9

6 7
 10
 17

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A K 8 6
 ♥ 7 2
 ♦ 10 9 8
 ♣ 7 6 5 4

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1♦
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♦	Pass	5♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5♦ by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2♥]

You have an ideal hand for a Reverse, so you bid 2♥.

Partner now bids 3♦. What do you say? [BID 5♦]

Partner has a minimum hand, but at least he came up with a preference for ♦s.

There are no guarantees here, but you should probably try 5♦.

Deal 12

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 8 2
♥ Q 6 4
♦ 10 6 2
♣ J 7 5

8
7 8
17

W	N	E	S
♠ 6	♥ KJ 9 5 3	♦ 9 8 7 4	♣ A 4 2

♠ J 5
♥ A 10
♦ A Q J 3
♣ K Q 9 8 6

West North East South

1 ♣

Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by North

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2 ♦]

With 18 points you have enough to make a Reverse. So you bid 2 ♦. Partner now says 3 ♠. What do you bid? [BID 4 ♠]

Partner's jump bid shows a 6-card suit and enough points to insist on game. With your ♥ stopper you might be considering 3 NT, but since you know of an 8-card ♠ fit you decide on 4 ♠.

Be very glad that you did. 3 NT would go down with a ♥ opening lead while 4 ♠ is cold.

Deal 13

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J
♥ K 8 4
♦ A Q 10 9
♣ K Q J 10 7

♠ K 10 7 5 2

♥ J 9 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 9 4 2

16
4 8
12

	N	
W	E	S

♠ Q 9
♥ A Q 10 5 2
♦ 7 5 3
♣ 8 6 3

♠ A 8 6 4 3

♥ 7 6

♦ K J 6 4

♣ A 5

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

5 ♦ by North

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 4 ♦]

With partner showing 17 or more points, your 13 brings you to game level. You want to support partner's ♦s but you must jump to show that you have more than 8 points. So you bid 4 ♦ and partner raises it to game.

Deal 14

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 8 3

♥ 8 5 2

♦ 10 9 5

♣ Q J 3

♠ J 5 4 2

♥ A J

♦ J 6 3

♣ K 9 7 6

10 7
14 9

♠ K Q 7 6

♥ 10 9 4 3

♦ A 7

♣ 5 4 2

♠ 9

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ K Q 8 4 2

♣ A 10 8

West

North

East

South

1♦

Pass

1♠

Pass

1 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 NT by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 NT]

You only have 15 points, not enough to Reverse, so you cannot bid the ♥ suit.

Instead you content yourself with 1 NT. Partner passes.