

Board 1

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 8 7 5
 ♥ T 7 6
 ♦ T 8 5 2
 ♣ 2

♠ K Q 6

♥ K Q 4

♦ A 7 4

♣ K T 9 6



♠ J T 4 2

♥ J 9 3 2

♦ Q 9 6

♣ J 3

♠ 3

♥ A 8 5

♦ K J 3

♣ A Q 8 7 5 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	1NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	4♣	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♣
Pass			

6♣ by South

Baker Notrump 11

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1NT and partner responds 3♣. What is your next bid?

Partner's jump to 3♣ shows at least 5♣s and slam interest. Your hand is good enough to encourage that interest so you bypass 3NT and say 4♣. Partner now bids 4NT. What do you answer?

That is Blackwood. You admit to one Ace and partner bids 6♣.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 7 5 2
♥ 5
♦ K 9 8 7 5
♣ A 7 2

♠ K 9 6
♥ K J 6 4
♦ A Q 4
♣ Q J 5

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♠ J T 4 3
♥ A T
♦ J T 3 2
♣ K 8 4

♠ Q 8
♥ Q 9 8 7 3 2
♦ 6
♣ T 9 6 3

West

1 ♦

All Pass

North

1NT

East

Pass

South

2 ♥

2 ♥ by South

Baker Notrump 12

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

A 1NT overcall is almost the same as a 1NT opening.

The range is increased to 15-18, but the main difference is that you must have the opponent's suit adequately stopped. Here you certainly have the stopper so you bid 1NT. Partner responds 2♥. What do you bid next?

And the responses are the same also. Partner's 2♥ bid is a signoff bid, often called a "drop dead" bid. So even though you really like the ♥s you pass.

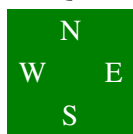
Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 4 3
♥ J T 7 4
♦ J T 8
♣ K J 5

♠ A J 8
♥ K 9 5 2
♦ A Q 4
♣ A Q 9



♠ 9 6
♥ A Q 6
♦ K 9 6 3 2
♣ 6 4 3

♠ K Q T 7 2
♥ 8 3
♦ 7 5
♣ T 8 7 2

West	North	East	South
	2NT	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4♠ by North

Baker Notrump 13

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

With a balanced 20 point hand you open 2NT.

Partner responds 3♠. What do you bid next?

Partner is showing a 5-card ♠ suit and at least 5 points. This is a forcing bid; you are to choose between 3NT and 4♠, depending on your ♠ holding. With three of them you bid 4♠.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J T 7 5 4
♥ T 5 3
♦ A 8 5
♣ 7

♠ K 9 8 3

♥ K Q 2

♦ T 7 4

♣ 9 5 3



♠ 2

♥ 9 8 7 4

♦ Q 9 3

♣ A K J T 2

♠ A 6

♥ A J 6

♦ K J 6 2

♣ Q 8 6 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

Baker Notrump 14

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have 8 points. Even if partner has the maximum 17 it would only add to 25, which is probably not enough to make game. You should pass.

Board 5

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 7 4
♥ 6 5 4 3
♦ A J 6 5
♣ 9 7

♠ K 9 3

♥ K Q 2

♦ T 9 7 4

♣ J 5 3

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♠ T 8 6 5

♥ J T 8

♦ K 2

♣ A 8 6 2

♠ A Q 2

♥ A 9 7

♦ Q 8 3

♣ K Q T 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

Pass

3NT

All Pass

3 NT by South

Baker Notrump 15

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 9 points you have just enough strength for an invitation. So you bid 2NT. Partner then says 3NT and everybody passes.