

Deal 1

South Deals	♠ A K 6 3 2
None Vul	♥ 9 3
	♦ 9 7 2
	♣ Q 9 2

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



9	♠ Q 9 7
11 6	♥ J 8 7
14	♦ A K 6
	♣ K J 10 4

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

Compare this hand with Deal 6.

NORTH has five ♠'s, this time so she bids 1♦.

SOUTH knows there

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an 8-card fit in ♠'s, so he bids 2♦.

NORTH has 10 points so she passes.

Deal 2

North Deals	♠ Q 4 3
None Vul	♥ J 5 2
	♦ J 8 4 2
	♣ Q 6 3
	♠ 9 7
	♥ K 8 7 4
	♦ K Q 6
	♣ K 10 9 4

$\begin{matrix} 6 \\ 11 \quad 15 \\ 8 \end{matrix}$		$\begin{matrix} \spadesuit A 5 2 \\ \heartsuit A Q 10 9 3 \\ \diamondsuit 9 7 \\ \clubsuit A J 2 \end{matrix}$	
		$\begin{matrix} \spadesuit K J 10 8 6 \\ \heartsuit 6 \\ \diamondsuit A 10 5 3 \\ \clubsuit 8 7 5 \end{matrix}$	
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		Pass 1 ♥	1 ♠
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
			$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \Psi$
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happily pass.

WEST has 11/12 points, a Limit Raise in

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \Psi$

s. So after the overcall

he makes a Support Cue-bid of $2\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

EAST adds her 16 to the 11 that WEST has promised as a minimum and goes straight

to 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}} \Psi$

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If WEST had significantly more than 11 he could bid on, but in this case he should

Deal 3

East Deals	♠ 9 7
None Vul	♥ K 8 7 4
	♦ 10 8 6
	♣ K 10 9 4
♠ A Q J 10 6	♠ K 4 3
♥ 6	♥ J 5 2
♦ A Q 5 3	♦ K J 4 2
♣ 8 7 5	♣ J 6 3



6	♠ 8 5 2
13 9	♥ A Q 10 9 3
12	♦ 9 7
	♣ A Q 2

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	3 ♥	Pass	1 ♥
Pass		Pass	Pass

3 ♥ by South

Compare this with Deal 8.

NORTH has 7 points, barely enough for a 2

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raise if there had been no overcall.

But when WEST puts in the â™ bid,
NORTH can jump to 3

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as a preemptive

measure. He knows SOUTH won't think he has strength because he did not make a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH does know it and passes 3

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Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 9 7 3
 ♥ 6 4
 ♦ 6 3
 ♣ K J 10 4

4
 11 13
 12



♠ J 10 5
 ♥ Q 8 5 2
 ♦ J 10 5 4
 ♣ 9 6

♠ Q 8 6 2
 ♥ A K 9 3
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ A 8 2

♠ 4
 ♥ J 10 7
 ♦ A K Q 8 2
 ♣ Q 7 5 3

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

EAST has the strength for a raise to game in ♠'s, but this could be dangerous since WEST

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead, EAST shows her strength with a Support Cue-bid.

WEST in fact had a pretty good overcall so he jumps to 3♦ and EAST bids the game.

With a weak overcall WEST would have just returned to 2♦ which EAST would pass.

Deal 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 5 4

♥ Q 8

♦ A K J 10 5 4

♣ J

12
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♠ A K 9 7 3

♥ 6 5 4

♦ Q 3

♣ 7 6 3



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♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ K Q 10 9 5 4

♠ Q 8 6 2
♥ A K 9 3
♦ 9 7
♣ A 8 2

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

Pass

2 ♠ by North

Compare this to Deal 10.

SOUTH has the strength for a raise to game in ♦'s, but this could be dangerous since NORTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead, SOUTH shows her strength with a Support Cue-bid.

NORTH has very minimal overcall so he just bids 2♦ which SOUTH passes.

Deal 6East Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 7 5
 ♥ Q J 9 3
 ♦ A 10 8 2
 ♣ Q 8

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 11 20
 9

West
 2 ♠
 5 ♦
 Pass
 6 ♥ by East

♠ 10 6 4 2

♥ 4 2

♦ 9 5

♣ 10 9 5 3 2



♠ 8
 ♥ A K 10 8 7
 ♦ K Q J 4
 ♣ A K 6

♠ A K J 9 3
 ♥ 6 5
 ♦ 7 6 3
 ♣ J 7 4

North East South
 Pass 4 NT Pass
 Pass 6 ♥ Pass

EAST has a maximum 1

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opening bid.

WEST would have made a Limit Raise in

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s, but after SOUTH's overcall she

makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

EAST thinks there may be a slam and bids 4 NT Blackwood to check for Aces. When WEST admits to one Ace

EAST bids the slam.