

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 2
 ♥ K 10 9
 ♦ 10 8 5 3 2
 ♣ 10 7 5 4

14
 3 12
 11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ Q 2



♠ K 10 9 3

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 4

♣ K J 9 8

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♥

Pass

You have a limit raise in ♠s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♠.

Instead, you cue-bid 3 ♥, promising at least 11 points and support for ♠s. Partner bids the game.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 6 3

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ Q 8

♣ 8 4 2

3
11 15
11

West

3 ♣

Pass

4 ♠ by East

♠ 5

♥ J 10 5 2

♦ 10 6 5 4 3 2

♣ Q 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 7 2

♥ K Q

♦ J 9

♣ K J 10 9 7 6

North

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♠

4 ♠

South

2 ♣

Pass

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s.

With your 17 revalued points you know that your side has at least enough for game, so bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K Q J 10 9 3

♥ 8

♦ 9 8 7 5

♣ 5

10
10 8
12

West

1 ♠

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ 8 5

♥ Q 9 7 3

♦ K Q 4

♣ Q J 9 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 4 2

♥ A K 6 5 4

♦ A J 3

♣ 4 3

North

2 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

3 ♥

You have a limit raise in ♥s; if West had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♥.

Instead, you cue-bid 2 ♠, promising at least 11 points and support for ♥s. Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner indicates a minimum hand and you don't have enough extra to bid more.

Deal 4

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 4

♥ A K J 5 3

♦ 9 7 4

♣ A K

9
15 7
9

West

1 ♥

Pass

3 ♥ by West

♠ K Q 7 5 2

♥ 9 6 2

♦ A 5

♣ 10 9 6



♠ J 10 8

♥ 10

♦ K Q 10 8 3

♣ Q J 5 3

North

1 ♠

Pass

East

3 ♥

South

Pass

You have a pretty good hand and if partner has a limit raise or better you should bid 4 ♥.

But partner doesn't have a limit raise - if he did he would have cue-bid. So you pass.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 4 2
 ♥ A J 2
 ♦ 10 5 3
 ♣ A J 7 4

12
 11 10
 7

West

Pass

3 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ 9 2



♠ K 10 9 3

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 4

♣ 10 8 6 3

North

1 ♠

Pass

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♠

You would have bid 2 ♠ if East had not overcalled.

Instead, with 4 trumps you can jump to 3 ♠ as a preemptive measure. Partner will not mistake this for a limit raise since you would have cue-bid with 11+ points and support.

The jump to 3 is based on the Law of Total Tricks - bidding to a trick level equal to the number of your side's trumps.

Deal 6

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 4 3
 ♥ K 10 6 4
 ♦ A Q 5
 ♣ Q 9 3

7
 11 12
 10

West

2 ♠

Pass

3 ♥ by East

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ J 10 4 2



♠ A K 7 5 2

♥ 8 3 2

♦ K 3

♣ 8 7 6

North

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♥

3 ♥

South

1 ♠

Pass

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s,
 11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones
 minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥,
 which partner passes.