

Deal 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q J 10 6
 ♥ 6
 ♦ A Q 5 3
 ♣ 8 7 5

6
 13 9
 12

West

1 ♠

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ 9 7
 ♥ K 8 7 4
 ♦ 10 8 6
 ♣ K 10 9 4



♠ 8 5 2
 ♥ A Q 10 9 3
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ A Q 2

North

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

Pass

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™Ÿ 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 2

East Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 5
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ J 10 5 4
♣ 9 6

13
4 12
11

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ Q 8 6 2
♥ A K 9 3
♦ 9 7
♣ A 8 2



♠ A K 9 7 3
♥ 6 4
♦ 6 3
♣ K J 10 4

North

2 ♦
4 ♠

East

1 ♦
Pass
Pass

South

1 ♠
3 ♠
Pass

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

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

SOUTH in fact had a pretty good overcall so he jumps to 3♠ and NORTH bids the game.

With a weak overcall SOUTH would have just returned to 2♠ which NORTH would pass.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 6 2

♥ A K 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ A 8 2

♠ —

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ K Q 10 9 5 4



♠ J 10 5 4

♥ Q 8

♦ A K J 10 5 4

♣ J

♠ A K 9 7 3

♥ 6 5 4

♦ Q 3

♣ 7 6 3

13
6 12
9

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 ♠

2 ♠ by South

Compare this to Deal 10.

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

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

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

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K J 9 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 7 6 3

♣ J 7 4

11
9 0
20

♠ Q 7 5

♥ Q J 9 3

♦ A 10 8 2

♣ Q 8

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♠ 8

♥ A K 10 8 7

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A K 6

♠ 10 6 4 2

♥ 4 2

♦ 9 5

♣ 10 9 5 3 2

*West**North**East**South*

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

2 ♠

5 ♦

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♥

4 NT

6 ♥

SOUTH has a maximum 1

♠

opening bid.

NORTH would have made a Limit Raise in

♠

s, but after WEST's overcall she

makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

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

SOUTH bids the slam.