

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ T 6 2

♥ A T

♦ T 9 8 4 2

♣ T 9 2

♠ A K J 9 8 3

♥ 7

♦ A K J 3

♣ 7 5



♠ 5

♥ K Q J 8 4 3

♦ 7 6

♣ K Q J 4

West	North	East	South
		1♥	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

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EAST's 1

opening is passed around to NORTH. He is

tempted to overcall 1 but with 18 points is a little strong for a mere overcall.

Instead, he doubles.

With 8 points SOUTH is not strong enough to jump. She bids 2 .

NORTH now bids 2 By doubling first, then bidding his own suit,

he shows a good suit and 17+ points.

SOUTH raises to 4 .

Board 2

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 7
♥ A 9 7 6
♦ A 6 2
♣ K 9 6 3

♠ K Q 5 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ K J 9 8 5

♣ J

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	S	

♠ A J 9
♥ K Q 8
♦ Q 7 4
♣ A Q 8 5

♠ T 6 3

♥ T 5 3 2

♦ T 3

♣ T 7 4 2

West	North	East	South
2♣	1♠	1NT	Pass
3NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
All Pass			

3 NT by West

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EAST has 18 points, a balanced hand, and a good stopper in their suit. He should overcall 1NT.

For 1NT overcalls, the range is increased to 15-18 points.

WEST bids 2 (Stayman), just as she would with a 1NT opening. When EAST denies holding

a 4-card Major WEST has enough points to bid 3NT. She doesn't worry about a stopper

since EAST promised he had the suit controlled.

Board 3

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 3
 ♥ T 8 5
 ♦ T
 ♣ 9 5 3 2

♠ J T 5 2

♥ 7 6 4 2

♦ 8 6

♣ J 8 6

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♠ 4
 ♥ A 9 3
 ♦ K Q 5 4 3 2
 ♣ A T 7

♠ A 8 6
 ♥ K Q J
 ♦ A J 9 7
 ♣ K Q 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♠	Pass	Dbl
All Pass			1NT

1 NT by South

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 SOUTH has 20 points, excellent

stoppers and a balanced hand.

She is two points too strong to overcall 1NT. Instead, she doubles.

NORTH has an awful hand - but since he is forced to bid he says 1 assuming SOUTH wants

to hear his best suit.

SOUTH now bids 1NT, showing the balanced 19-21 point hand. NORTH passes, of course.

Board 4

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A Q T
♦ K J 7 5
♣ A K 6

♠ T 9 8 5

♥ 9 4

♦ T 9 6 2

♣ 5 3 2



♠ K J 6 2
♥ 6 5
♦ A Q 3
♣ 9 8 7 4

♠ A 3
♥ K J 8 7 3 2
♦ 8 4
♣ Q J T

West	North	East	South
Dbl	Pass	2 ♠	1 ♥
3NT	All Pass		Pass

3 NT by West

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WEST has a 19 point balanced hand, including a stop in

s.

He plans to double, then bid NT. (see Deal 9)

EAST has 10 points though, so he jumps to 2 .

In theory WEST could now bid 2NT to continue the description of his hand, but he might as well

go ahead and bid 3NT instead.

Board 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ -
♥ K Q T 7 3
♦ A 9 8 7 5
♣ Q 5 3

♠ A Q T 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q T

♣ A 9 7 4

N
W
E
S

♠ 9 8 7 6
♥ J 9 2
♦ 6 4
♣ K T 8 6

♠ K J 4 2
♥ A 8 5
♦ K J 3 2
♣ J 2

West	North	East	South
1♥	1♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

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With a 5-card suit and 13 points NORTH should overcall 1 .

SOUTH has 13 points and four If NORTH had opened, SOUTH's hand would be good enough

to insist on game. But since NORTH overcalled, SOUTH merely invites with a jump to 3 .

NORTH has better than a minimum overcall so she accepts the invitation and bids 4 .

Board 6

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J 6 4

♥ J T 7 5

♦ 6

♣ A K J 3

♠ T 9 7 5

♥ 2

♦ Q 9 8 7 3

♣ T 7 2



♠ A 8 2

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 4

♣ Q 8 6 4

♠ Q 3

♥ K Q 9 8 6 4

♦ A 5 2

♣ 9 5

West

North

East

South

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WEST has a very minimum Takeout Double of 1

Dbl

Pass

4♥

All Pass

. But what it lacks

in strength, it makes up for with perfect distribution.

EAST has 13 points and only wants to play in one contract, 4

4♥ by East

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WEST passes happily.