

Board 1

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

1 ♥

Pass

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

All Pass

South

3 ♠

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

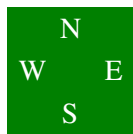
to insist on game. But since NORTH overcalled, SOUTH merely invites with a jump to 3 .

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

Board 2
 South Deals
 N-S 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



♠ Q 3
 ♥ K Q 9 8 6 4
 ♦ A 5 2
 ♣ 9 5

♠ A 8 2
 ♥ A 3
 ♦ K J T 4
 ♣ Q 8 6 4

West	North	East	South
			1 ♦
Dbf	Pass	4 ♥	All Pass

4 ♥ by East

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 WEST has a very minimum Takeout Double of 1

. 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

.

WEST passes happily.

Board 3

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K 5
 ♥ A 4
 ♦ K 8 7 5 3
 ♣ J 7 6 3

♠ A T 9 4
 ♥ K Q J 7
 ♦ Q 6
 ♣ A Q 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 8 3 2
 ♥ 9 8 6 3
 ♦ T 2
 ♣ 9 8 5

♠ J 7 6
 ♥ T 5 2
 ♦ A J 9 4
 ♣ K T 2

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3NT by North

so she bids 3NT.

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NORTH has 18 points, a doubleton in the opponent's suit, and at least three cards in the unbid suits.

This is an ideal hand for a Takeout Double.

SOUTH has good strength in WEST's

suit, probably two stoppers.

He has 9 points and no 4-card suit of his own. This is the type of hand to respond 1NT.

NORTH is happy to play Notrump now that she knows the

s are covered,

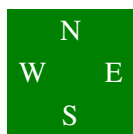
Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 8
 ♥ A J 9 2
 ♦ A J 6
 ♣ Q 9 8 3

♠ J T
 ♥ K T 7 6 3
 ♦ Q 9 8 5
 ♣ A K



♠ A K 9 6 4
 ♥ Q 5
 ♦ K 7 4
 ♣ J T 7

♠ 7 5 3 2
 ♥ 8 4
 ♦ T 3 2
 ♣ 6 5 4 2

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

3 NT by East

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 EAST has an opening hand, 14 points and five But
 NORTH beat him to the punch,

so he overcalls 1 .

WEST also has 14 points, she doesn't care too much
 for but she has an

excellent stopper in

s.

She jumps to 2NT, inviting EAST to bid game.

Since EAST has several points more than he might
 have had, and no 6-card suit to rebid,

he happily bids 3NT.

Board 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 6 4 2

♥ A 4 2

♦ J

♣ T 9 5

♠ 8 7

♥ K Q 9 7

♦ A K 8 3

♣ Q J 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 5

♥ 8 6

♦ T 9 7 6 4 2

♣ 7 3 2

♠ A 9 3

♥ J T 5 3

♦ Q 5

♣ A K 8 6

West

1 ♠

Pass

All Pass

North

Dbl

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♠

4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

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NORTH has 15 points and all the requirements for a
Takeout Double of 1 .

With 14 points of his own, SOUTH knows his side
needs to be in a game somewhere. He passes this
information

to NORTH with a cue-bid of 2 .

NORTH gets the message and starts the hunt for a
trump fit by bidding 3

. That

makes it easy for SOUTH - he bids 4

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