

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

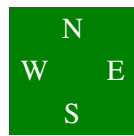
♠ T 8 3  
 ♥ A 9 3  
 ♦ A 6 5 3  
 ♣ T 8 5

♠ A Q J 9 7 6 5

♥ Q T 2

♦ 7

♣ 6 3



♠ 2

♥ 8 7 6 4

♦ K Q J T 8

♣ A 9 4

♠ K 4

♥ K J 5

♦ 9 4 2

♣ K Q J 7 2

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

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NORTH has a 7-card suit but he is too strong to open with a preemptive bid.

So he opens 1 instead.

SOUTH should respond 2 and NORTH can do nothing but rebid the suit.

SOUTH thinks there should be game and bids 4

**Board 2**  
 East Deals  
 N-S Vul

♠ K Q  
 ♥ Q J  
 ♦ A K Q 6 5  
 ♣ K J 4 2

♠ T 9 5  
 ♥ T 8 5  
 ♦ J 8 4 3  
 ♣ A 7 3

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♠ A J 8 3 2  
 ♥ 6 2  
 ♦ T 9  
 ♣ T 9 8 6

♠ 7 6 4  
 ♥ A K 9 7 4 3  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ Q 5

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 EAST is too weak to open 1

but just right for 2

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Wow! WEST has 21 HCP and two good

West	North	East	South
4♥	All Pass	2♥	Pass

s. Could this be time for a slam try?

Nope, no slam here. Suppose EAST has six

4♥ by West

s headed by the AK. The trump suit

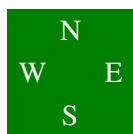
would certainly be solid, but then EAST couldn't possibly have an outside Ace as well or he would have been too strong for a Weak-two opening. So WEST just bids 4

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**Board 3**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

♠ K 9 2  
 ♥ A 9 8 5  
 ♦ J T 7 6  
 ♣ 9 6

♠ A Q 5  
 ♥ 4  
 ♦ K Q 9 4  
 ♣ K J 7 4 2



♠ T 7 6 4  
 ♥ T 3  
 ♦ A 3 2  
 ♣ A Q T 3

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

West	North	East	South
			2♥

All Pass

2♥ by South

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 NORTH really hates that 2

opening by SOUTH.

But there's no sense bidding and probably making matters worse, so she grits her

teeth and passes.

If you think 3NT has a chance you are delusional.

**Board 4**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A Q J T 6 5

♥ 7

♦ A 9 5

♣ K J 3

♠ 3

♥ 9 3

♦ Q T 8 6 2

♣ A Q 8 7 2

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W		E
	S	

♠ K 8 4

♥ A Q T 6 4 2

♦ 4

♣ 9 6 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 8 5

♦ K J 7 3

♣ T 4

West

North

East

South

2 ♠

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by West

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WEST expects to be better off in     than EAST would be in 2

Whether or not you play a new suit as a one round force or not, EAST should make the 3 bid with

a hand this good. WEST then bids the game.

**Board 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q T 8 3

♥ T

♦ A 9

♣ Q T 9 6 3 2

♠ 6

♥ A Q J 8 7 5 4

♦ 6 3 2

♣ 8 4

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	S	

♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 9 2

♦ T 8 7

♣ K J 7 5

♠ A K 7 5

♥ K 6 3

♦ K Q J 5 4

♣ A

West

North

East

South

3♥

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♦

Pass

6♥

All Pass

6♥ by South

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NORTH has a pretty normal 3

opening bid.

SOUTH, however, has a big hand, and she launches into Blackwood.

When NORTH shows one Ace SOUTH can bid 6

with confidence.