

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 6 5
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 9 3
♣ A K 9 8 6

12
7 8
13

♠ A 7 3
♥ Q J 10 8 2
♦ K 8 6
♣ Q 4



♠ K Q J 4 2
♥ K 5
♦ A 5 2
♣ 7 5 3

♠ 10 8
♥ A 7 3
♦ Q J 10 7 4
♣ J 10 2

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by South

SOUTH's 2

♠TM!

bid is New Minor Forcing.

SOUTH chose

♠TM!

s rather than ♠TM£s simply

because the

♠TM!

s were stronger.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 6 2
♥ 7 5
♦ J 9 8 4
♣ A K Q 4

8
10 6
16

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ J 8 4
♥ K Q 8 4
♦ Q 5 2
♣ 7 6 3



♠ K 5
♥ A J 9 6 2
♦ A K
♣ J 8 5 2

North

2 ♥
3 ♥

East

Pass
Pass

South

1 ♥
3 ♣
Pass

SOUTH is unlikely to win 10 tricks if NORTH has three $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{£}$ losers.

SOUTH's 3 $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{£}$ bid is a Help Suit Game try.

With no help in $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{£}$ s and no ruffing values, NORTH's 8 points are

not enough to think of game, so NORTH signs off in 3

 $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{¥}$

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Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 3
 ♥ J 3 2
 ♦ A 10 7 5
 ♣ 10 9 2

14
 7 6
 13

♠ K 8
 ♥ Q 8 5
 ♦ J 8 4
 ♣ A K J 7 3

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♠ A J 7 6 2
 ♥ K 10 9 4
 ♦ K Q 6
 ♣ 4

♠ 10 5 4
 ♥ A 7 6
 ♦ 9 3 2
 ♣ Q 8 6 5

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

NORTH's 3

 \hat{a}^{TM}_1

bid is Fourth Suit Forcing and

does NOT show a

 \hat{a}^{TM}_1

stopper.

The bid asks SOUTH to further describe her hand.

SOUTH does not have a rebiddable suit, but does have

 \hat{a}^{TM}_1

s stopped so she bids 3 NT.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ K 10 4
♥ K 10 9
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A 6 5 3

10
10 8
12

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 NT by South

♠ Q 9 6 5 2

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A Q

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7

♥ A Q 5

♦ K 10 9 4 3

♣ K 10 7

North

1 ♠

2 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♦

1 NT

2 NT

NORTH cannot rebid the 5-card \hat{a}^{TM} suit,
cannot support SOUTH's

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

s,

and cannot bid Notrump without a

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

stopper.

So she bids $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{£}$, New Minor Forcing,
asking SOUTH to describe his hand
further.

SOUTH doesn't have three \hat{a}^{TM} s, nor does
he have four

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

s.

But he does have

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

s stopped, so bids 2 NT. North is not strong

enough to bid game so she passes.