

Deal 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 4 ♥ 10 8 4 ♦ A 6 2 ♣ Q J 10 9 8 5	♠ K 5 ♥ A K 9 7 6 2 ♦ K 8 ♣ 7 6 4
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13 7 10 10	♠ A 9 7 2 ♥ Q J 5 3 ♦ Q J 7 5 3 ♣ —
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 NT	Pass	6 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by North			



When SOUTH makes a Splinter bid,
 showing

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support and â™£ shortness,

NORTH naturally thinks about slam.

She uses RKCB 4 NT, and SOUTH, with one Key Card and a â™£ Void, bids 6â™£.

Just what NORTH needed for the 6

â™¥

bid.

Deal 2South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 7
♥ J 8 2
♦ 10 3 2
♣ A 9 8 7 4

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5 2
16

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2



♠ J 5 4
♥ 7 6 3
♦ J 9 7
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ Q 9 8 2
♥ A 9 5
♦ A 6 4
♣ K Q J

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 NT
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by South			

NORTH thinks they should be in slam, and uses Stayman to check for a 4-4 Major fit.

When SOUTH announces four ♠'s NORTH uses RKCB 4 NT.

SOUTH's 5♦ bid shows two Key Cards plus the ♦ Q.

This fills the holes in NORTH's hand nicely, so she bids 6♦.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 7 6 5 3

16
2 5
17

♠ J 9 8 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A J 4

♣ K Q J

W	N
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♠ 10 7 5
♥ J 8 7
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A 10 8 4

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♠ by North

This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, SOUTH uses RKCB after the 4-4
â™ fit is discovered.This time NORTH shows two Key Cards
without the â™ Q.Now SOUTH realizes that in addition to
one outside Ace, there is a very possible
loser

in trumps. So she stops at 5â™ .

Deal 4

	♠ 7 3 2		
North Deals	♥ A K Q 8 6 4		
None Vul	♦ 5 3		
	♣ 8 7		
♠ Q J 10 9 8 5	♠ 6		
♥ —	♥ 10 7 3 2		
♦ Q J 9 4 2	♦ 10 8		
♣ 3 2	♣ K Q J 10 9 6		
	♠ A K 4		
9	♥ J 9 5		
6 6	♦ A K 7 6		
19	♣ A 5 4		
West	North	East	South
	2 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by South			

The chances of a slam on this hand are very small, and if SOUTH decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when NORTH shows two Key Cards.

SOUTH has a better way to find out about the hand. She bids 2 NT asking NORTH to further describe

his hand. NORTH should then bid 3 NT, showing a solid suit headed by AKQ.

NORTH cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so SOUTH just passes 3 NT.