

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 5
 ♥ K Q
 ♦ 8 6 3 2
 ♣ J 9 6 3 2

♠ K Q 2

♥ A 9 3

♦ Q J 9 5

♣ K Q 7



♠ A 7 6 4

♥ 7 5 4 2

♦ A 7 4

♣ T 5

♠ J T 8 3

♥ J T 8 6

♦ K T

♣ A 8 4

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

3 NT by North

Baker Stayman 13

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

With no 4-card Major you reply 2♦. What do you bid after partner next says 2NT?

Partner seems to have about 9 points and is inviting you to say 3NT. Since you have a maximum 17 point hand you accept the invitation.

Board 2
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ A 3
 ♥ K J T 4
 ♦ T 8 7 4
 ♣ 9 8 4

♠ K T 8 5
 ♥ 9 8 5 2
 ♦ A 9 3
 ♣ Q 5



♠ J 9 4
 ♥ A 7
 ♦ 6 5 2
 ♣ K T 6 3 2

♠ Q 7 6 2
 ♥ Q 6 3
 ♦ K Q J
 ♣ A J 7

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

3 ♠ by North

Baker Stayman 14

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

You bid 2♠. Partner next says 3♠. What do you say now?

Considering the bidding you have done so far you couldn't have a worse hand. With 4-3-3-3 distribution and a bare 15 points you most certainly don't want to accept any invitation from partner. So you pass. As you see, 9 tricks are not going to come easily.

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 7 4
♥ J 2
♦ T 8
♣ K J T 9 3

♠ J 6 2

♥ A T 9 5

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A Q



♠ Q T 9 3

♥ K 8 7 3

♦ A 5

♣ 7 6 4

♠ K 5

♥ Q 6 4

♦ 9 7 6 3 2

♣ 8 5 2

West

North

East

South

1NT

Pass

2♣

Pass

2♥

Pass

3♥

Pass

4♥

All Pass

4♥ by North

Baker Stayman 15

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

You respond 2♥. Partner now says 3♥. What do you bid?

Partner has told you he has 4♥s and approximately 9 points. Add that to your 4♥s and 17 points and the total equals a game bid in ♥s. So you say 4♥.

Board 4
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 8 7 3 2
 ♥ Q J 7
 ♦ K 2
 ♣ J 7 6 2

♠ A T 9 6
 ♥ 6 3
 ♦ Q T 8 4
 ♣ K 8 3



♠ K Q J 4
 ♥ A T 9 5
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ A Q

♠ 5
 ♥ K 8 4 2
 ♦ A 9 6 5
 ♣ T 9 5 4

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| | | | 1NT |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 4♠ |
| All Pass | | | |

4 ♠ by South

Baker Stayman 16

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

When you have 4 cards in both Majors you respond 2♥. Partner bids 2NT. What is your next bid?

Partner would never bid Stayman without a 4-card Major. Since he did not like your ♥ bid it is clear that his 4-card Major must be ♠s. His 2NT bid was an invitation for you to bid 3NT, which means he has about 9 points. Knowing that partner has 9 points and 4 ♠s, your call is clear : 4♠.

Board 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 7 6
♥ 7 4
♦ K 8 6 5
♣ K J 4 2

♠ K J 4

♥ A 8

♦ Q J 7 3

♣ A Q T 8

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ A Q 5 2

♥ K Q T 9 6

♦ T 9

♣ 9 7

♠ 9 8 3

♥ J 5 3 2

♦ A 4 2

♣ 6 5 3

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 1NT | Pass | 2♣ |
| Pass | 2♦ | Pass | 2♥ |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |

3 NT by North

Baker Stayman 17

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

You do not have a 4-card Major. So your correct response is 2♦. Partner bids 2♥.

Partner has described a hand with 4 ♠s and 5 ♥s. You don't know his strength but it must be at least 9 points. You know that you have just a 7-card fit in both Majors, and since you have a full 17 points you bid 3NT.

Board 6

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 6 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ J T 2

♣ A 8 5 3

♠ K 7

♥ Q J T

♦ A K 9 5

♣ K J 9 4



♠ J T 9 8 4

♥ A 8 2

♦ 8 6 4

♣ 7 2

♠ Q 2

♥ K 9 7 5 3

♦ Q 7 3

♣ Q T 6

West

North

East

South

1NT

Pass

2♣

Pass

2♦

Pass

2♥

Pass

4♥

All Pass

4♥ by North

Baker Stayman 18

You open 1NT and partner responds 2♣. What do you bid?

Your 2♦ response tells partner you have no 4-card Major suit. Then he bids 2♥. What do you say next?

Partner knows you do not have 4♥s, but he bid the suit anyway. He must have 5 of them and he must also have 4♠s (since he used Stayman). But it's the♥s you are interested in. Partner has 5 and you have 3. So you know of an 8-card Major suit fit. And you also know you have a maximum 1NT opening. So you say 4♥.