

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 5 4 2
♥ 10 2
♦ Q 8 5
♣ A 8 3 2

13
6 7
14

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ K Q J
♥ K Q J 8 4
♦ 9 4
♣ J 6 5



♠ 3
♥ A 9 5 3
♦ A J 10 2
♣ K Q 9 4

North

1 ♥

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

3 ♠

Pass

♠ A 9 8 7 6
♥ 7 6
♦ K 7 6 3
♣ 10 7

SOUTH's 3[♠] bid, a double-jump, is a Splinter bid. It shows game-forcing strength, at

least four cards in partner's suit, and a singleton or void in the Splintered suit.

NORTH has just 14 points and the [♠] shortness in SOUTH's hand doesn't improve her hand since

she had just one [♠] loser anyway. She signs off in 4

[♠]

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Deal 2

East Deals
None Vul

♠ 3
♥ A 9 5 3
♦ A J 10 2
♣ K Q 9 4

8
14 13
5

West

3 ♠

4 ♦

5 ♥

Pass

6 ♥ by East

♠ A K 10 9 8

♥ 7 2

♦ 9 8 5

♣ J 10 7



♠ Q J 5 2

♥ 10 6

♦ Q 7 6 3

♣ 8 3 2

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♥

4 ♣

4 NT

6 ♥

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

EAST has 14 points, the same strength she had in Deal 13. But what a difference.

This time WEST's ♠ shortness complements her hand very well. She bids 4♠.

to show her Control, and after WEST shows the

♠

A she

uses Blackwood to make sure WEST also has the trump Ace.

Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 8 6 4
♥ 4 3
♦ A 10 9 2
♣ 9 7

13
5 9
13

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ K Q
♥ A K 8
♦ 7 5 4 3
♣ J 10 6 5



♠ A 7 5
♥ Q J 10 7 6
♦ J 8
♣ K Q 3

North

2 ♣
4 ♥

East

Pass
Pass

South

1 ♥
2 NT
Pass

NORTH has 13 points and good 3-card support for SOUTH's 1

♠™¥

opening bid.

But he should not bid 2 NT since that bid promises 4+ cards in support. North must still insure

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2♠™£.

When SOUTH next says 2 NT NORTH can jump to 4

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NOTE: if you used Jacoby 2 NT and reached the 4

♠™¥

game, give yourself credit anyway.

Deal 4

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 3	♠ 9 8 7 6	♠ K Q J
♥ K J 9 6 5 2	♥ Q 10	♥ A 8 7 3
♦ K Q J	♦ A 4 3	♦ 6 2
♣ K Q 5	♣ 10 8 4 3	♣ A J 9 2
	♠ A 10 5 4 2	
	♥ 4	
	♦ 10 9 8 7 5	
	♣ 7 6	

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

WEST bids 3[♠] to show a strong hand with a singleton [♠].

After EAST shows her first-round [♠] control WEST decides he will bid slam if EAST has three Aces.

When Blackwood reveals just two Aces in EAST, WEST stops at 5

[♠]

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