

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 7 5
 ♥ K J T 3
 ♦ -
 ♣ K 9 6 5 3

♠ A 9 3

♥ A 7 5

♦ K 6 5 4

♣ A 8 2



♠ K J 4
 ♥ Q 9 6 2
 ♦ J T 2
 ♣ Q J T

♠ T 6 2

♥ 8 4

♦ A Q 9 8 7 3

♣ 7 4

West	North	East	South
		Pass	2♦
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

Baker Ogust 6

You could just guess between pass, 3NT, or 5♦.

But you use Ogust instead. Partner responds 3♦.

What do you bid next?

Partner's 3♦ bid shows a minimum hand but a good suit, which should mean two of the top three honors. Your ♦K tells you that partner has a 6-card ♦ suit headed by the A Q. With three outside Aces you can count 9 tricks - you bid 3NT.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3
♥ T 2
♦ A K Q T 6 4
♣ 9 8 4

♠ A T 7
♥ Q 8
♦ 9 5 3
♣ J T 5 3 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K J 9 4
♥ A 6 3
♦ J 2
♣ A K 7 6

♠ Q 6 5 2
♥ K J 9 7 5 4
♦ 8 7
♣ Q

West	North	East	South
2♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

3 NT by West

Baker Ogust 7
Having opened 2♦, you reply to partner's Ogust 2NT bid with 3NT, showing a ♦ suit headed by A K Q. Partner passes.

Board 3

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A K J 9 8 7 4
 ♥ J 9
 ♦ T 9 8
 ♣ J

♠ Q T 3

♥ 7 5

♦ A K Q 4

♣ A 8 7 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 6 5

♥ 6 4 2

♦ J 3 2

♣ K Q T 5 3

♠ 2

♥ A K Q T 8 3

♦ 7 6 5

♣ 9 6 4

West	North	East	South
		Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

4♥ by North

Baker Ogust 8

This is a perfect hand for Ogust - when you're not sure what to do! So you bid 2NT. Partner responds 3NT. What do you bid next?

Partner's 3NT bid describes his hand exactly;

♥ A K Q x x x and nothing else. You MIGHT have a ♠ stopper, but they might be arranged so the defenders could take the first 5 ♠ tricks. So you bid the "safe" 4♥ game which depends only on a 3-2 trump split.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 3
♥ A Q 9 7 6 4
♦ 8 5
♣ 9 7 3

♠ Q T 4 2

♥ J 2

♦ Q J T 6

♣ Q J 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ K 5

♦ A 9 7 4

♣ A 8 6

♠ J 9 5

♥ T 8 3

♦ K 3 2

♣ K T 5 4

West

2♥

3♠

North

Pass

Pass

East

2NT

4♥

South

Pass

All Pass

4♥ by East

Baker Ogust 9

After opening 2♥ you reply to partner's Ogust 2NT with 3♠, showing a maximum hand along with a good suit. Partner bids 4♥ and you pass.

Board 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 5
 ♥ A J T 4
 ♦ J 6 2
 ♣ Q T 5 3

♠ A Q 9 8 7 4

♥ 8 7 3

♦ 7 5

♣ K 4



♠ J 2

♥ K Q 9 6 2

♦ T 8 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K T 3

♥ 5

♦ A K Q 9 4

♣ A 8 7 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

6♠ by South

Baker Ogust 10

Before you read this lesson you might have just jumped to a Blackwood 4NT. But now you bid an Ogust 2NT. Partner rebids 3♠. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has a maximum Weak 2-bid and a good trump suit, no doubt headed by the A Q. If he also has the ♥A you might be cold for 7♠. Bid Blackwood if you must, but you don't really need to since partner could not possibly have The ♥A AND ♠A Q x x x x. Too many points for a Weak 2-bid. So you bid 6♠.