

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ K 5 4  
♥ 6 3  
♦ 10 7 5 4 2  
♣ A K 2

11  
10 7  
12

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ Q J  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ A 9 8 3  
♣ Q J 7



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

North

Pass

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

Pass

NORTH has 11 points and she should pass.

SOUTH has a minimum 1

♠

opening, 13 points and five trumps.

NORTH, with 4-card trump support, jumps to 3

♠

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(This is called a Limit Raise.)

A Limit Raise is an invitational bid, but SOUTH can add and he knows the total

points will

be either 24 or 25. So he passes 3

♠

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**Deal 2**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

6  
10 11  
13

West

Pass

Pass

2 ♠ by South

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



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

North

2 ♠

East

Pass

South

1 ♠

Pass

SOUTH has a normal 1<sup>st</sup> opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2<sup>nd</sup>.

SOUTH passes, knowing he is not missing a game contract. NORTH can have a maximum of 10 points, which would

only reach 24 points when added to his 14.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 10

♥ A 7 4 3 2

♦ Q 10 9 4

♣ J 7 3

11  
7 7  
15

♠ K 6 4 2

♥ J 8 5

♦ K 3 2

♣ A 6 2



♠ A Q 7 5 3

♥ K Q

♦ A 8 7 6

♣ 9 4

♠ J 9 8

♥ 10 9 6

♦ J 5

♣ K Q 10 8 5

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠

4 ♠ by South

With a 5-card ♠ suit and 16 points SOUTH should open 1♠.

NORTH has 11 points and four ♠s. So even though he has a balanced hand,

he jumps to 3♠, a Limit Raise.

SOUTH adds: her 16 plus NORTH's 11/12 equals a game, 4♠.

**Deal 4**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 9 3 2  
♥ Q J 9  
♦ J 7 3  
♣ A 8 7 4

11  
8 5  
16

West

Pass

Pass

4♠ by South

♠ A K Q 7

♥ 7 4 3

♦ 8 5 2

♣ Q 9 5



♠ J 10 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ A K 6

♣ K J 3

North

3♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1♠

4♠

SOUTH has the type of 5-card Major hand that many players would open 1 NT.

He has 17 points with most of them OUTSIDE the Major suit. But, many others

would disagree so for this Deal SOUTH will open 1♠.

NORTH has 11 points and excellent (is that strong enough?) ♠ support.

So she naturally makes a Limit Raise of 3♠.

SOUTH adds the points and ignores the fact that his ♠ suit is Jack high.

He bids 4♠.