

Board 1

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 8 4 3
 ♥ A 5
 ♦ A Q 8 6 2
 ♣ A

♠ T
 ♥ Q J 9 8 4
 ♦ K J T 5 3
 ♣ J 2



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

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	2 ♠	Pass	2NT
Pass	3 ♦	All Pass	

3 ♦ by North

Baker Michaels 9

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 5 cards in the "other" Major and a 5-card Minor you bid 2 ♠, Michaels of course. Partner bids 2NT. What do you say next?

Is it possible that partner wants to play Notrump? Not at all. He hates ♥s and wants you to bid your Minor suit. So you say 3 ♦ and he passes.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q
♥ A K Q 8 3
♦ Q J T 5 4
♣ 3

♠ J 7 5 4 3

♥ T 9 6 2

♦ 8

♣ K J 4



♠ T 6

♥ 7 4

♦ K 7 6 3

♣ A T 9 6 5

♠ A 9 8 2

♥ J 5

♦ A 9 2

♣ Q 8 7 2

West

North

East

South

2NT

Pass

3♦

Pass

4♦

Pass

5♦

All Pass

5♦ by East

Baker Michaels 10

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

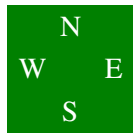
Partner asked you to choose between ♥s and ♦s so you bid 3♦. He then raises you to 4♦. What do you bid?

If you say to yourself "I only have 7 HCP" then you might pass. But if you say "Partner invited me to bid game, even though I might have no points and only 3 trumps. I'm a lot better than that.", then you will accept the invitation. So you bid 5♦ and everybody passes.

Board 3
 East Deals
 None Vul

♠ 7 2
 ♥ K T
 ♦ J 9 8 4 2
 ♣ T 9 4 2

♠ K T 9 3
 ♥ J 6 5 2
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ K Q 5



♠ A Q J 6 5
 ♥ 9
 ♦ A Q T 5 3
 ♣ 6 3

♠ 8 4
 ♥ A Q 8 7 4 3
 ♦ 7
 ♣ A J 8 7

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

Baker Michaels 11
 The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 5 cards in the "other" Major and a 5-card Minor suit this looks like an ideal Michaels Cue-Bid, right? No, not really. While it would not be a capital offense to bid 2 ♥ here, it generally works out better with 13-16 point hands to just overcall in your higher-ranking suit. You bid 1 ♠. Partner responds 2 ♥. What do you bid?

Partner's cue-bid shows a limit-raise or better in ♠s. So you bid 4 ♠ without the blink of an eye.

Board 4

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 9 8 3

♥ 8

♦ 7 5

♣ Q J T 7 4

♠ Q J 5 4 2

♥ Q T 3

♦ A 8 2

♣ A 3



♠ 6

♥ K 6 4 2

♦ K T 9 3

♣ K 8 6 5

♠ K 7

♥ A J 9 7 5

♦ Q J 6 4

♣ 9 2

West

North

East

South

2♥

Pass

2NT

1♥

3♣

All Pass

Pass

3♣ by West

Baker Michaels 12

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner is 5-5 in ♠s and one of the Minor suits.

Forget ♠s, you want him to bid the Minor. So you bid 2NT. Partner says 3♣.

Partner only made a minimum bid, so you have no choice but to pass.