

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 7 2
♥ K 10 9 6 5 4 3
♦ Q 9
♣ 5

11
9 7
13

West

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by South

♠ K 10 6 5
♥ J 2
♦ K 5 4
♣ A 6 3 2



♠ Q J 8 3
♥ 8 7
♦ A 7 6
♣ K Q J 4

North

Dbl

3 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

♠ 9 4
♥ A Q
♦ J 10 8 3 2
♣ 10 9 8 7

South

1 ♣

1 ♠

Pass

NORTH makes a Negative Double rather than responding 1[♠] to indicate he has just a 4-card suit.

SOUTH has four [♠]s so she bids 1[♠], showing a minimum opener.

With 11 points NORTH makes an invitational bid of 3[♠] but SOUTH declines the invitation by passing.

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 6 4
♥ 10
♦ Q J 10 3
♣ 10 9 7 5 3

12
5 11
12

♠ 9 7 2
♥ A 6 3
♦ 8 6
♣ A K J 6 4



♠ A 5
♥ K Q J 8 2
♦ 7 4 2
♣ Q 8 2

♠ K J 10 8 3
♥ 9 7 5 4
♦ A K 9 5
♣ —

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

SOUTH has 13 points and a 5-card

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suit so she should not use a Negative

Double. Instead she just bids 2

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Knowing SOUTH has five

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s NORTH can support with just three.

SOUTH bids the

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game.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 6 2

♥ 8 4

♦ K 3

♣ K Q J 9 7 2

11

13 2

14

West

2 ♣

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ Q J 5

♥ K 10 5 3

♦ A J 6 2

♣ 6 4

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♠ K 9

♥ A Q J 9 6

♦ 10 5 4

♣ A 8 3

North

3 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 ♥

NORTH has a Limit Raise hand but after WEST's overcall a 3

♠

bid

by NORTH would be preemptive, not inviting. Instead he makes a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH has just enough that she can bid 4

♠

, knowing that if NORTH has

a real block-buster he will bid on.

NORTH doesn't have a real block-buster.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 7
 ♥ 8 7 5 2
 ♦ J 7
 ♣ K 8 5 4 3

18
 4 10
 8

West

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

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

N
 W E
 S

♠ A Q J 3
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ 9 6 4 2
 ♣ 10 9 6

North

1 ♥

3 NT

East

1 ♠

Pass

South

1 NT

Pass

SOUTH has 9 points and a stopper in
 â™ s so she responds 1 NT.

NORTH has 19 points with a balanced
 hand so he bids 3 NT.