

Deal 1South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 4
 ♥ 8 6 5 3 2
 ♦ Q J 9
 ♣ A J 10

6
 10 8
 16

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 9 8 5
 ♥ Q 7 4
 ♦ 10 5
 ♣ K 8 6 2

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

♠ A K 6 3
 ♥ K 9
 ♦ A 8 3
 ♣ Q 9 7 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	1 ♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 ♠
3 ♠ by North			

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You must make a weak response, and in theory there are 3 weak responses you could make with this hand. You could bid 2♣, 1♠ or 1 NT. And while none of them would be actually incorrect the best choice is to show your 4-card Major.

You bid 1♠. Partner jumps to 3♠. What do you say now?

You started with just 6 points, and after discovering the ♠ fit you revalue all the way up to 7 points. Partner has shown 16-18 and that's still not enough for game. You pass.

Deal 2

West Deals

None Vul

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

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

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

9	♠ 10 2
17 9	♥ J 5 2
5	♦ 8 4 3 2
	♣ A 9 5 4

West	North	East	South
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	4♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
4♥ by East			

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

Your top priority as responder is to show a Major suit if you have one, so you say 1♥. Partner jumps to 3♥. What do you say?

Partner knows you may have only 6 points and went to the 3-level anyway. He is inviting you to bid game if you have a bit more than the 6 you promised. You revalue up to T so you have quite a bit more. You accept his invitation and bid 4♥.

Deal 3

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 2
♥ 10 8 3 2
♦ A 7 5 3 2
♣ 5 4 3

14
4 7
15

♠ Q 10 8 6

♥ —

♦ K Q J 10

♣ K Q J 10 8

W N E S

♠ A 7 4
♥ Q J 9 7 5
♦ 8 6 4
♣ 6 2

♠ K J 9 5 3
♥ A K 6 4
♦ 9
♣ A 9 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♠ by South

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have a very big hand. But there is no need to start jumping before you know whether you have a fit. So just bid 1 ♠, partner cannot pass this bid.

Partner now surprises you with a jump to 3 ♠!. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has 16 and you have more than that. Slam appears certain, by why not check for Aces? So you bid 4 NT and partner answers 5 ♣. What do you say next?

You probably say "Oh Darn!" or perhaps something less printable. But then you just sign off at 5 ♠.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

♠ 9	♦ 8	♣ 53	♦ 8
♥ A K 8		W N E S	♣ K 10 6
♦ A J 10 6 4			♦ 7 5
♣ K Q J 2			♦ K Q 9 5 3
			♣ 9 7 4
8		♠ Q 8 7 3	
18 8		♦ 10 4 2	
6		♦ 7 2	
		♣ A 10 8 6	
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1♦	Pass	2♦	Pass
4♦	Pass	5♦	Pass
Pass	Pass		
5♦ by West			

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

That is great support, but always remember when supporting a Minor that partner might have only 3 of them. So you bid 2♦. Partner jumps to 4♦. What do you bid?

You were cautious with your first bid, but that is over now. Partner didn't open with a 3-card suit, he really has ♦s. He bypassed 3NT in a flash, so he has no interest in playing anywhere but a ♦ contract. He invites you to bid game if you have something extra above the 6 points you already promised. You have a lot more than that, so you bid 5♦.