

Deal 1

South Deals	♠ J 7 3
None Vul	♥ A J 10 9 8
	♦ 8 3 2
	♣ Q 8
♠ 10 9 6 4	♠ Q 8 5
♥ 3	♥ 7 4 2
♦ 10 6 5	♦ A 9 7 4
♣ A 9 7 5 4	♣ 10 3 2

$\begin{matrix} 8 \\ 4 \quad 6 \\ 22 \end{matrix}$	$\begin{matrix} \spadesuit \text{ A K 2} \\ \heartsuit \text{ K Q 6 5} \\ \diamondsuit \text{ K Q J} \\ \clubsuit \text{ K J 6} \end{matrix}$
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
5 ♥ by North			

SOUTH is tempted to go right to 6

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when she hears NORTH's positive response. BUT, she should use Blackwood first.

It's good thing she did because NORTH admits to only one Ace - they are missing two Aces.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 8 5
 ♥ Q J 9 4 2
 ♦ 6 2
 ♣ J 4

18
 5 4
13

♠ K Q 4
 ♥ A 8
 ♦ K Q J 10 7 3
 ♣ K 5

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♠ 9 7 2
 ♥ 6 5 3
 ♦ 8 5
 ♣ A 10 6 3 2

♠ A 6 3
 ♥ K 10 7
 ♦ A 9 4
 ♣ Q 9 8 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	6 NT	Pass	Pass
6 NT by South			

NORTH not only has 20 points, he also has a lot of winners.

So when SOUTH jumps to 2 NT, showing 13-15 points, NORTH uses Gerber.

SOUTH shows two Aces so NORTH decides 6 NT will be just right.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 7 4
 ♥ K 10 7
 ♦ K 5 4 2
 ♣ 9 8 7 6

19
 6 2
13

♠ A J 9 6 3
 ♥ A 4
 ♦ A Q J 6
 ♣ K 5

♠ 10 2
 ♥ Q 9 8 5 2
 ♦ 10 9 3
 ♣ 10 3 2

♠ K Q 8 5
 ♥ J 6 3
 ♦ 8 7
 ♣ A Q J 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	5 NT	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by North			

When SOUTH gives immediate â™ support, NORTH's thoughts naturally

turn to slam. This is a good hand to use Blackwood on, so NORTH bids 4 NT.

SOUTH's 5

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answer shows one Ace, which NORTH cleverly deduces

must be the â™£A.

NORTH bids 6â™ since SOUTH has not bid strongly enough to think about 7.

Deal 4

North Deals	♠ K Q J
None Vul	♥ A K 10
	♦ K Q 2
	♣ K Q 7 3
♠ 10 9 8 3 2	♠ 7 5
♥ 6	♥ 5 3 2
♦ A 6 5	♦ 10 7 4
♣ J 9 4 2	♣ A 10 8 6 5



23	♠ A 6 4
5 4	♥ Q J 9 8 7 4
8	♦ J 9 8 3
	♣ —

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	6 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by South			

NORTH expects to bid 2 NT at his second turn, but SOUTH gives a positive 2

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response and his thinking changes! First he supports

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s, setting the

trump suit.

SOUTH then bids 3â™, showing first round control. NORTH tries 4 NT (Blackwood) and

SOUTH replies 6â™£. This shows a â™£ void and one Ace, obviously the â™ A.

NORTH bids 6

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, knowing they must lose the

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