

**Deal 1**  
South Deals  
None Vul

♠ A 7 4  
♥ Q J 9 7 5  
♦ 8 6 4  
♣ 6 2

15  
7 4  
14

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

♠ 2  
♥ 10 8 3 2  
♦ A 7 5 3 2  
♣ 5 4 3

♠ Q 10 8 6  
♥ —  
♦ K Q J 10  
♣ K Q J 10 8

West      North      East      South

Pass	1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	5 ♠	Pass	Pass

Pass  
5 ♠ by North

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 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 6

♥ 7 5

♦ K Q 9 5 3

♣ 9 7 4

6  
8 18  
8

♠ Q 8 7 3

♥ 10 4 2

♦ 7 2

♣ A 10 8 6



♠ 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10 6 4

♣ K Q J 2

♠ A J 5 4 2

♥ Q J 9 6 3

♦ 8

♣ 5 3

West

North

East

South

2 ♦

Pass

1 ♦

Pass

5 ♦

Pass

Pass

Pass

5 ♦ by East

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 3 NT 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 ♦.