

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 3  
♥ T 9 4  
♦ K T 4 2  
♣ T 8 4

♠ K J

♥ A K 6

♦ J 9 5 3

♣ K J 9 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 2  
♥ J 8 2  
♦ A Q 8 6  
♣ 7 5 3 2

♠ Q T 8 6 5 4  
♥ Q 7 5 3  
♦ 7  
♣ A Q

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

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Even with a 6-card suit SOUTH uses Stayman because he also has a 4-card

suit. Given a choice, playing a 4-4 Major fit is usually preferable to a 6-2 or even a 6-3 fit.

But here NORTH doesn't have four

s so SOUTH just bids

the game where he knows the partnership holds eight trumps.

**Board 2**

South Deals

None Vul

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

♠ K Q 3  
♥ Q T 9 8 4 3  
♦ K 5  
♣ A 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 9 6 5 2  
♥ -  
♦ Q J 3  
♣ 9 6 4 3 2

♠ A 7  
♥ K J 6 5  
♦ A 8 4  
♣ K Q T 8

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

round control of the suit that was bid.

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SOUTH breaks the expected Transfer sequence by jumping to 3

instead

of bidding just 2

. This is called the "Super Accept" and it shows

a hand with four of the trump suit with maximum point count.

NORTH's bid and SOUTH's

bid are Control bids, showing first

**Board 3**  
 South Deals  
 E-W Vul  
 ♠ A 8 4  
 ♥ T 4 2  
 ♦ J T 6 2  
 ♣ Q 5 3

♠ K J T 3  
 ♥ K 5  
 ♦ A 9 3  
 ♣ 8 7 4 2  

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

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

4 ♠ by South

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 NORTH uses Stayman because he has a 4-card suit.

SOUTH's 2

response wasn't exactly what NORTH was hoping for,

so NORTH decides to bid 3NT.

SOUTH absolutely knows that NORTH holds a 4-card Major -

and also knows that it isn't

s.

So SOUTH bids 4 .

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 5

♥ T 9 3

♦ J 2

♣ Q J 7 3 2

♠ J 9 7 4

♥ Q 8 6 2

♦ T 8 7 6

♣ 4



♠ 8 3 2

♥ J 5

♦ K 9 4

♣ A K 8 6 5

♠ A T 6

♥ A K 7 4

♦ A Q 5 3

♣ T 9

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♣	Pass	1NT
All Pass			2♥

2♥ by South

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NORTH has a rotten hand, and many players would just pass 1NT.

But NORTH figures that having SOUTH play any 4-4 fit would be better than 1NT so

he bids 2 Stayman. This is called "Garbage Stayman", and you can see why.

SOUTH bids 2

and NORTH passes. He would have passed either 2 or 2

also.

**Board 5**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ K J 7 3

♥ Q 9 5

♦ K T 4

♣ Q 9 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A Q 6 2  
♥ K J 8  
♦ A 6 2  
♣ K 8 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3NT by North

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Just having a 4-card Major doesn't mean you must automatically use Stayman.

Here NORTH has a 4-card suit, but decides not to seek a 4-4 fit because his

hand wouldn't have any ruffing values in a contract. He bids 3NT.

Notice that even though SOUTH also has four the 4-4 fit is not useful to them in

a contract because neither hand can ruff any losers.

## *Board 6*

South Deals

None Vul

**♠ 2**  
**♥ A 8 6**  
**♦ 9 8 5 2**  
**♣ K J 9 7 3**

♠ Q T 8 6 4

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◆ A 6

♣ T 8 4

N  
W E  
S

♦ K J 7

♥ K J 5 4

◆ KΩ7

◆ A 5

♠ A 9 5 3  
♥ T 9 2  
♦ J T 4  
♣ Q 6 2

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

4 ♠ by South

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NORTH has an invitational (9 point) hand with five S.

She bids it in the standard way - first transfer SOUTH to *shen* invite

the game by bidding 2NT.

SOUTH, with 17 points and three game invitation and chooses 4 .