

Deal 1

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| South Deals | ♠ 6 2 |
| None Vul | ♥ 8 5 3 |
| | ♦ Q 9 8 7 5 4 |
| | ♣ K 4 |

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| ♠ K J 9 7 5 3 | ♠ Q 10 |
| ♥ 6 2 | ♥ K 10 9 7 4 |
| ♦ A | ♦ 10 6 2 |
| ♣ A J 9 8 | ♣ 10 5 2 |



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| 5 | ♠ A 8 4 |
| 13 5 | ♥ A Q J |
| 17 | ♦ K J 3 |
| | ♣ Q 7 6 3 |

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| | | | 1 NT |
| 2 ♠ | 2 NT | Pass | 3 ♣ |
| Pass | 3 ♦ | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
| 3 ♦ by North | | | |

With your hand you'd like to sign off in 3♦. But you cannot actually bid 3♦ because that would show a forcing-to-game hand. So you bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner makes the relay bid of 3♣. What do you say?

NOW you can bid 3♦, which partner passes.

Deal 2West Deals
None Vul

♠ A 8 7
 ♥ K 6 5
 ♦ Q J 10 6
 ♣ K Q 6

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♠ 5
 ♥ Q J 9 7 4 2
 ♦ 9 4 3
 ♣ J 7 4

♠ K Q 2
 ♥ 8
 ♦ K 8 7 5
 ♣ 10 9 8 3 2

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| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
| 1 NT | 2 ♠ | 2 NT | Pass |
| 3 ♣ | Pass | 3 ♥ | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 3 ♥ by East | | | |

Partner's 2 NT bid is lebensohl, asking you to bid 3 ♣. You bid 3 ♣. Partner says 3 ♥.

What do you say now?

How about . . . pass? Partner just signed off with this sequence. He couldn't bid 3 ♥ directly, that would have been a game-force.

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| Deal 3 | ♠ 8 4 | | |
| South Deals | ♥ 9 8 5 3 | | |
| None Vul | ♦ K Q J 4 | | |
| | ♣ A Q 7 | | |
| ♠ A K Q 10 9 3 | ♠ J 6 | | |
| ♥ J 2 | ♥ 10 7 4 | | |
| ♦ 10 9 8 | ♦ 7 6 5 2 | | |
| ♣ 5 4 | ♣ J 9 6 2 | | |
| | ♠ 7 5 2 | | |
| 12 | ♥ A K Q 6 | | |
| 10 2 | ♦ A 3 | | |
| 16 | ♣ K 10 8 3 | | |
| West | North | East | South |
| | | | 1 NT |
| 2 ♠ | 3 ♠ | Pass | 4 ♥ |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| 4 ♥ by South | | | |

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. So you cue-bid 3♠. This is the lebensohl version of Stayman, but WITH NO ♠ STOPPER. (Direct Denies)

Partner says 4 ♥ and you pass.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul♠ J 3 2
♥ K Q 9 8 6 4
♦ 8
♣ A 10 3♠ A 9 7
♥ A J 10
♦ K 10 6
♣ K Q 9 4**10**
17 **10**
3N
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S♠ K 10 5
♥ 5 2
♦ A Q J 7 3
♣ 8 7 5♠ Q 8 6 4
♥ 7 3
♦ 9 5 4 2
♣ J 6 2

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|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
| 1 NT | 2 ♥ | 3 ♦ | Pass |
| 3 NT | Pass | Pass | Pass |

3 NT by West

Partner has promised at least a 5-card ♦ suit, and game-forcing strength. With your great ♥ stoppers you bid 3 NT.

Deal 5
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 9 3
 ♥ 10 9 7 6 2
 ♦ 8 7 2
 ♣ J 5 2

16
 1 11
 12

N
 W E
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♠ 7 5 2
 ♥ A Q
 ♦ A K 5 3
 ♣ K 10 8 3

♠ A Q

♥ K 8 5 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4

♠ K J 10 8 6 4

♥ J 4

♦ 10 6

♣ A Q 9

West North East South
 Pass 1 NT 2 ♠ 2 NT
 Pass 3 ♣ Pass 3 ♠
 Pass 3 NT Pass Pass

3 NT by North

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. Since you have East's ♠ suit stopped, you first bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner says 3 ♣. What do you bid?

NOW you cue-bid 3 ♠. This is Stayman, but with a ♠ stopper, (SLOW SHOWS). Partner says 3 NT and you pass.

Deal 6East Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 6 4
 ♥ K Q 7 3
 ♦ A Q 9
 ♣ 10 3

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| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
| 2 NT | Pass | 3 ♣ | Pass |
| 3 ♦ | Pass | 3 NT | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 3 NT by East | | | |

♠ 10 5 3 2
 ♥ 8 6 4 2
 ♦ 8 5
 ♣ 7 5 2

♠ K Q 8
 ♥ A J 5
 ♦ 10 6
 ♣ K Q J 9 4

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♠ A 7
 ♥ 10 9
 ♦ K J 7 4 3 2
 ♣ A 8 6

Partner's 2 NT bid requests that you bid 3 ♣, so you do.

He next says 3 ♦.

Partner has just described a hand with which he wants to play in game, which has at least one 4-card Major suit, and has ♦s stopped. He wants you to pick the game.

With no 4-card Major of your own, you pick 3 NT.