

**Deal 1**

South Deals	♠ A 8 7 6
None Vul	♥ K 5
	♦ A 9 7 4
	♣ A 8 6

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



♠ K 3
♥ A Q 9 7 6 4
♦ 8 5
♣ 9 7 3

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

After opening 2 ♥ you reply to partner's Ougust 2 NT with 3 ♠, showing a maximum hand along with a good suit. Partner bids 4 ♥ and you pass.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 6  
♥ K J 9 6 4  
♦ J 8 6 2  
♣ Q 10 6

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

♠ J 5 2  
♥ A Q 10 2  
♦ 10 3  
♣ J 9 5 3

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

West	North	East	South
		Pass	2 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by South			

Before you read this lesson you might have just jumped to a Blackwood 4 NT. But now you bid an Overcall 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♠. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has a maximum Weak 2-bid and a good trump suit, no doubt headed by the A Q. If he also has the ♥ A you might be cold for 7 ♠. Bid Blackwood if you must, but you don't really need to since partner could not possibly have The ♥ A AND ♠ A Q x x x x. Too many points for a Weak 2-bid. So you bid 6 ♠.