

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 4

♥ A 3 2

♦ T 4 2

♣ Q J 9 6

♠ 7 6 2

♥ J 9 5

♦ Q J 8

♣ 7 5 4 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q T

♥ 8 6

♦ A K 9 7 6 3

♣ K T 8

♠ A K 8 5 3

♥ K Q T 7 4

♦ 5

♣ A 3

West	North	East	South
		1♦	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♥
All Pass			

3♥ by South

Baker Michaels 13

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 18 points and 5-5 Major suits you are up in the high-level Michaels category. You bid 2♦ and partner responds 2♥. What do you bid next?

Yes, you have a high-level Michaels hand but don't get carried away. Remember that you forced partner to bid. Any bid at all by you at this point will show 17+ points, so you just raise to 3♥. Partner has a weak hand and passes.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 4
 ♥ A T 9 6 4
 ♦ K Q 6 5 2
 ♣ 8

♠ 3 2

♥ K Q 5

♦ A T 8

♣ Q T 7 5 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J T 8 7 6 5
 ♥ 8 3
 ♦ 7 4
 ♣ A 6

♠ A K
 ♥ J 7 2
 ♦ J 9 3
 ♣ K J 9 4 2

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

3♠ by East

Baker Michaels 14

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner wants you to bid ♥s or ♦s. You figure that in either of the red suits you will have a 7-card fit. You hope to do better than that in ♠s. So you bid 3♠ and everybody passes.

Board 3

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 5
♥ 8 5 3
♦ K 3 2
♣ K Q 8 5 4

♠ K Q T 6 2

♥ A K Q 7 4

♦ 5

♣ A 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8 7
♥ T 9 2
♦ A Q J 9 8
♣ J T 2

♠ J 9 4 3
♥ J 6
♦ T 7 6 4
♣ 9 7 6

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

4 ♠ by North

Baker Michaels 15

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have 20 points and two good 5-card Majors so you bid a Michaels 2♣. Partner responds 2♠. What do you say next?

Partner may have as few as zero points and as many as 13 or so. You COULD bid an invitational 3♠, but if he has only 5 or 6 points he will pass. Looking at your hand you only need to find partner with ♠ J x x to have a good shot at game. So go ahead and bid 4♠.

Will you look at that. Partner has only 2 points, but what great ones to have!

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 6
♥ K Q T 8
♦ 7 4 2
♣ A K 6 5

♠ 3

♥ J 7 6

♦ A K Q 9 6 3

♣ Q J 8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 9 8 5 2
♥ A 9 4 3 2
♦ T 5
♣ 9

♠ Q J T 7 4
♥ 5
♦ J 8
♣ T 7 4 3 2

West	North	East	South
	1♦	2♦	Pass
4♥	All Pass		

4♥ by West

Baker Michaels 16

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner has 5 of each Major suit so you know of a good 9-card ♥ fit. You have a nice hand and must decide between inviting with 3♥ or bidding the game on your own. You decide to bid the game so you say 4♥ and everybody passes.