

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 4
♥ A Q
♦ J 10 8 3 2
♣ 10 9 8 7

13
7 9
11

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by North

♠ Q J 8 3
♥ 8 7
♦ A 7 6
♣ K Q J 4



♠ K 10 6 5
♥ J 2
♦ K 5 4
♣ A 6 3 2

North

1 ♣

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

South

Dbl

3 ♠

SOUTH makes a Negative Double rather than responding 1st to indicate he has just a 4-card suit.

NORTH has four ths so she bids 1st, showing a minimum opener.

With 11 points SOUTH makes an invitational bid of 3rd but NORTH declines the invitation by passing.

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 6 4
♥ 10
♦ Q J 10 3
♣ 10 9 7 5 3

12
5 11
12

♠ 9 7 2
♥ A 6 3
♦ 8 6
♣ A K J 6 4



♠ A 5
♥ K Q J 8 2
♦ 7 4 2
♣ Q 8 2

♠ K J 10 8 3
♥ 9 7 5 4
♦ A K 9 5
♣ —

| West | North | East | South |
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| | 1 ♣ | 1 ♠ | 2 ♥ |
| Pass | 3 ♥ | Pass | 4 ♥ |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| 4 ♥ by South | | | |

SOUTH has 13 points and a 5-card

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suit so she should not use a Negative

Double. Instead she just bids 2

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Knowing SOUTH has five

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s NORTH can support with just three.

SOUTH bids the

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game.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 8 7 4 3

♥ 7 2

♦ Q 9 8 7

♣ 10 5

14

2 13

11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ K 9

♥ A Q J 9 6

♦ 10 5 4

♣ A 8 3



♠ Q J 5

♥ K 10 5 3

♦ A J 6 2

♣ 6 4

North

1 ♥

4 ♥

East

2 ♣

Pass

South

3 ♣

Pass

SOUTH has a Limit Raise hand but after EAST's overcall a 3

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bid

by SOUTH would be preemptive, not inviting. Instead he makes a Support Cue-bid.

NORTH has just enough that she can bid 4

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, knowing that if SOUTH has

a real block-buster he will bid on.

SOUTH doesn't have a real block-buster.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 7
 ♥ 8 7 5 2
 ♦ J 7
 ♣ K 8 5 4 3

18
 4 10
 8

West

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ 10 5
 ♥ A K Q 6 3
 ♦ A 10 8
 ♣ A J 7

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♠ A Q J 3
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ 9 6 4 2
 ♣ 10 9 6

North

1 ♥

3 NT

East

1 ♠

Pass

South

1 NT

Pass

SOUTH has 9 points and a stopper in
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NORTH has 19 points with a balanced
 hand so he bids 3 NT.