

Deal 1

North Deals	♠ K Q 8 6
None Vul	♥ A K J 2
	♦ A K Q
	♣ 8 6

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



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

West	North	East	South
	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by South

NORTH has a minimum 2 \hat{a} opening.

SOUTH, with 8 points and a 5-card suit, should make a positive response, 2 \hat{a} .

NORTH shows the \hat{a} support first, to set the trump suit, and to give SOUTH an opportunity

for a move toward slam if he wants to do so.

SOUTH would now make a Control-showing bid IF HE HAD A CONTROL. Since he doesn't he just returns

to 4 \hat{a} which NORTH passes.

Deal 2

North Deals	♠ A Q 9
None Vul	♥ A K 2
	♦ A 8 3
	♣ A J 7 4
♠ 10 8 5 2	
♥ 9 4	♠ J 7 4
♦ J 10 5	♥ J 10 7 6 3
♣ K Q 10 8	♦ Q 9 2

22	♠ K 6 3
6 4	♥ Q 8 5
8	♦ K 7 6 4
	♣ 9 5 3

West	North	East	South
	2 ♣	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by South			

NORTH, with 22 points and balanced, opens 2 \hat{a} , expecting to rebid 2 NT.

But SOUTH responds a positive 2 NT, showing a balanced hand with 8 or more points.

NORTH bids what his hand is worth, 3 NT and SOUTH passes.

Deal 3
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 8 6 4
 ♥ K 4
 ♦ Q 9 8 4
 ♣ Q J 10 7

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 8 4
 23

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♠ Q J 7 2
 ♥ Q 10 7 5
 ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 8 5 4

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

♠ A K 9
 ♥ A J 8 2
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ A K 9 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4 ♥ by South

SOUTH opens 2 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathcal{L}$ and NORTH responds 2

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}!$

showing fewer than 8 points.

SOUTH bids 2 NT with a 23 point balanced hand.

NORTH has enough points to bid 3 NT, but with two 4-card Major suits bids 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathcal{L}$ Stayman instead. SOUTH

won't confuse this as the second negative since that bid isn't used after a 2 NT rebid.

So SOUTH shows her 4-card

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{Y}$

suit and NORTH bids 4

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathbb{Y}$

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Deal 4North Deals
None Vul**♠ A K 9**
♥ A K 2
♦ A 8 3
♣ A Q 7 4**♠ 10 8 5 2**
♥ 9 4
♦ J 10 5
♣ 10 9 8 6**♠ J 7 4**
♥ J 10 7 6 3
♦ Q 9 2
♣ 5 2**24**
1 4
11
♣ K J 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	6 NT
6 NT by South			

SOUTH has a balanced hand with 11 points, so she responds 2 NT to NORTH's 2TM opening bid.

NORTH bids 3 NT. This shows 22-24 points, a hand he was planning to rebid 2 NT.

SOUTH knows the side has at least 33 points, but no more than 35 so she bids 6 NT.