

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 3 2

♥ T 4 2

♦ 7

♣ A J 8 7 5

♠ K 9 8 6 4

♥ A K 5 3

♦ J 8

♣ 6 4

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| ♠ Q | |
| ♥ 9 8 7 | |
| ♦ Q T 9 6 4 3 | |
| ♣ K 3 2 | |

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| ♠ A 7 5 | |
| ♥ Q J 6 | |
| ♦ A K 5 2 | |
| ♣ Q T 9 | |

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| West | North | East | South |
| | | | 1NT |
| Pass | 2♣ | Pass | 2♦ |
| Pass | 3♠ | Pass | 4♠ |
| All Pass | | | |

4 ♠ by South

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Because NORTH holds a 4-card Major suit, (

s), he starts his

responses with Stayman.

SOUTH denies holding any 4-card Major suit so NORTH gives up on

s.

He next bids showing five of them. He jumps to 3 giving SOUTH the choice

between 4 or 3NT.

With three trumps SOUTH chooses 4 .

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 8 6 5
 ♥ K 7 6 4
 ♦ A 3 2
 ♣ 5 4

♠ T 2
 ♥ T 8 5
 ♦ K Q T 9 6
 ♣ A 9 3

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♠ A K 7 3
 ♥ Q J 2
 ♦ J 5
 ♣ K Q J 6

♠ J 9 4
 ♥ A 9 3
 ♦ 8 7 4
 ♣ T 8 7 2

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| | | 1NT | Pass |
| Pass | 2♠ | Pass | 3♠ |
| Pass | 4♠ | All Pass | |

4 ♠ by North

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 WEST has a poor 9 points, but does have two 4-card Majors. So he uses Stayman.

When EAST bids 5WEST isn't strong enough to bid game herself, so she temporizes

with a 3 invitation.

EAST has a full 17 points so he accepts the invitation.

Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 2
♥ J T 8 6 3
♦ 8 4 3 2
♣ A K 6

♠ J T 8 7 6 5

♥ 9

♦ A Q 5

♣ T 7 2

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ A 9 4 3
♥ K 4 2
♦ J 7 6
♣ 9 5 3

♠ K Q
♥ A Q 7 5
♦ K T 9
♣ Q J 8 4

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| | | | 1NT |
| Pass | 2♥ | Pass | 2♠ |
| Pass | 3♠ | Pass | 4♠ |
| All Pass | | | |

4 ♠ by South

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NORTH, with 9 points and a 6-card suit, knows they should play in s.

The question is: how high?

NORTH transfers SOUTH to s then invites by raising to 3 .

SOUTH has only two trumps, (good ones, admittedly), but she has a maximum 17 point hand.

So she bids the game.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 4 2
 ♥ Q J T 7 5
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ 8 3

♠ A T 8

♥ 2

♦ J T 9 8 5 4

♣ K 9 5

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ K J 5
 ♥ A K 6
 ♦ A Q 2
 ♣ T 7 6 2

♠ 9 6 3
 ♥ 9 8 4 3
 ♦ 7 3
 ♣ A Q J 4

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|----------|
| | | 1NT | Pass |
| 2♣ | Pass | 2♦ | Pass |
| 2♥ | Pass | 4♥ | All Pass |

4♥ by East

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 WEST, with a 5-card AND a 4-card Major first uses Stayman.

EAST denies a 4-card Major, so WEST realizes that are out.

He then bids

s, promising five of them.

EAST not only has three

s, she also has 17 points so

she bids 4