

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 4
♥ T 7 4 3 2
♦ J 6 5 4 2
♣ J 8

♠ A J T 7 5

♥ 8

♦ A 3

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

	N	
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♠ 9 8 2
♥ Q J 9 6 5
♦ T 8 7
♣ T 3

♠ K Q 6 3
♥ A K
♦ K Q 9
♣ A K Q 5

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

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You dealt this hand. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

With 26 points you open 2♣. Partner responds 2♠. What do you bid next?

Partner has 8+ points and a good 5-card ♠ suit. You are absolutely sure you will go to slam, and right now the only thing you want to know is how many Aces are in partner's hand. So you use Blackwood 4NT. Partner answers 5♥. What is your bid?

Obviously you could bid 7♠. But in fact you can count that there will be thirteen top tricks without a ruff; 5 ♠s, 2 ♥s, 3 ♦s and 3 ♣s. So you might as well bid 7NT.(By the way, the people who bid 7♠ got the opening ♣ lead ruffed!)

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 4 2

♥ 8 7 4 3

♦ K 2

♣ A 6 5 2

♠ 6 3

♥ K Q J T 2

♦ T 9 6

♣ 9 8 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J T 8

♥ 9 5

♦ J 8 5 4 3

♣ J T 7

♠ A K Q 7 5

♥ A 6

♦ A Q 7

♣ K Q 3

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Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

With one more point you could have made a positive response. Instead, you bid 2♦. Partner now bids 2♠. What is your bid?

Not being in love with partner's ♠s, you have enough strength to now bid 3♥. Partner replies 3NT. What do you say?

When you have nothing more to say, you pass.

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♥	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South