

Deal 1

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

11	♠ 8 6 3
10	♥ A K Q 7 2
12	♦ K 6
	♣ 10 9 5

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	Pass
3 ♥ by South			

points will

be either 24 or 25. So he passes 3

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NORTH has 11 points and she should pass.

SOUTH has a minimum 1

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opening, 13 points and five trumps.

NORTH, with 4-card trump support, jumps to 3

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(This is called a Limit Raise.)

A Limit Raise is an invitational bid, but SOUTH can add and he knows the total

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ 10 9 6
♦ J 4
♣ K Q 9 8 3

6
10 11
13

West

♠ J 9 6 2

♥ K Q 7 5

♦ 8 3

♣ 10 7 4



♠ 8

♥ J 8 3

♦ A K Q 10 6 2

♣ J 5 2

♠ K Q 10 7 3
♥ A 4 2
♦ 9 7 5
♣ A 6

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass
Pass
2 ♠ by South

SOUTH has a normal 1 \hat{a} TM opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2 \hat{a} TM.

SOUTH passes, knowing he is not missing a game contract. NORTH can have a maximum of 10 points, which would

only reach 24 points when added to his 14.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10
♥ A 7 4 3 2
♦ Q 10 9 4
♣ J 7 3

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♠ K 6 4 2
♥ J 8 5
♦ K 3 2
♣ A 6 2

♠ J 9 8
♥ 10 9 6
♦ J 5
♣ K Q 10 8 5

♠ A Q 7 5 3
♥ K Q
♦ A 8 7 6
♣ 9 4

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by South			

With a 5-card \hat{a}^{TM} suit and 16 points SOUTH should open $1\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

NORTH has 11 points and four \hat{a}^{TM} s. So even though he has a balanced hand,

he jumps to $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$, a Limit Raise.

SOUTH adds: her 16 plus NORTH's 11/12 equals a game, $4\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 3 2
♥ Q J 9
♦ J 7 3
♣ A 8 7 4

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8 5
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♠
4 ♠ by South			

♠ A K Q 7
♥ 7 4 3
♦ 8 5 2
♣ Q 9 5

N
W E
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♠ 5
♥ K 10 8 5 2
♦ Q 10 9 4
♣ 10 6 2

♠ J 10 8 6 4

♥ A 6
♦ A K 6
♣ K J 3

SOUTH has the type of 5-card Major hand that many players would open 1 NT.

He has 17 points with most of them OUTSIDE the Major suit. But, many others

would disagree so for this Deal SOUTH will open 1â™.

NORTH has 11 points and excellent (is that strong enough?) â™ support.

So she naturally makes a Limit Raise of 3â™.

SOUTH adds the points and ignores the fact that his â™ suit is Jack high.

He bids 4â™.