

**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



♠ Q

♥ 9 8 7

♦ Q T 9 6 4 3

♣ K 3 2

♠ A 7 5

♥ Q J 6

♦ A K 5 2

♣ Q T 9

West

North

East

South

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**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

♠ J 9 4  
 ♥ A 9 3  
 ♦ 8 7 4  
 ♣ T 8 7 2

♠ 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

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

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

4♠ by East

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

When SOUTH bids 3♦ NORTH isn't strong enough to bid game herself, so she temporizes

with a 3♥ invitation.

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

**Board 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 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

West

North

East

South

1NT

Pass

2♥

Pass

2♠

Pass

3♠

Pass

4♠

All Pass

4♠ by North

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

The question is: how high?

SOUTH transfers NORTH to     then invites by raising to 3     .

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

So she bids the     game.

**Board 4**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 8  
 ♥ 2  
 ♦ J T 9 8 5 4  
 ♣ K 9 5

♠ K J 5

♥ A K 6

♦ A Q 2

♣ T 7 6 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 9 8 4 3

♦ 7 3

♣ A Q J 4

♠ Q 7 4 2

♥ Q J T 7 5

♦ K 6

♣ 8 3

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

4♥ by North

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

NORTH denies a 4-card Major, so SOUTH realizes that ♠ are out.

He then bids

s, promising five of them.

NORTH not only has three

s, she also has 17 points so

she bids 4

**Board 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 9  
 ♥ A 8 3  
 ♦ J T 4 3  
 ♣ K 6 5 4

♠ A K J 5

♥ K 6

♦ A Q 6 2

♣ T 7 2



♠ 8 6 3

♥ 9 4 2

♦ 9 8 5

♣ A Q J 9

♠ Q 7 4 2

♥ Q J T 7 5

♦ K 7

♣ 8 3

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

4 ♠ by South

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This is a companion hand to Deal 16.

NORTH shows four following SOUTH's Stayman bid.

So SOUTH ignores her five

s, having already found

an 8-card Major suit fit. With the fit her hand now revalues to 11 points so she bids 4 .

**Board 6**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8  
 ♥ 4 3 2  
 ♦ J T 4 3  
 ♣ A K 6 5

♠ Q 7 4 2  
 ♥ Q J T 7 5  
 ♦ K 7  
 ♣ 8 3



♠ T 9 6 3  
 ♥ A 9 8  
 ♦ 9 8 5  
 ♣ Q 9 4

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

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

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This is companion #3 to Deal 16 and 17.

NORTH again starts with Stayman, and after  
 SOUTH denies a 4-card Major,

NORTH shows her five

s.

But in this Deal SOUTH has only a doubleton

, so he

chooses to play 3NT.