

Board 1

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 7
♥ A Q T 8
♦ K 2
♣ A J 6 3

♠ K J 9 6

♥ K 9 7 3

♦ A Q 6 5

♣ 8



♠ A T 3 2
♥ 6 4
♦ 9 8
♣ K T 9 7 5

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

2 ♠ by South

Baker DONT 11

You have only 7 HCP but expect partner to have a reasonable hand since East could not keep the bidding open. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2♣.

Partner says 2♦.

Partner's 2♦ bid, the next suit up the line, asks you to name your other suit (or pass if your other suit is ♦s).

You bid 2♠ and everybody passes.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 9 4
♥ A 4 2
♦ K J 9 4 2
♣ A K

♠ A J 7 3

♥ K Q 9

♦ A Q 8 6

♣ 6 3



♠ K T 8 6 5 2
♥ J 6 3
♦ T 5
♣ 8 7

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

4 ♠ by North

Baker DONT 12

You would have opened 1NT but West beat you to it. You cannot double for penalties when you use DONT, so you pass.

Partner bids 2♠ in the balancing seat.

The 2♠ bid shows a weak hand, with more strength partner would have first doubled, then bid 2♠.

Still, you know he has a 6-card suit and you also know that every finesse is going to work. You either bid 3♠ or 4♠. Be bold.

Board 3

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T
 ♥ A K 6 4 3
 ♦ A J
 ♣ T 4 2

♠ 7 5
 ♥ 5 2
 ♦ Q 9 5
 ♣ A K J 9 8 3

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♠ J 9 3 2
 ♥ J 9
 ♦ T 8 7 3
 ♣ 7 6 5

♠ A 8 6 4
 ♥ Q T 8 7
 ♦ K 6 4 2
 ♣ Q

West	North	East	South
1NT	Dbl	Pass	2♣
All Pass			

2♣ by South

Baker DONT 13

This is a perfect hand with which to Disturb the Opponent's No Trump. You double and partner bids 2♣, the relay bid.

What do you say next?

You say pass, of course.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ K 9 2
♦ Q T 9 5 3
♣ J 7 3

♠ A 7 6

♥ Q T 5 3

♦ J 7 4 2

♣ 8 5

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♠ J T 2
♥ A J 8 7
♦ A K
♣ A T 6 4

♠ K Q 9 8 5
♥ 6 4
♦ 8 6
♣ K Q 9 2

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

2 ♠ by South

Baker DONT 14

Partner has two suits, ♣s and something else.

With ♣s your worst suit, you prefer to play in something else. So you bid the next suit up-the-line, which is 2♦.

Partner corrects to 2♠, his "something else" and you pass.

Board 5

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 9 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ K Q 3 2
♣ J T 4

♠ A K 6 3 2

♥ 9 4

♦ 8

♣ K Q 9 7 5

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♠ Q J 5

♥ A 5

♦ A J T 7 4

♣ A 6 2

♠ 8 7
♥ K Q J T 8 7
♦ 9 6 5
♣ 8 3

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

2♥ by South

Baker DONT 15
You have 12 HCP, certainly enough to use DONT in either seat. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2♣.

Partner says 2♥.

Partner would have bid 2♦, the next suit up the line, to ask you to name your other suit. His 2♥ bid says he wants to play right there.

So you pass.