Deal 1
North Deals
None Vul

♠ K 9
♡ A K J 6 5
♦ A 10 5
♣ A 7 6

♠ J 7
♡ 10 9 7
♦ Q 6 3
♣ 10 9 8 5 3

♠ A 10 6 5 4 3
♡ 2
♦ J 9 8 2
♣ J 4

19
3 6
12

♠ Q 8 2
♡ Q 8 4 3
♦ K 7 4
♣ K Q 2

West	*North*	*East*	*South*
	1♡	Pass	3♡
Pass	4♡	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4♡ by North

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NORTH has 20 points, a pretty strong hand to open 1

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SOUTH has 12 points, and makes a Limit Raise, a jump to 3

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NORTH is very, very close to bidding a slam. But she knows SOUTH has 12 points at most, so she should

take the safe position and just bid 4

Deal 2
North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 9 8 7 4 2
♡ K Q 3
♢ 8 6
♣ 9 5

♠ K
♡ A 8 7 4 2
♢ K 9 7
♣ 8 7 4 3

♠ 10
♡ 6 5
♢ J 10 3 2
♣ A K Q J 10 2

7
10 11
12

♠ A J 6 5 3
♡ J 10 9
♢ A Q 5 4
♣ 6

West	*North*	*East*	*South*
	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4♠ by South

NORTH passes to start with since he only has 9 points.

SOUTH naturally opens 1â™ with her 13 point, 5-card â™ suit hand.

NORTH might now make a Limit Raise since his hand is now worth 11 points because of the

two doubletons. However, with six trumps he should jump all the way to 4â™ .

Deal 3
North Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q 9 7 5 3
♡ Q 7
♢ A K 3
♣ K 2

♠ 6
♡ 10 9 3
♢ Q 9 7 5 4 2
♣ A J 4

♠ K 4
♡ A J 8 6 4
♢ J 10
♣ 10 9 8 5

18
7 **9**
6

♠ J 10 8 2
♡ K 5 2
♢ 8 6
♣ Q 7 6 3

West	*North*	*East*	*South*
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4 ♠ by North

NORTH has 20 points, counting two extra for the fifth and sixth â™ s.

Naturally she opens 1â™ .

SOUTH has a poor hand, but with 7 points he must respond. He has four of partner's â™ s

so he responds 2â™ .

NORTH

KNOWS

that 6 + 20 = 26, so she

GOES

to 4â™ .

Deal 4
South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 8
♡ K Q 5 4
♢ 9 7 5 3
♣ 10 6 4

♠ Q 5 3
♡ 6 3
♢ 8 6 4 2
♣ K Q J 2

♠ K 10 9 6 2
♡ 10 9
♢ A 10
♣ 9 8 7 5

6
8 7
19

♠ A 7 4
♡ A J 8 7 2
♢ K Q J
♣ A 3

West	*North*	*East*	*South*
			1♡
Pass	2♡	Pass	4♡
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4♡ by South

SOUTH has 20 points, but with a 5-card Major opens 1

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rather than 2 NT.

NORTH barely has enough points for a response, but she does have four

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So she responds 2

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SOUTH adds NORTH's 6 to his 20 and bids the game, 4

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