

Deal 1
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ - ♥ J 6 ♦ A K Q T 5 3 2 ♣ J 9 8 3	♠ Q 9 6 2 ♥ A K 5 3 ♦ 8 4 ♣ A 6 2
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13 11 3 13	♠ A K J 7 ♥ 8 7 ♦ 9 7 6 ♣ K Q 5 4
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West	North	East	South
			1♣
1♦	Dbl	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	.

4♠ by North

	♠ T 8 5 4 3 ♥ Q T 9 4 2 ♦ J ♣ T 7
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Baker Bidpractice/Set 11.1
 NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

first, (up-the-line).

But WEST's overcall gave NORTH the opportunity to bid both Majors at the same time! Since the

Negative Double promises both Majors it was like NORTH could bid 1

SOUTH has so she bids 1 showing a minimum opener.

NORTH has 13 points and the fit so he bids game.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 3	♦ Q 8 5 4 3 2
♥ K 5 2	♣ A 3

13	9	4
14		

♠ A K 6 2

♥ A T 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ Q 8 2

N	
W	E
S	

♠ J T 8 4

♥ Q 6 4

♦ J T

♣ 9 7 6 5

♠ Q 9 7	
♥ J 8 7	
♦ A K 6	
♣ K J T 4	

West	North	East	South
1♦	Dbl	Pass	1♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	1NT

3NT by North

stopper he bids 1NT.

NORTH happily bids 3NT.

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 2

NORTH has 13 points and four cards in both

s and rather

than bid one of them she makes a Negative Double, promising four cards in EACH of them. It's like

she was able to bid 1

SOUTH doesn't have four cards in either Major, but with a

Deal 3

North Deals	♠ A K J 7
None Vul	♥ 8 7
	♦ 9 7 6
	♣ K Q 5 4
♠ T 3	♠ 8 5 4
♥ Q T 9 6 4 3 2	♥ J
♦ Q 3	♦ A K J T 5 2
♣ J 7	♣ T 9 8
13	♠ Q 9 6 2
5 9	♥ A K 5
13	♦ 8 4
	♣ A 6 3 2

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

4 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 3
SOUTH cannot respond with a Negative Double on this hand because he has only three

s.

Instead he just bids his 4-card Major, 1 .

NORTH shows 4-card support with a minimum opener by bidding 2 and SOUTH

has enough strength to bid game.

Deal 4
South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 8
♥ K Q 7 5 4 3
♦ Q J
♣ J 3

15
12 0
13

♠ K 9
♥ 8 6 2
♦ A K 6 3
♣ K Q 7 5

N
W E
S

♠ 7 6 4
♥ 9
♦ T 5 4 2
♣ T 9 6 4 2

♠ A T 5 3 2
♥ A J T
♦ 9 8 7
♣ A 8

West	North	East	South
2♥ Pass	Dbl 3NT	Pass All Pass	1♠ 2NT

3 NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 4
NORTH has 15 points, and when West overcalls 2

in front

of her she has a perfect Negative Double - showing both of the Minor suits.

SOUTH doesn't like the Minor suits, but he has stoppers in

he bids 2NT.

NORTH is more than happy to raise to 3NT.

Deal 5

South Deals	♠ T 8 6
N-S Vul	♥ A 9 6 4 2
	♦ 8 4
	♣ K 6 2
♠ A K Q J 5 4 3	♠ 7 2
♥ T 3	♥ 8 5
♦ 7	♦ Q J T 9 5 3 2
♣ J 8 3	♣ 9 7
7	♠ 9
11 3	♥ K Q J 7
19	♦ A K 6
	♣ A Q T 5 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	1 ♣
All Pass			4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 5
NORTH would have responded 1

if WEST had not overcalled.

But with only 8 points he cannot bid at the 2-level. The Negative Double solves his problem,

giving this information to partner.

SOUTH has good

s and enough points to bid game.

Notice that if WEST had remained silent, NORTH would have responded 1

,

and SOUTH would have jumped to game.

Deal 6South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 5
 ♥ A Q J T 6 4
 ♦ J 8 5 3
 ♣ 6

9
 10 7
 14

♠ A K 6 2

♥ 9 3
 ♦ 9 7 2

♣ Q 9 8 2

N
W
E
S

♠ J 8 4 3
 ♥ 5 2
 ♦ Q T 4
 ♣ A 7 5 3

♠ T 9 7
 ♥ K 8 7
 ♦ A K 6
 ♣ K J T 4

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

2♣ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 6

NORTH has four so instead of bidding them she makes a Negative Double.

SOUTH knows there is no 8-card fit in but he does have

S

stopped. He bids 1NT.

NORTH has 9 points and with four she goes back to that suit and SOUTH passes.

Deal 7

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J T 5 4
 ♥ A 2
 ♦ J 8 4 3
 ♣ 8 5 3

14
 6 11
 9

♠ Q 9 7
 ♥ J 8 7
 ♦ A K 6
 ♣ K J T 4

N
 W E
 S

♠ A K 6 3 2
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ 9 7 2
 ♣ Q 9 2

♠ 8
 ♥ K Q T 6 5 4
 ♦ Q T 5
 ♣ A 7 6

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

2 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 7
 Compare this hand with Deal 6.

SOUTH has five this time so she bids 1 .

NORTH knows there

IS

an 8-card fit in so he bids 2 .

SOUTH has 10 points so she passes.

Deal 8

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4

♥ J 6

♦ J 5 3

♣ 7 6

8 11
 6
15

♠ 9 7
♥ K 8 7 4
♦ K Q 6
♣ K T 9 4

N
W E
S

♠ T 3
♥ 5 2
♦ A T 8 4 2
♣ Q 8 5 3

♠ A 5 2
♥ A Q T 9 3
♦ 9 7
♣ A J 2

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

All Pass

4♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 8
NORTH has 11/12 points, a Limit Raise in

s. So after the overcall

he makes a Support Cue-bid of 2 .

SOUTH adds her 16 to the 11 that NORTH has promised as a minimum and goes straight

to 4

If NORTH had significantly more than 11 he could bid on, but in this case he should happily pass.

Deal 9
 East Deals
 E-W Vul
 ♠ A K J 6 4
 ♥ 6
 ♦ Q 5 2
 ♣ J 6 5 3

6
 11 11
 12

♠ 9 7
 ♥ K 8 7 4
 ♦ T 8 6
 ♣ K T 9 4

N
 W E
 S

♠ Q T 3
 ♥ J 5 2
 ♦ A K J 4 3
 ♣ 8 7

♠ 8 5 2
 ♥ A Q T 9 3
 ♦ 9 7
 ♣ A Q 2

West North East South
 1♠ 3♥ Pass 1♥
 All Pass

3♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 9
 Compare this with Deal 8.

NORTH has 7 points, barely enough for a 2

raise if there had been no overcall.

But when WEST puts in the bid, NORTH can jump to 3

as a preemptive

measure. He knows SOUTH won't think he has strength because he did not make a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH does know it and passes 3

Deal 10

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 5	♦ Q 8 6 2
♥ T 8 7 5 2	♦ A K 9 3
♦ J T 8	♦ 9 7
♣ Q 5	♣ A 8 2

13	♠ A K 9 7 3
4	♥ 6 4
12	♦ 6 3
11	♣ K J T 4

♠ 4	N
♥ Q J	W E
♦ A K Q 5 4 2	S
♣ 9 7 6 3	

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

4 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 10
 NORTH has the strength for a raise to game in
 but this could be dangerous since SOUTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead,
 NORTH shows her strength with a Support
 Cue-bid.

SOUTH in fact had a pretty good overcall so
 he jumps to 3 and NORTH bids the game.

With a weak overcall SOUTH would have just
 returned to 2 which NORTH would pass.

Deal 11

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 5
♥ T 7 2
♦ T 6 5 4
♣ J T 5

13
2 16
9

♠ Q 8 6 2

♥ A K 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ A 8 2

N
W
E
S

♠ 4

♥ Q J 8

♦ A K J 8 2

♣ K Q 9 4

♠ A K 9 7 3
♥ 6 5 4
♦ Q 3
♣ 7 6 3

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

2 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 11
Compare this to Deal 10.

NORTH has the strength for a raise to game in
but this could be dangerous since SOUTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead,
NORTH shows her strength with a Support
Cue-bid.

SOUTH has very minimal overcall so he just
bids 2 which NORTH passes.

Deal 12

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A K J T 9 3
♥ 4 2
♦ 9 6
♣ T 7 3

11
8 1
20

♠ Q 7 5
♥ Q J 9 3
♦ A T 8 2
♣ Q 8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 6 4 2
♥ 6 5
♦ 7 5 3
♣ J 9 5 4 2

♠ 8
♥ A K T 8 7
♦ K Q J 4
♣ A K 6

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	2 ♠	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	5 ♦	Pass	4 NT
All Pass			6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 12
SOUTH has a maximum 1

opening bid.

NORTH would have made a Limit Raise in

s, but after WEST's overcall she

makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

SOUTH thinks there may be a slam and bids 4NT Blackwood to check for Aces. When NORTH admits to one Ace

SOUTH bids the slam.

Deal 13

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 9 5 4 3

♥ K 6 5 2

♦ Q

♣ Q 7 3

9
11 6
14

♠ 6 2
♥ A Q J 3
♦ J 8 4
♣ J 9 8 2

N
W E
S

♠ T 8
♥ 9 8 4
♦ K T 5 3 2
♣ K 6 5

♠ K Q J 7
♥ T 7
♦ A 9 7 6
♣ A T 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	1♦ 1NT
All Pass			

1 NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 13
NORTH has 9 points a a

suit - good enough to make a

Negative Double over WEST's 1 overcall.

But SOUTH doesn't have

s, she has and

s, so she bids 1NT to show

her stopper and a minimum opener.

NORTH should pass.

Deal 14

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 5 3
♥ Q T 5
♦ J 4 3
♣ A 6 5 3

13
7 13
7

♠ Q 9 7
♥ J 8 7
♦ A K 8 6
♣ K T 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K 6 4 2
♥ 9 3
♦ T 9 7
♣ 9 8 2

♠ J T
♥ A K 6 4 2
♦ Q 5 2
♣ Q J 7

West	North	East	South
	1♦	1♥	1♠
Pass	2♠	All Pass	

2 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 14

With five SOUTH bids the suit rather than making a negative double.

NORTH knows this shows a 5-card suit so he can support with only three s.

SOUTH doesn't have anything extra so she passes 2 .

Deal 15
South Deals
N-S Vul

♠ Q 3
♥ T 6 2
♦ A J
♣ K Q J T 8 3

13
13 1
13

♠ K 9 6 2
♥ A Q 5 3
♦ 8 4
♣ A 6 2

N
W E
S

♠ T 8 5 4
♥ J 4
♦ T 9 5 3 2
♣ 9 7

♠ A J 7
♥ K 9 8 7
♦ K Q 7 6
♣ 5 4

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

4♥ by North

extra strength. She is not really bidding

s on her own, she is supporting partner's suit.

NORTH has 13 points so he bids 4

Baker Bidpractice/Set11_15
NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

first, (up-the-line).

After WEST's overcall, NORTH makes a Negative Double, showing both Majors and at least 10 points to

make a 2-level Negative Double.

SOUTH bids 2

, showing a 4-card suit and minimum opening hand. Notice

that this is not a Reverse by SOUTH, showing

Deal 16

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 4	♦ A K 8 2
♥ K Q J T 4	♦ 9 6 3
♦ K 4 3	♦ J T
♣ A 9 7	♣ 8 6 5 3

8	♠ Q J 7 5
13 6	♥ 8 7
13	♦ A Q 8 6
	♣ K J T



♠ T 9 3	♦ A 5 2
♥ A 5 2	♦ 9 7 5 2
♦ 9 7 5 2	♣ Q 4 2

West	North	East	South
1♥	Dbl	2♥	1♦
All Pass		2♠	

2 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 16

NORTH has 8 points and she makes a Negative Double of the

overcall

to show exactly four s.

SOUTH also has four so he bids 2 at his turn to show a minimum.

NORTH is happy to pass.

Deal 17

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K Q 9 7 4 3**♥ 5****♦ 8 3 2****♣ 5 4****♠ J 8 5****♥ A T 8 4****♦ K 9****♣ K Q J 2****♠ 6****♥ 9 3 2****♦ J T 7 6 4****♣ A T 8 7****14****9 5****12**

♠ T 2
♥ K Q J 7 6
♦ A Q 5
♣ 9 6 3

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

4♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 17
 NORTH's Support Cue-bid shows at least Limit Raise strength and

support.

SOUTH has a minimum opening bid and can only return to 3

NORTH actually has better than the 12 points he promised, so he now bids 4

Deal 18

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q J T 5 3

♥ T 5

♦ J 6 5

♣ 9 3

8 11
 9
12

♠ 8 6 2

♥ 6 3

♦ K Q 9 7

♣ A Q 8 2



♠ K 4
♥ Q 9 4 2
♦ A T 8 2
♣ 7 6 5

♠ 9 7
♥ A K J 8 7
♦ 4 3
♣ K J T 4

West	North	East	South
2♠	Dbl	Pass	1♥ 3♣
All Pass			

3♣ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 18

NORTH has 11 points with both Minors and she doesn't want to sell out to WEST's 2 .

So she makes a Negative Double, effectively bidding both minors at once.

SOUTH has four so he bids the suit at the minimum level and NORTH passes.

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ -	♦ K T 9 3
♥ J 9 8 4	♥ 6 5
♦ Q J 9 7 5 3	♦ A 4
♣ A K 4	♣ Q J 6 5 2

10	♠ A Q J 7 5 2
11 0	♥ A K Q 7
19	♦ K 2
	♣ 8

♠ K T 9 3	♦ 8 6 4
♥ 6 5	♥ T 3 2
♦ A 4	♦ T 8 6
♣ Q J 6 5 2	♣ T 9 7 3

N	S
W	E

Baker Bidpractice/Set 11 19
NORTH makes a Support Cue-bid of 2

to show his Limit Raise in s.

SOUTH thinks slam and bids Blackwood to make sure they aren't off two Aces.

NORTH says he has one so SOUTH bids the slam.

West	North	East	South
			1♠
2♦	3♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

6♠ by South

Deal 20

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 7 6 4 2

♥ 5

♦ 8 7 6 4

♣ T 3

13
6 8
13

♠ 8
♥ A J 9 3
♦ K Q 5 2
♣ Q J 8 2

N
W E
S

♠ K J T
♥ T 6 4 2
♦ A T 9
♣ 9 7 6

♠ 9 5 3
♥ K Q 8 7
♦ J 3
♣ A K 5 4

West	North	East	South
2♠	Dbl	Pass	1♣
Pass	4♥	All Pass	3♥

4♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 20
NORTH can't bid 3

because that would show a 5-card suit.

Instead she makes a Negative Double.

SOUTH has four

s and he now bids them.

NORTH has 13 points so she bids 4

Deal 21South Deals
N-S Vul

♠ A 7
 ♥ A K Q 9 6 4
 ♦ Q 9 8
 ♣ T 9

11
 15 1
 13

♠ K T 6 5
 ♥ J 2
 ♦ K 5 4
 ♣ A 6 3 2

N
 W E
 S

♠ 9 4 2
 ♥ T 5 3
 ♦ J T 3 2
 ♣ 8 7 5

♠ Q J 8 3
 ♥ 8 7
 ♦ A 7 6
 ♣ K Q J 4

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 21

NORTH makes a Negative Double rather than responding 1 to indicate he has just a 4-card suit.

SOUTH has four so she bids 1 showing a minimum opener.

With 11 points NORTH makes an invitational bid of 3 but SOUTH declines the invitation by passing.

West	North	East	South
1♥	Dbl	Pass	1♣
Pass	3♠	All Pass	1♠

3 ♠ by North

Deal 22

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 8 6	♦ A 6 3	♥ 9 7 5	♣ A Q 9 3
♦ T 9 7			

8	12	12	8

♠ A 5
♥ K Q J 8 2
♦ 7 4 2
♣ Q 8 2

♠ 9 7 2	♦ 8 6	♥ A K J 6 4	♣ N
♦ 9 7 5	♦ A Q 9 3	♦ T 9 7	W E S

♠ K J T 4 3	♦ K J T 5	♥ T 4	♣ 5 3

West	North	East	South
	1♣	1♠	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

4♥ by South

game.

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 22
SOUTH has 13 points and a 5-card

suit so she should not use a Negative

Double. Instead she just bids 2

.

Knowing SOUTH has five

s NORTH can support with just three.

SOUTH bids the

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 8 4 3

♥ -

♦ Q 8 7

♣ K Q J T 9 7

11

12 3

14

♠ Q J 5
♥ K T 5 3
♦ A J 6 2
♣ 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ T 7 6 2
♥ 8 7 4 2
♦ K 9 3
♣ 5 2

♠ K 9
♥ A Q J 9 6
♦ T 5 4
♣ A 8 3

West	North	East	South
2♣	3♣	Pass	1♥ 4♥
All Pass			

4♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 23
NORTH has a Limit Raise hand but after
WEST's overcall a 3

bid

by NORTH would be preemptive, not inviting.
Instead he makes a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH has just enough that she can bid 4

, knowing that if NORTH has

a real block-buster he will bid on.

NORTH doesn't have a real block-buster.

Deal 24

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6
♥ T 8 7 2
♦ J 7 5
♣ K 5 4 3 2

18
4 10
8

♠ T 5
♥ A K Q 6 3
♦ A T 8
♣ A J 7

N
W E
S

♠ K 9 8 7 4 2
♥ 9 5
♦ K Q 3
♣ Q 8

♠ A Q J 3
♥ J 4
♦ 9 6 4 2
♣ T 9 6

Baker Bidpractice/Set11 24

SOUTH has 9 points and a stopper in so she responds 1NT.

NORTH has 19 points with a balanced hand so he bids 3NT.

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	1♠	1NT
	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North