

Deal 1

West Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 4 2
♥ J 2
♦ Q J 2
♣ Q J 10 8

14
12 3
11

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	1 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by North			

♠ 5 3
♥ A K 10 8 4
♦ K 6 3
♣ A 5 4

W N
S E

♠ A J 7 6
♥ Q 9 7 3
♦ A 5 4
♣ 9 2

♠ 10 9 8
♥ 6 5
♦ 10 9 8 7
♣ K 7 6 3

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

Nice hand. But not nice enough to double, then bid your ♥s. So you overcall 1 ♥. Partner says 3 ♥. It is your bid.

The jump raise promises 11-14 points. Your 17 plus partner's 11 or so takes you right up to game. You bid 4 ♥.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 5 2

♣ A K J 9 7 2

5
11 12
12

♠ 10 3

♥ A J 9 7 3

♦ 8 6 3

♣ 8 6 5

N
W E
S

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4

♥ 6 4

♦ A K Q

♣ 10 4

♠ A K 5

♥ K 10 5 2

♦ 10 9 7 4

♣ Q 3

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♣

Pass

2 NT

1 ♠

Pass

3 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by East

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner has at least 11 points for his 2-level overcall. He might have as many as 16. You have a perfect invitational hand including two sure stoppers in their suit. So you bid 2 NT. Partner raises to 3 NT and you get to play it there.

Deal 3

East Deals
None Vul

♠ 7 6 5
♥ 7 5
♦ Q 8 7 6 2
♣ 5 4 2

9
2 11
18

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ A 8 3 2
♥ K J 10 6
♦ J 9 3
♣ 10 8



♠ K Q 9
♥ A 8 4
♦ A 10 5
♣ K Q 9 3

♠ J 10 4
♥ Q 9 3 2
♦ K 4
♣ A J 7 6

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

This hand would be one point too strong to Open 1 NT, but it fits the 15-18 range to Overcall 1 NT. Partner responds 2 ♣. What do you bid?

Don't get your systems crossed. Partner did not make a cue-bid, he is using Stayman. Since you have no 4-card Major suit you answer 2 ♦. Partner now says 2 NT and the ball is in your court.

This is just a plain old 1 NT/Stayman sequence. Partner is inviting, and since you have 18 points you accept.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 10 7 5

♥ J 6

♦ 9 7 2

♣ Q 8 3

5
10 14
11

♠ J 4

♥ 10 8 4

♦ Q J 10 8

♣ J 9 4 2



♠ 9 2

♥ 9 5 3 2

♦ A K 4 3

♣ A 7 5

♠ Q 8 6 3

♥ A K Q 7

♦ 6 5

♣ K 10 6

*West**North**East**South*

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♦

1 ♦

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by West

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Wow! Great ♠ support and 15 points. You cue-bid 2 ♦, forcing partner to bid. He says 2 ♠. Your turn.

Partner has not made a strong bid and it is possible that T tricks will be too high. But it is pretty likely that game can be made so you bid it. Be bold!