

Deal 1
North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 5 3
♥ J 10
♦ 10 8 7 3
♣ K J 7 6

6
6 8
20

N
W E
S

♠ 6 4 2
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2
♦ —
♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ 6
♦ A 9 6 5 2
♣ Q 10

♠ A K
♥ K 8 5 3
♦ K Q J 4
♣ A 9 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
6 ♥ by North			

You need to find out about Aces so you bid 4 NT. Partner says 6 ♦. What do you bid?

Partner has shown one Ace and a ♦ void. As to what you bid, that's easy. You have no choice now but to say 6 ♥. This is a pretty good slam, but it is not cold. Maybe East will not lead a ♣. Or maybe West will have the ♦ A.

Deal 2West Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

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24 **10**
5
♣ 9 7 4

N
W E
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♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Not everybody responds to **2♣** openers the same way. But with 9 balanced points 2 NT is reasonable. Partner jumps to **4♣**. What do you bid?

With 2 Aces your response is **4♠**. Partner bids 6 NT and you pass.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2

	N		E	
W				S
	♦ 10 9 7 3		♣ 9 6 3	

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

West

North

East

South

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

2 NT

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

7 NT

Pass

Pass

7 NT by South

Interesting hand. Too bad these only come up in lessons and never at the table! You could jump right into Ace-asking but there is no rush so you say 2 ♠. Partner now rebids 2 NT. What do you say?

Now you know all about partner's hand. 22-24 points, balanced. Now ask for Aces. If you agree that 4 ♣ is Gerber here then that's what you should bid. If not, then you would have to use Blackwood. Partner answers 4 ♦. What do you say?

The 4 ♦ reply says either zero or all four. Put your money on all four and bid 7 NT.

Deal 4
 East Deals
 None Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♥ 2 ♦ A K 10 4 ♣ A 7 3	♠ 6 5 4 ♥ A 9 8 6 ♦ 7 2 ♣ 9 6 4 2
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♠ 7 ♥ 10 7 5 4 3 ♦ Q 9 8 5 3 ♣ 10 5	♠ A Q J 2 ♥ K Q J ♦ J 6 ♣ K Q J 8
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2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 ♠	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♦	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 ♠ by West			

With 15 points and a nice 5-card suit you respond **1 ♠**. Partner jumps to **4 ♠**. What do you say?

Do NOT say "Partner bid a close-out bid so I'll pass." Partner's bid means he thinks you can make **4 ♠** even though he is only counting you for 6 points. Since you have 15+ now you want to go for more. You bid **4 NT** and partner answers **5 ♦**. What do you say next?

Partner has 1 Ace so you can go no higher than 6. Although you can't tell for sure that slam will make, remember you used Blackwood just to be sure you weren't missing two Aces. You are not and you have enough points so you bid it. Although you can see that **6 NT** would have been a great contract you had to take the safer **6 ♠**.

Deal 5 ♠ 6 4 2
North Deals ♥ A Q 9 7 4 2
N-S Vul ♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2 ♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♠ J 5 3 ♥ 6
♥ J 10 ♦ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 10 8 7 3 ♣ Q 10
♣ K J 7 6 ♠ A K
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 6 8
 20
 ♣ A 9 3

N
W E
S

Deal 6

East Deals
E-W Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

24 10
5

N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 8 ♠ 6 5 4
West Deals ♥ A 9 8 6
None Vul ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2 ♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4 ♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3 ♣ K Q J 8

N
W E
S

♠ 7
4
14 20
2
♣ 10 5

♥ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3

Deal 9North Deals
E-W Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A Q 9 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ J 5 3

♥ J 10

♦ 10 8 7 3

♣ K J 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ Q 10 9 8 7

♥ 6

♦ A 9 6 5 2

♣ Q 10

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

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

24 **10**
5

N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 12 ♠ 6 5 4
West Deals ♥ A 9 8 6
N-S Vul ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2 ♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4 ♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3 ♣ K Q J 8



♠ 7
4
14 20
2
♦ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3
♣ 10 5

Deal 13

North Deals	♠ 6 4 2
Both Vul	♥ A Q 9 7 4 2
	♦ —
	♣ 8 5 4 2
♠ J 5 3	♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ J 10	♥ 6
♦ 10 8 7 3	♦ A 9 6 5 2
♣ K J 7 6	♣ Q 10
	♠ A K
6 8 20	♥ K 8 5 3
	♦ K Q J 4
	♣ A 9 3

N
W E
S

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

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24 10
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N
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♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2

W N E
S

♠ 9 7 2
♥ Q 9 5
♦ 10 9 7 3
♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 16

West Deals	♠ 6 5 4
E-W Vul	♥ A 9 8 6
	♦ 7 2
	♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3	♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2	♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4	♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3	♣ K Q J 8
	♠ 7
14 4 2 20	♥ 10 7 5 4 3
	♦ Q 9 8 5 3
	♣ 10 5



Deal 17

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A Q 9 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ J 5 3

♥ J 10

♦ 10 8 7 3

♣ K J 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ Q 10 9 8 7

♥ 6

♦ A 9 6 5 2

♣ Q 10

♠ A K
6 8
20
♦ K Q J 4
♣ A 9 3

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

24 **10**
5

N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 19

South Deals

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

E-W Vul

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 20

West Deals
Both Vul

♠ 6 5 4
♥ A 9 8 6
♦ 7 2
♣ 9 6 4 2

♠ K 10 9 8 3
♥ 2
♦ A K 10 4
♣ A 7 3



♠ A Q J 2
♥ K Q J
♦ J 6
♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7
4
14 20
2
♦ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3
♣ 10 5

Deal 21

North Deals	♠ 6 4 2
N-S Vul	♥ A Q 9 7 4 2
	♦ —
	♣ 8 5 4 2
♠ J 5 3	♠ Q 10 9 8 7
♥ J 10	♥ 6
♦ 10 8 7 3	♦ A 9 6 5 2
♣ K J 7 6	♣ Q 10
	♠ A K
6 8 20	♥ K 8 5 3
	♦ K Q J 4
	♣ A 9 3

N
W E
S

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

24 **10**
5

N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 24

West Deals ♠ 6 5 4
None Vul ♥ A 9 8 6
♦ 7 2
♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2 ♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4 ♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3 ♣ K Q J 8



♠ 7
4
14 20
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♦ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3
♣ 10 5

Deal 25North Deals
E-W Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A Q 9 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ J 5 3

♥ J 10

♦ 10 8 7 3

♣ K J 7 6

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W E
S

♠ Q 10 9 8 7

♥ 6

♦ A 9 6 5 2

♣ Q 10

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

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

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24 10
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N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 28

West Deals	♠ 6 5 4
N-S Vul	♥ A 9 8 6
	♦ 7 2
	♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3	♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2	♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4	♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3	♣ K Q J 8
	♠ 7
14 4 2 20	♥ 10 7 5 4 3
	♦ Q 9 8 5 3
	♣ 10 5

N
W E
S

Deal 29North Deals
Both Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A Q 9 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ J 5 3

♥ J 10

♦ 10 8 7 3

♣ K J 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ Q 10 9 8 7

♥ 6

♦ A 9 6 5 2

♣ Q 10

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

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

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N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 32 ♠ 6 5 4
West Deals ♥ A 9 8 6
E-W Vul ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2 ♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4 ♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3 ♣ K Q J 8

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W E
S

♠ 7
4
14 20
2
♣ 10 5

♥ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3

Deal 33

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A Q 9 7 4 2

♦ —

♣ 8 5 4 2

♠ J 5 3

♥ J 10

♦ 10 8 7 3

♣ K J 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ Q 10 9 8 7

♥ 6

♦ A 9 6 5 2

♣ Q 10

♠ A K
6 8
20
♦ K Q J 4
♣ A 9 3

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 8 3 2
♥ 10 7 6
♦ 4 2
♣ J 10 8 5 2

♠ K Q 4
♥ K Q J 3
♦ K Q J 5
♣ A K

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N
W E
S

♠ A 10 7
♥ 9 5 2
♦ A 10 8 6
♣ Q 6 3

♠ J 9 6 5
♥ A 8 4
♦ 9 7 3
♣ 9 7 4

Deal 35

South Deals

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

E-W Vul

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

12
3 2
23

Deal 36 ♠ 6 5 4
West Deals ♥ A 9 8 6
Both Vul ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 9 6 4 2
♠ K 10 9 8 3 ♠ A Q J 2
♥ 2 ♥ K Q J
♦ A K 10 4 ♦ J 6
♣ A 7 3 ♣ K Q J 8

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W E
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♠ 7
4
14 20
2
♣ 10 5

♥ 10 7 5 4 3
♦ Q 9 8 5 3