

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T 9 8

♥ J 8 7 5

♦ A 9 7

♣ T 4

♠ A 7

♥ A Q T 6 3

♦ Q T 4

♣ 7 5 3



♠ J 6 5 2

♥ 4

♦ K 6 3 2

♣ Q J 9 2

♠ K 4 3

♥ K 9 2

♦ J 8 5

♣ A K 8 6

West	North	East	South
			1 ♣
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	1NT
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	

4 ♥ by North

Baker NMF 6  
You are the dealer.

With 14 points you open your 4-card minor, 1 ♣.  
Partner responds 1 ♥.

This is easy. You cannot support ♥s at this point  
with only 3 cards. So you rebid 1NT.

Partner says 2 ♦. What do you bid?

This is New Minor Forcing. Partner wants to know if  
you have 3 ♥s. Not only do you have 3 good ♥s, but  
you also have a maximum hand. So you jump to 3 ♥  
and partner bids the game.

**Board 2**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ K J 9 7 6

♥ A K 8 7

♦ 6 4

♣ T 3



♠ 8 3

♥ J 6 3

♦ K Q 8

♣ 8 6 5 4 2

♠ Q 2

♥ Q 9 5 4

♦ A 5 2

♣ K Q 9 7

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

4 ♥ by North

Baker NMF 7

You have 12 points and you respond 1 ♠. Partner rebids 1NT. What do you say next?

Partner has 12-14 points, balanced. You have an excellent 4-card ♥ suit, but if you bid 2 ♥ right now it is not forcing on partner and he will almost surely pass. And you definitely don't have the points to jump to 3 ♥. New Minor Forcing gives you a way out.

So you say 2 ♦ and your wonderful partner bids 2 ♥. What now?

Your 12 points just got upgraded! Bid 4 ♥.

**Board 3**

North Deals

E-W Vul

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

♠ A Q 9

♥ 8 2

♦ A K T 9

♣ J T 9 5



♠ T 7 3

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ 6 4 3 2

♣ A 8

♠ K 5 2

♥ A J T 7 4

♦ J 5

♣ Q 7 4

West	North	East	South
	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	1NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

Baker NMF 8  
 You are the dealer.

This 14 point hand is almost good enough to open 1NT, but you bid 1 ♦. Partner responds 1 ♥. What do you bid next?

You could bid either 1NT or 2 ♣. You decide on 1NT.

Partner says 2 ♣. What do you bid?

This is NMF, asking if you have 3 ♥s. You only have 2, but you have a great notrump hand now. Since partner must have at least invitational strength you jump right to 3NT.

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

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

♠ K 9 4

♥ A K 5 4 2

♦ 8 5

♣ K J 9

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 3 2

♥ Q 7

♦ Q J T 9 3

♣ A T 7

♠ Q T 5

♥ J T

♦ A K 6 4 2

♣ Q 8 6

West	North	East	South
			1 ♦
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	1NT
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

Baker NMF 9

With 15 points you are going to insist on game. First you respond 1 ♥. Partner rebids 1NT. What do you say next?

Partner has 12-14 points, balanced. You are happy with notrump, but would prefer to play in ♥s if partner has three cards in the suit. To find out if he does, use New Minor Forcing.

So you say 2 ♣ and partner replies 2NT. It is your bid again.

Partner doesn't have 3 ♥s. That's what you wanted to know, you bid 3NT.

**Board 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ 9 8

♥ A J T 2

♦ A K Q 4

♣ T 9 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 7 5 3

♥ 8 7 5 4

♦ 9 7 2

♣ A 8

♠ K Q J 6 2

♥ K Q 6 3

♦ 8 6

♣ 5 4

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

4 ♥ by South

Baker NMF 10  
You are the dealer.

You have 14 points and you open 1 ♦. Partner responds 1 ♠.

You cannot bid 2 ♥ because a Reverse shows at least 16 points. So you bid 1NT. Partner says 2 ♣.

This is NMF, asking you to further describe your hand. You do not have 3 ♠s. You do have a 4-card ♥ suit. You have a maximum hand for your previous bidding, so you jump to 3 ♥. Partner raises to 4 ♥.