

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ Q 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3

17
2 5
16

West

Pass

Pass

6 NT by North

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ Q 9 8

♦ A K 4

♣ A J 9



♠ A K 3

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

North

1 NT

6 NT

East

Pass

Pass

South

4 NT

Pass

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner jumps to 4 NT.

This is the sequel to Deal 4. This time you have 17 points so you accept partner's invitation to slam and bid 6 NT.

You have 11 top tricks and can easily set up one more in ♣s.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 2
 ♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ K 4 2

16
 5 3
 16

West

Pass

Pass

6 NT by South

♠ A K 3

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

W N
 S E

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ Q 9 8

♦ A Q 4

♣ A J 9

North

4 NT

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 NT

6 NT

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner jumps to 4 NT.

This is the threequel to 4 and 5. With a "good 16" points you accept the invitation and bid 6 NT.

As you might expect, this time the slam is not so certain, but there is a good chance. If either Minor suit finesse works you can make 12 tricks.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 4
 ♥ A K 8 4 2
 ♦ 10 8 2
 ♣ A 8 3

4
 11 10
 15

West

Pass

Pass

2 ♥ by North

♠ 7 3
 ♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
 ♦ K 3
 ♣ 5 4 2



♠ K Q 6
 ♥ Q 5
 ♦ A J 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

North

2 ♥

♠ A J 10 9 8 2
 ♥ —
 ♦ Q 9 6 5
 ♣ Q J 7

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 NT

Pass

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

Surprise - you open 1 NT. Partner responds 2 ♥. What do you bid next? (no transfers in this lesson)

Pass. Partner has long ♥s (probably 6) and short points (fewer than 9). He has decided that 2 ♥ will be a better spot than 1 NT. Trust him.

Deal 4

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 2
♦ K 10 6
♣ Q J 2

9
6 8
17

♠ J 8
♥ Q J 10 7 3
♦ J 5 3
♣ A 7 3



♠ K Q 6
♥ K 5
♦ A Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ A 5 3
♥ A 9 6 4
♦ 9 8 2
♣ 8 5 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 NT by South			

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

You open 1 NT and partner replies 3 ♥. What do you say next?

With this bidding method, partner's bid shows at least 10 points and exactly 5 ♥s. He expects you to choose between 3 NT and 4 ♥. Since you have just a doubleton in ♥s you choose 3 NT.

NOTE: Jacoby Transfers are very useful for this type of hand.