

**Board 1**

East Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A T 3 2

♥ 6 4

♦ 9 8

♣ K T 9 7 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

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

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

2 ♠ by North

Baker DONT 11

You have only 7 HCP but expect partner to have a reasonable hand since West could not keep the bidding open. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2♣.

Partner says 2♦.

Partner's 2♦ bid, the next suit up the line, asks you to name your other suit (or pass if your other suit is ♦s).

You bid 2♠ and everybody passes.

**Board 2**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A J 7 3

♥ K Q 9

♦ A Q 8 6

♣ 6 3

♠ -

♥ T 8 7 5

♦ 7 3

♣ Q J T 9 5 4 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K T 8 6 5 2

♥ J 6 3

♦ T 5

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 9 4

♥ A 4 2

♦ K J 9 4 2

♣ A K

West	North	East	South
Pass	Pass	2♠	1NT
4♠	All Pass		Pass

4♠ by West

**Baker DONT 12**

You would have opened 1NT but South beat you to it.

You cannot double for penalties when you use

DONT, so you pass.

Partner bids 2♠ in the balancing seat.

The 2♠ bid shows a weak hand, with more strength partner would have first doubled, then bid 2♠.

Still, you know he has a 6-card suit and you also know that every finesse is going to work. You either bid 3♠ or 4♠. Be bold.

**Board 3**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q T  
 ♥ A K 6 4 3  
 ♦ A J  
 ♣ T 4 2

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ A 8 6 4  
 ♥ Q T 8 7  
 ♦ K 6 4 2  
 ♣ Q

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

2♣ by South

Baker DONT 13

This is a perfect hand with which to Disturb the Opponent's No Trump. You double and partner bids 2♣, the relay bid.

What do you say next?

You say pass, of course.

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q 9 8 5

♥ 6 4

♦ 8 6

♣ K Q 9 2

♠ 4 3

♥ K 9 2

♦ Q T 9 5 3

♣ J 7 3


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

 ♠ J T 2  
 ♥ A J 8 7  
 ♦ A K  
 ♣ A T 6 4

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

2 ♠ by West

## Baker DONT 14

Partner has two suits, ♣s and something else.

With ♣s your worst suit, you prefer to play in something else. So you bid the next suit up-the-line, which is 2♦.

Partner corrects to 2♠, his "something else" and you pass.

**Board 5**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 5

♥ A 5

♦ A J T 7 4

♣ A 6 2

♠ 8 7

♥ K Q J T 8 7

♦ 9 6 5

♣ 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 9 4

♥ 6 3 2

♦ K Q 3 2

♣ J T 4

♠ A K 6 3 2

♥ 9 4

♦ 8

♣ K Q 9 7 5

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

2♥ by North

**Baker DONT 15**

You have 12 HCP, certainly enough to use DONT in either seat. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2♣.

Partner says 2♥.

Partner would have bid 2♦, the next suit up the line, to ask you to name your other suit. His 2♥ bid says he wants to play right there.

So you pass.