

Deal 1

North Deals	♠ J 6		
None Vul	♥ Q J 9 7 5		
	♦ J 7 4		
	♣ A K 5		
♠ Q 10 9	♠ A K 7 5 2		
♥ A	♥ 8 3 2		
♦ 10 9 8 6 2	♦ K 3		
♣ J 10 4 2	♣ 8 7 6		
	♠ 8 4 3		
12 7 10 11	♥ K 10 6 4		
	♦ A Q 5		
	♣ Q 9 3		
West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 ♥ by North			

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s, 11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥, which partner passes.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

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

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6 12
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♠ Q J 8 6
 ♥ 7
 ♦ A K Q 4
 ♣ 8 6 3 2

W	N	E	S

♠ 5 2
 ♥ A J 9 4 2
 ♦ J 9 2
 ♣ A Q 10

♠ A K 10 9 4
 ♥ 8 5 3
 ♦ 6 5 3
 ♣ K 9

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 ♥	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by South			

You have 14 points in support of ♠s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♥, showing a good hand with support and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 3 ♠. What do you say?

4 ♠. Partner's jump shows a good overcall, but not enough strength to insist on game when you might have only 11 points. You have plenty extra so you bid the game.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 3
♥ 7 6 2
♦ 10 9 7 3
♣ 7 6 4 2

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♠ A K Q 6 4 2

♥ 8

♦ K Q 4

♣ K Q 5

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♠ 7
♥ A K Q 10 5 3
♦ J 5
♣ 10 9 8 3

♠ J 10 9 8
♥ J 9 4
♦ A 8 6 2
♣ A J

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	2 ♥	3 ♥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by North

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s, 11 points or more.

There is only one thing you want to know now - how many Aces partner holds. So you bid 4 NT to find out. Partner responds 5 ♥. What do you say?

You know you have a loser. Bid 6 ♠.

Deal 4

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 5 3 2
♥ 6 5
♦ J 10
♣ K 9 5 4

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♠ 8 6
♥ A 9 8 4
♦ 9 6 5 4
♣ A Q J

W N
S E

♠ K 10
♥ 7 3
♦ A K Q 2
♣ 8 7 6 3 2

♠ Q J 7 4
♥ K Q J 10 2
♦ 8 7 3
♣ 10

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♠	2 ♣	1 ♣	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	2 ♥
2 ♥ by South			

You have 12 points in support of ♥s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♣. Since the opponents have bid two suits you can cue-bid either one of them, so you usually pick the one you have the most strength in. Partner bids 2 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner had a minimum overcall so he made a minimum rebid.

Deal 5North Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 8 5 2
 ♥ 10 2
 ♦ 10 9 8 4
 ♣ 5 3 2

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♠ A 7 3
 ♥ A K 8 5 3
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ 9 7 4



♠ J 4
 ♥ 4
 ♦ K 3 2
 ♣ A K Q J 10 8 6

♠ K Q 10 6
 ♥ Q J 9 7 6
 ♦ Q J 7 5
 ♣ —

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	2 ♣	3 ♣
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass

Pass
 6 ♥ by North

You have about 15 points in support of ♥s so you cue-bid 3 ♣, showing a limit raise or better and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

5 ♣. Partner's jump shows a good hand and you have more than you have promised so far. This cue-bid is a different type, showing first round control in ♣s, Ace or void. That was apparently what partner wanted to hear since he went right to slam.