

**Deal 1**

East Deals  
None Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

West

Pass  
Pass

1 NT by North

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

North

1 NT

East

1 ♠  
Pass

South

Dbl  
Pass

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

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

The minimum requirements for a Takeout Double are 12 points, no more than two of Opener's suit, and at least 3-cards in the other suits. You just squeak by so you double. Partner says 1 NT and it is your bid again.

With no suit fit you can't even count a point for your doubleton so you have just 13 HCP. Partner's bid shows 8-T so you waste no time in passing. Don't worry about the ♠s, partner says he has them covered.

**Deal 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 3

♦ A J 10 5

♣ A K 6

1  
17 10  
12

*West*

Dbl

3 NT

3 NT by East

♠ 3

♥ 8 6 5

♦ 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



♠ K J 10 7 4 2

♥ A J 9

♦ K 9 7

♣ 3

*North*

Pass

Pass

*East*

1 NT

Pass

*South*

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

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

Partner is showing you 8-10 points and no 4-card ♥ suit.

With no Major fit you are happy to play in notrump, knowing partner can stop their suit. Partner's 8-10 points added to your 17 is a probable game so you bid 3 NT.

**Deal 3**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10  
 ♥ J 8 5 4  
 ♦ J 10 6 3 2  
 ♣ J 3

7  
 5 12  
 16

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

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



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

North

2 ♣

4 ♥

East

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

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

South

Dbl

2 ♥

Pass

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

You have 16 HCP and two more points for the fifth and sixth ♥s. That is too strong for a simple overcall. Instead you double. Partner responds 2 ♣. What do you bid?

You bid 2 ♥, describing your hand as a 1-suited hand, too strong to merely overcall. Partner bids the ♥ game and you pass.

**Deal 4**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

9  
6 14  
11

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



♠ J 9 2  
♥ A 9 4 2  
♦ Q 9 4  
♣ A 8 3

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

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

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

You should double. This is a special case of the Takeout Double, where the opponents have already bid two suits before it gets to you. Since they apparently have at least 20 points, you should have a solid hand with at least 4-4 in the two unbid suits. A hand just like this one.

Partner bids 2 ♦. What do you say next?

Just pass. This is obviously a fight for the partscore and you have the advantage because you have found a fit. However, you suspect partner is quite weak.

**Deal 5**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

North

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

East

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

South

Dbl

4 ♥

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

Pretty good hand you have. Certainly good enough to make a Takeout Double that forces partner to the 3-level. Partner responds 3 ♥. What do you bid?

Some questions don't have a correct answer. If partner has ♥ Q x x x along with the ♣ K and ♦ Q he would bid just as he did and slam would be cold. But if he has four small ♥s and nothing else he would bid just as he did and you probably cannot make ten tricks. On balance it is probably best to just bid the most likely reasonable contract, which is 4 ♥.

**Deal 6**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 4 2

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 6

♣ K 10 6 5

$$\begin{array}{c} 11 \\ 7 \quad 20 \\ 2 \end{array}$$

West

1 ♠

3 NT

3 NT by East

♠ K 6

♥ J 9 4

♦ K Q 9 7 5

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7 5 3

♥ Q 10 6 2

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 3 2

North

1 ♦

Pass

Pass

East

Dbl

1 NT

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

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

You have a perfect 2 NT opening hand. Trouble is, the opponents have already opened. You get around that problem by first making a Takeout Double. Partner replies 1 ♠.

You could not say 1 NT on your first bid because that would show 15-18 points. Doubling first, then bidding the lowest level of notrump shows 19-20 points. Of course in both cases you must have their suit adequately stopped. Partner does the math and bids 3 NT.

**Deal 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

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

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A J 10 5  
♣ A K 6

1  
17 10  
12

♠ 3  
♥ 8 6 5  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



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

♠ K J 10 7 4 2  
♥ A J 9  
♦ K 9 7  
♣ 3



**Deal 9**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 10  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ J 10 6 3 2  
♣ J 3

7  
5 12  
16

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



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

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

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

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

9  
6 14  
11

♠ K Q 10 6 3

♥ 10 8 6

♦ 6

♣ K J 10 5



♠ J 9 2

♥ A 9 4 2

♦ Q 9 4

♣ A 8 3

♠ A 8 5

♥ K Q 7 3

♦ A J 10 5

♣ 9 4

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

♠ A Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ J 7 4 2  
♣ 10 6 2

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 10 4 2

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 6

♣ K 10 6 5

11  
7 20  
2

♠ K 6

♥ J 9 4

♦ K Q 9 7 5

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7 5 3

♥ Q 10 6 2

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 3 2

♠ Q J 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10

♣ A J 9 7

**Deal 13**

North Deals

Both Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

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

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A J 10 5  
♣ A K 6

1  
17 10  
12

♠ 3  
♥ 8 6 5  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



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

♠ K J 10 7 4 2  
♥ A J 9  
♦ K 9 7  
♣ 3

**Deal 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ J 10 6 3 2  
♣ J 3

7  
5 12  
16

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



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

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

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

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

9  
6 14  
11

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



♠ J 9 2  
♥ A 9 4 2  
♦ Q 9 4  
♣ A 8 3

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



**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

♠ A Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ J 7 4 2  
♣ 10 6 2

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 10 4 2

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 6

♣ K 10 6 5

11  
7 20  
2

♠ K 6

♥ J 9 4

♦ K Q 9 7 5

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7 5 3

♥ Q 10 6 2

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 3 2

♠ Q J 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10

♣ A J 9 7

**Deal 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

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

**Deal 20**  
 West Deals  
 Both Vul

♠ 9 5  
 ♥ K Q 10 3  
 ♦ A J 10 5  
 ♣ A K 6

1  
 17 10  
 12

♠ 3  
 ♥ 8 6 5  
 ♦ 6 4 2  
 ♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



♠ K J 10 7 4 2  
 ♥ A J 9  
 ♦ K 9 7  
 ♣ 3

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

**Deal 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ J 10 6 3 2  
♣ J 3

7  
5 12  
16

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



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

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

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

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

9  
6 14  
11

♠ K Q 10 6 3

♥ 10 8 6

♦ 6

♣ K J 10 5



♠ J 9 2

♥ A 9 4 2

♦ Q 9 4

♣ A 8 3

♠ A 8 5

♥ K Q 7 3

♦ A J 10 5

♣ 9 4

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

♠ A Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ J 7 4 2  
♣ 10 6 2

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 4 2

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 6

♣ K 10 6 5

11  
7 20  
2

♠ K 6

♥ J 9 4

♦ K Q 9 7 5

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7 5 3

♥ Q 10 6 2

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 3 2

♠ Q J 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10

♣ A J 9 7



**Deal 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

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

**Deal 26**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A J 10 5  
♣ A K 6

1  
17 10  
12

♠ 3  
♥ 8 6 5  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



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

♠ K J 10 7 4 2  
♥ A J 9  
♦ K 9 7  
♣ 3

**Deal 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ J 10 6 3 2  
♣ J 3

7  
5 12  
16

♠ 7 6 4 3

♥ 9 6 2

♦ 9 4

♣ A K 8 6



♠ K 8

♥ A K Q 10 7 3

♦ A 7 5

♣ 9 4

♠ A J 9 5 2

♥ —

♦ K Q 8

♣ Q 10 7 5 2

**Deal 28**  
 West Deals  
 N-S Vul

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

9  
 6 14  
 11

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



♠ J 9 2  
 ♥ A 9 4 2  
 ♦ Q 9 4  
 ♣ A 8 3

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

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

♠ A Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ J 7 4 2  
♣ 10 6 2

**Deal 30**  
East Deals  
None Vul

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

11  
7 20  
2

♠ K 6  
♥ J 9 4  
♦ K Q 9 7 5  
♣ Q 8 4



♠ Q J 9  
♥ A K 8  
♦ A J 10  
♣ A J 9 7

♠ 8 7 5 3  
♥ Q 10 6 2  
♦ 4 3 2  
♣ 3 2

**Deal 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

9  
7 11  
13

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



♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A 10 5 4  
♣ A 9 6

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

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9 5  
♥ K Q 10 3  
♦ A J 10 5  
♣ A K 6

1  
17 10  
12

♠ 3  
♥ 8 6 5  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ J 10 9 8 4 2



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

♠ K J 10 7 4 2  
♥ A J 9  
♦ K 9 7  
♣ 3



**Deal 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10  
♥ J 8 5 4  
♦ J 10 6 3 2  
♣ J 3

7  
5 12  
16

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



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

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

**Deal 34**

East Deals

N-S Vul

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

9  
6 14  
11

♠ K Q 10 6 3

♥ 10 8 6

♦ 6

♣ K J 10 5



♠ J 9 2

♥ A 9 4 2

♦ Q 9 4

♣ A 8 3

♠ A 8 5

♥ K Q 7 3

♦ A J 10 5

♣ 9 4

**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

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

3  
8 7  
22

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



♠ 7  
♥ A K J 3  
♦ A K 10 5  
♣ A Q J 9

♠ A Q 10 9 6 4  
♥ —  
♦ J 7 4 2  
♣ 10 6 2

**Deal 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 10 4 2

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 6

♣ K 10 6 5

11  
7 20  
2

♠ K 6

♥ J 9 4

♦ K Q 9 7 5

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7 5 3

♥ Q 10 6 2

♦ 4 3 2

♣ 3 2

♠ Q J 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10

♣ A J 9 7