

Deal 1South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 3
♥ 7 4 3 2
♦ A Q 10 9
♣ J 10 5

8
9 10
13

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ 8 5 2
♥ A J 10
♦ K 6 5 3
♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4
♥ K Q 9 6
♦ J 8
♣ 9 7 6

West *North* *East* *South*
 Pass **1♠** Pass **1♣**
 Pass Pass **2♣**
2♣ by North

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have plenty good support to raise partner's ♣ suit. But your first priority is to show a 4-card Major suit if you have one. You do, so you respond 1♠. Partner raises you to 2♠.

Are you tempted to take partner back to ♣s since you have such good support? Don't be. Partner has 4 ♣s, but he might have only 3 ♣s.

Are you tempted to bid 3♠ since partner raised you? Don't be. He showed a minimum hand with his single raise and you only have 9 points. Just pass.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 9
♥ K Q 8 3
♦ Q 10 4 2
♣ 10 3

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14 13
7

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3
♥ 7 4
♦ J 7
♣ Q 7 2

♠ 7 6
♥ A J 9 6
♦ A K 8 3
♣ J 8 5

♠ 8 2
♥ 10 5 2
♦ 9 6 5
♣ A K 9 6 4

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 ♦ | Pass | 1 ♥ | Pass |
| 2 ♥ | Pass | 4 ♥ | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 4 ♥ by East | | | |

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

Some might jump to 2 NT, "to show partner my point count". Some might jump to 3 ♦, "to force partner to game and show my ♦ support". The wise ones will just bid 1 ♥, striving to find an 8-card Major fit, the first priority of bidding.

You choose the 1 ♥ route, and partner obligingly says 2 ♥. What do you bid next?

Remember "She who knows, goes"? You know of the 8-card Major fit. You know of at least 26 combined points. You know you should bid 4 ♥, so you do.

Deal 3
South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 8 5 2
♥ J 10 4 2
♦ K 8
♣ 8 5 2

13
8 6
13

West North East South
Pass 1 ♥ Pass 1 ♣
Pass 4 ♠ Pass Pass
Pass
4 ♠ by South

♠ Q J 10 7
♥ K Q 9 8
♦ 7 6 2
♣ K Q

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 3
♦ A Q 5 4 3
♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ K 9 6 3
♥ A 7
♦ J 10 9
♣ A J 10 7

N
W E
S

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

When you have two 4-card suits to show you bid them "up-the-line". In this case it means you say 1 ♥. Partner replies 1 ♠. What do you bid?

There are enough points for game and a known 8-card Major fit. So you bid 4 ♠.

Perfect bidding isn't always rewarded. They can win three ♦ tricks and the Ace of trumps. If the opening lead is a ♥ or a ♣ you might make it, so it just depends on luck.

Deal 4East Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 5
 ♥ K 10 6
 ♦ Q 9 8 6
 ♣ A 9 6

8
 14 14
 4

♠ 9 7 6
 ♥ A 4
 ♦ J 5 3
 ♣ Q J 10 8 7

N
 W E
 S

♠ K 10 4
 ♥ J 9 7
 ♦ A K 7 2
 ♣ K 5 3

♠ Q 8 3 2
 ♥ Q 8 5 3 2
 ♦ 10 4
 ♣ 4 2

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 2 NT | Pass | 1 ♦ | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 3 NT by West | | | |

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have two very good choices, neither of which is really wrong. You could bid 2 NT, showing 13-16 points, balanced, or you could bid 3 ♦, showing 13-16 points, good trump support.

What should decide you is the bidding priorities. You'd much rather try to play a 9-trick game than an 11-trick game. And at the same time you must trust your partner not to leave you hung out in Notrump with an unsuitable hand. (Can you believe I wrote Notrump and unsuitable in the same sentence?)

Anyway, you bid 2 NT and partner raises to 3 NT.

Deal 5
South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ 6 4

14
7 5
14

♠ 10 8 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ A Q 6
♣ Q J 5

♠ J 6 5
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 9 7

♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2

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|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
| Pass | 1 ♥ | Pass | 1 ♣ |
| Pass | 3 NT | Pass | 1 ♠ |
| Pass | | | Pass |

3 NT by North

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

With 14 points and a 4-3-3-3 distribution this could be the perfect hand for a jump to 2 NT. But not when the 4-card suit is a Major - you should not skip bidding a Major when you have the opportunity.

So you respond 1 ♥. Partner says 1 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner doesn't have 4 ♥s so you go back to thinking this is an ideal notrump hand. So ideal that you apply the "She who knows, goes" principle and bid 3 NT. Partner smiles and passes.

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5



♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

N
W E
S

♠ 7 6
♥ A J 9 6
♦ A K 8 3
♣ J 8 5

♠ 8 2

♥ 10 5 2

♦ 9 6 5

♣ A K 9 6 4

6
14 **13**
7

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 10 7

♥ K Q 9 8

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3



♠ K 9 6 3

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

13
8 6
13

Deal 9

**North Deals
E-W Vul**

♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ AJ5 N ♠

W E

♦ Q 9 8 6
♣ A 9 6

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8

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14
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**♠ K 10 4
♥ J 9 7
♦ A K 7 2
♣ K 5 3**

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 4 2

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 8 3

♥ K Q 10 6

♦ A Q 6

♣ Q J 5

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A 8 7 4 2

♦ J 9 5

♣ 6 4



♠ J 6 5

♥ 9 3

♦ 10 8 4 3

♣ A 10 9 7

♠ A K 9 2

♥ J 5

♦ K 7 2

♣ K 8 3 2

14
7 5
14

Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

8
9 10
13

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

N
W S E♠ 7 6
♥ A J 9 6
♦ A K 8 3
♣ J 8 56
14 13
7♠ 8 2
♥ 10 5 2
♦ 9 6 5
♣ A K 9 6 4

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ K 9 6 3

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

13
8 6
13

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 7 6
♥ A 4
♦ J 5 3
♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ A J 5
♥ K 10 6
♦ Q 9 8 6
♣ A 9 6

8
14 **14**
4

N
W E
S

♠ K 10 4
♥ J 9 7
♦ A K 7 2
♣ K 5 3

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 4 2

Deal 15

South Deals
N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ 6 4



♠ 10 8 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ A Q 6
♣ Q J 5

♠ J 6 5
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 9 7

♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2

14
7 5
14

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5



♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

N
W S E

♠ 7 6

♥ A J 9 6

♦ A K 8 3

♣ J 8 5

♠ 8 2

♥ 10 5 2

♦ 9 6 5

♣ A K 9 6 4

6
14 13
7

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 10 7

♥ K Q 9 8

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

W N E S

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ K 9 6 3

13

8 6

13

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9 7 6

• A 4

◆ J53

♦ J J 3
♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ A J 5

115 J
♥ K 10 6

◆ Q986

Q98
A96

**♠ K 10 4
♥ J 9 7
♦ A K 7 2
♣ K 5 3**

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♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 4 2

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Deal 20

West Deals
Both Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ 6 4

♠ 10 8 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ A Q 6
♣ Q J 5

N
W E
S

♠ J 6 5
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 9 7

14
7 5
14

♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5



♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♦ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

6
14 13
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♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

N
W E
S♠ 7 6
♥ A J 9 6
♦ A K 8 3
♣ J 8 5♠ 8 2
♥ 10 5 2
♦ 9 6 5
♣ A K 9 6 4

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ K 9 6 3

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

13
8 6
13

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 7 6

♥ A 4

♦ J 5 3

♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ A J 5

♥ K 10 6

♦ Q 9 8 6

♣ A 9 6



♠ K 10 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ A K 7 2

♣ K 5 3

8

14

4

♠ Q 8 3 2

♥ Q 8 5 3 2

♦ 10 4

♣ 4 2

Deal 25 ♠ 10 8 3
North Deals ♥ K Q 10 6
E-W Vul ♦ A Q 6
 ♣ Q J 5

♠ Q 7 4 ♠ J 6 5
♥ A 8 7 4 2 ♥ 9 3
♦ J 9 5 ♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ 6 4 ♣ A 10 9 7



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7 5
14
♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5



♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

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Deal 27South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

N
W S E

♠ 7 6

♥ A J 9 6

♦ A K 8 3

♣ J 8 5

♠ 8 2

♥ 10 5 2

♦ 9 6 5

♣ A K 9 6 4

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14 13
7

Deal 28

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 10 7

♥ K Q 9 8

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3



♠ K 9 6 3

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

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Deal 29 ♠ 9 7 6
North Deals ♥ A 4
Both Vul ♦ J 5 3
 ♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ A J 5 ♠ K 10 4
♥ K 10 6 ♥ J 9 7
♦ Q 9 8 6 ♦ A K 7 2
♣ A 9 6 ♣ K 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 4 2

8
14 14
4

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ 6 4

♠ 10 8 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ A Q 6
♣ Q J 5

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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ J 6 5
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 9 7

14
7 5
14

♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A K 8 3

♠ Q 3

♥ 7 4 3 2

♦ A Q 10 9

♣ J 10 5



♠ 8 5 2

♥ A J 10

♦ K 6 5 3

♣ Q 4 2

♠ A K 7 4

♥ K Q 9 6

♦ J 8

♣ 9 7 6

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J 10 5 4 3

♥ 7 4

♦ J 7

♣ Q 7 2

♠ A K 9

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ Q 10 4 2

♣ 10 3

N
W E
S

♠ 7 6

♥ A J 9 6

♦ A K 8 3

♣ J 8 5

♠ 8 2

♥ 10 5 2

♦ 9 6 5

♣ A K 9 6 4

6
14 13
7

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 10 7

♥ K Q 9 8

♦ 7 6 2

♣ K Q

♠ A 8 5 2

♥ J 10 4 2

♦ K 8

♣ 8 5 2

N
W E
S

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 3

♦ A Q 5 4 3

♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ K 9 6 3

♥ A 7

♦ J 10 9

♣ A J 10 7

13
8 6
13

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 7 6
♥ A 4
♦ J 5 3
♣ Q J 10 8 7

♠ A J 5
♥ K 10 6
♦ Q 9 8 6
♣ A 9 6

8
14 **14**
4

N
W E
S

♠ K 10 4
♥ J 9 7
♦ A K 7 2
♣ K 5 3

♠ Q 8 3 2
♥ Q 8 5 3 2
♦ 10 4
♣ 4 2

Deal 35 ♠ 10 8 3
South Deals ♥ K Q 10 6
E-W Vul ♦ A Q 6
 ♣ Q J 5

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A 8 7 4 2
♦ J 9 5
♣ 6 4

14
7 5
14

N
W E
S

♠ J 6 5
♥ 9 3
♦ 10 8 4 3
♣ A 10 9 7

♠ A K 9 2
♥ J 5
♦ K 7 2
♣ K 8 3 2