

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K Q J 5 4 3

♥ T 3

♦ 7

♣ J 8 3

♠ T 8 6

♥ A 9 6 4 2

♦ 8 4

♣ K 6 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 2

♥ 8 5

♦ Q J T 9 5 3 2

♣ 9 7

♠ 9

♥ K Q J 7

♦ A K 6

♣ A Q T 5 4

West	North	East	South
1♠	Dbl	Pass	1♣
All Pass			

4♥ by South

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NORTH would have responded 1

if WEST had not overcalled.

But with only 8 points he cannot bid at the 2-level.
The Negative Double solves his problem,

giving this information to partner.

SOUTH has good

s and enough points to bid game.

Notice that if WEST had remained silent, NORTH would have responded 1

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and SOUTH would have jumped to game.

Board 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 5

♥ A Q J T 6 4

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ 6

♠ A K 6 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 9 7 2

♣ Q 9 8 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 8 4 3

♥ 5 2

♦ Q T 4

♣ A 7 5 3

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

2♣ by North

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NORTH has four so instead of bidding them she makes a Negative Double.

SOUTH knows there is no 8-card fit in but he does have

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stopped. He bids 1NT.

NORTH has 9 points and with four she goes back to that suit and SOUTH passes.

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J T 5 4
♥ A 2
♦ J 8 4 3
♣ 8 5 3

♠ Q 9 7

♥ J 8 7

♦ A K 6

♣ K J T 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8

♥ K Q T 6 5 4

♦ Q T 5

♣ A 7 6

♠ A K 6 3 2
♥ 9 3
♦ 9 7 2
♣ Q 9 2

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

2 ♠ by North

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Compare this hand with Deal 6.

SOUTH has five this time so she bids 1 .

NORTH knows there

IS

an 8-card fit in so he bids 2 .

SOUTH has 10 points so she passes.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4

♥ J 6

♦ J 5 3

♣ 7 6

♠ 9 7

♥ K 8 7 4

♦ K Q 6

♣ K T 9 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 3

♥ 5 2

♦ A T 8 4 2

♣ Q 8 5 3

♠ A 5 2

♥ A Q T 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ A J 2

West	North	East	South
		Pass	1♥
1♠	2♠	Pass	4♥

All Pass

4♥ by South

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NORTH has 11/12 points, a Limit Raise in

s. So after the overcall

he makes a Support Cue-bid of 2 .

SOUTH adds her 16 to the 11 that NORTH has promised as a minimum and goes straight

to 4

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If NORTH had significantly more than 11 he could bid on, but in this case he should happily pass.