

Deal 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 5 3
♥ 7 3
♦ A 9 4
♣ Q 8 3

♠ 8 2

♥ 9

♦ K Q J 10 8 7 5

♣ J 10 4

N	W	E	S

♠ A 7 6

♥ A 10 8 5 4

♦ 3 2

♣ 9 7 2

12
7 8
13

♠ 10 9 4
♥ K Q J 6 2
♦ 6
♣ A K 6 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥

Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

You have 13 points and you respond 1 ♠. Partner rebids 2 ♣. What is your next bid?

You have ♦s stopped, and with your 13 points you might well jump to 3 NT. And while you may end up at 3 NT it can't hurt to find out if partner has 3 ♠s first. So you bid 2 ♦, FSF.

Partner says 2 ♠, telling you he has three of them, and you bid 4 ♠.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ 8 2
♦ A Q J 7 4 3
♣ 9 7 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 10 8 6
♥ K J 9
♦ 6
♣ A K 6 4 2

♠ A 7
♥ A Q 7 4 3
♦ 10 8 2
♣ J 10 5

West	North	East	South
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥
ALL	Pass		

4 ♥ by South

You are the dealer.

You have 15 points and you open 1 ♣. Partner responds 1 ♥.

Show your 4-card Major, bid 1 ♠. Partner says 2 ♦.

This is FSF, asking you to further describe your hand. Since you have 3 ♥s you will naturally let partner know that. But, your hand is so good you should jump to 3 ♥. Remember that partner may be bidding with only 12 points.

He was pretty weak, but with your jump finds enough to say 4 ♥.