

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5
♥ K J 2
♦ T 9 8 2
♣ 7 6 4 3

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ Q 2



♠ 4 2
♥ A Q T 9 8 5
♦ 5 3
♣ A T 5

♠ K T 9 3
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 4
♣ K J 9 8

West	North	East	South
	1♠	2♥	3♥
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

Baker Cue-bid 1

You have a limit raise in ♠s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3♠.

Instead, you cue-bid 3♥, promising at least 11 points and support for ♠s. Partner bids the game.

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q 6 3
 ♥ A 8 7 3
 ♦ Q 8
 ♣ 8 4 2

♠ 7 5 2
 ♥ Q J T
 ♦ T 9 5 4 3
 ♣ 7 6



♠ A T 9 8 4
 ♥ 9 6 4
 ♦ A K 7
 ♣ A 5

♠ J
 ♥ K 5 2
 ♦ J 6 2
 ♣ K Q J T 9 3

West	North	East	South
3♣	Pass	4♠	All Pass

4 ♠ by East

Baker Cue-bid 2

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s.

With your 17 revalued points you know that your side has at least enough for game, so bid 4♠.

Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q T 9 6 3
 ♥ 8 2
 ♦ 7 5 2
 ♣ A K 7

♠ 8 5

♥ Q 9 7 3

♦ K Q 4

♣ Q J 9 2

N
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♠ A K J
 ♥ J T
 ♦ T 9 8 6
 ♣ T 8 6 5

♠ 7 4 2
 ♥ A K 6 5 4
 ♦ A J 3
 ♣ 4 3

West	North	East	South
1♠	2♠	Pass	1♥ 3♥
All Pass			

3♥ by South

Baker Cue-bid 3

You have a limit raise in ♥s; if West had not overcalled you would have bid 3♥.

Instead, you cue-bid 2♠, promising at least 11 points and support for ♥s. Partner bids 3♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner indicates a minimum hand and you don't have enough extra to bid more.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 6 4

♥ A K J 5 3

♦ 9 7 4

♣ A K

♠ K Q J T 8 2

♥ T 6

♦ Q T 8 3

♣ J



♠ A 3

♥ Q 8 7 4

♦ J 6 2

♣ 8 7 4 2

♠ 7 5

♥ 9 2

♦ A K 5

♣ Q T 9 6 5 3

West

1♥

North

1♠

East

3♥

South

All Pass

3♥ by East

Baker Cue-bid 4

You have a pretty good hand and if partner has a limit raise or better you should bid 4♥.

But partner doesn't have a limit raise - if he did he would have cue-bid. So you pass.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 2
♥ Q J 2
♦ 9 8 5 3
♣ K 5 4

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ 9 2



♠ 4
♥ A K T 9 8 5
♦ T 2
♣ A Q J 7

♠ K T 9 3
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 4
♣ T 8 6 3

West	North	East	South
	1♠	2♥	3♠

All Pass

3♠ by South

Baker Cue-bid 5
You would have bid 2♠ if East had not overcalled.

Instead, with 4 trumps you can jump to 3♠ as a preemptive measure. Partner will not mistake this for a limit raise since you would have cue-bid with 11+ points and support.

The jump to 3 is based on the Law of Total Tricks - bidding to a trick level equal to the number of your side's trumps.