

**Board 1**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ -  
 ♥ K Q T 7 3  
 ♦ A 9 8 7 5  
 ♣ Q 5 3

♠ A Q T 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q T

♣ A 9 7 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 8 7 6

♥ J 9 2

♦ 6 4

♣ K T 8 6

♠ K J 4 2

♥ A 8 5

♦ K J 3 2

♣ J 2

West

1 ♥

Pass

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

All Pass

South

3 ♠

4 ♠ by North

**Baker Bidpractice/Set10 11**

With a 5-card suit and 13 points NORTH should overcall 1 .

SOUTH has 13 points and four . If NORTH had opened, SOUTH's hand would be good enough

to insist on game. But since NORTH overcalled, SOUTH merely invites with a jump to 3 .

NORTH has better than a minimum overcall so she accepts the invitation and bids 4 .

**Board 2**  
West Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ A 8 2  
♥ A 3  
♦ K J T 4  
♣ Q 8 6 4

♠ K J 6 4  
♥ J T 7 5  
♦ 6  
♣ A K J 3



♠ T 9 7 5  
♥ 2  
♦ Q 9 8 7 3  
♣ T 7 2

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	4 ♥
All Pass			

4 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 12  
NORTH has a very minimum Takeout Double of 1

. But what it lacks

in strength, it makes up for with perfect distribution.

SOUTH has 13 points and only wants to play in one contract, 4

.

NORTH passes happily.

**Board 3**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 8 3 2  
 ♥ 9 8 6 3  
 ♦ T 2  
 ♣ 9 8 5

♠ J 7 6

♥ T 5 2

♦ A J 9 4

♣ K T 2



♠ A T 9 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ Q 6

♣ A Q 4

♠ K 5

♥ A 4

♦ K 8 7 5 3

♣ J 7 6 3

West	North	East	South
		1 ♦	Dbl
Pass	1NT	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

so she bids 3NT.

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 13

SOUTH has 18 points, a doubleton in the opponent's suit, and at least three cards in the unbid suits.

This is an ideal hand for a Takeout Double.

NORTH has good strength in EAST's

suit, probably two stoppers.

He has 9 points and no 4-card suit of his own. This is the type of hand to respond 1NT.

SOUTH is happy to play Notrump now that she knows the

s are covered,

**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ J T  
 ♥ K T 7 6 3  
 ♦ Q 9 8 5  
 ♣ A K

♠ A K 9 6 4

♥ Q 5

♦ K 7 4

♣ J T 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 5 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ T 3 2

♣ 6 5 4 2

♠ Q 8

♥ A J 9 2

♦ A J 6

♣ Q 9 8 3

West

1 ♥

Pass

North

1 ♠

3NT

East

Pass

All Pass

South

2NT

3NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 14

NORTH has an opening hand, 14 points and five s.

But WEST beat him to the punch,

so he overcalls 1 .

SOUTH also has 14 points, she doesn't care too much for but she has an

excellent stopper in

s.

She jumps to 2NT, inviting NORTH to bid game.

Since NORTH has several points more than he might have had, and no 6-card suit to rebid,

he happily bids 3NT.

**Board 5**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 6 4 2

♥ A 4 2

♦ J

♣ T 9 5

♠ 8 7

♥ K Q 9 7

♦ A K 8 3

♣ Q J 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 5

♥ 8 6

♦ T 9 7 6 4 2

♣ 7 3 2

♠ A 9 3

♥ J T 5 3

♦ Q 5

♣ A K 8 6

West

1 ♠

Pass

All Pass

North

Dbl

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♠

4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 15

NORTH has 15 points and all the requirements for a  
Takeout Double of 1 .

With 14 points of his own, SOUTH knows his side  
needs to be in a game somewhere. He passes this  
information

to NORTH with a cue-bid of 2 .

NORTH gets the message and starts the hunt for a  
trump fit by bidding 3

. That

makes it easy for SOUTH - he bids 4

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