

**Deal 1**

South Deals	♠ 3		
None Vul	♥ Q 10 9 5		
	♦ A Q 3		
	♣ K J 10 8 3		
♠ K J 8 5	♠ A Q 7 6 2		
♥ 6 2	♥ 7 3		
♦ 9 6 4 2	♦ 8 7 5		
♣ 9 6 2	♣ 7 5 4		
	♠ 10 9 4		
12	♥ A K J 8 4		
4 6	♦ K J 10		
18	♣ A Q		
West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

It is your bid.

Partner's 3 ♠ bid is a Splinter, showing a singleton ♠, good trump support, and 13-16 points. You bid your first-round ♣ control, and partner replies with 4 ♦. What do you bid next?

There isn't really anything else you want to know. You think you can make slam so you bid 6 ♥.

**Deal 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10

♥ 6

♦ 10 4 3 2

♣ K 8 6 5 3 2

♠ A Q 6 2

♥ A Q 5 3

♦ J 9 8

♣ 10 7



♠ 9 8 7 5 4

♥ 8 2

♦ A 7 6

♣ Q J 4

♠ K 3

♥ K J 10 9 7 4

♦ K Q 5

♣ A 9

13

4

16

West      North      East      South

1 ♥

Pass      2 NT      Pass      3 ♥

Pass      3 ♠      Pass      4 NT

Pass      5 ♥      Pass      6 ♥

Pass      Pass      Pass

6 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

You have a perfect Jacoby 2 NT raise. Partner's rebid is 3 ♥. What is your next bid?

When partner shows an above average opener it is your duty to make a control bid if you can. So you bid 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 NT and it is your turn.

This is Blackwood. You respond 5 ♥ for two Aces and partner bids the slam.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 2

♥ K Q 3

♦ A K

♣ 8

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 4

♦ 6 5 2

♣ K J 10 7 3 2



♠ 10

♥ J 10 8 7 2

♦ Q J 9 4 3

♣ Q 5

**16**  
4 6  
**14**

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

West      North      East      South

1 ♠      Pass      2 NT

Pass      4 NT      Pass      5 ♠

Pass      7 NT      Pass      Pass

Pass

7 NT by South

It is your bid.

Partner has at least opening hand and he has 4 ♠s. There is only one thing you need to know - how many Aces he has. You bid Blackwood 4 NT and he responds 5 ♠. What is your next bid?

The three Aces does it for you. You can count 7 ♠ tricks, 3 ♥ tricks, 2 ♦ tricks and 1 ♣. That is 13 total so you go ahead and bid 7 NT.

**Deal 4**

South Deals	♠ 9		
None Vul	♥ K Q 8 5		
	♦ A 9 7 2		
	♣ K 7 4 3		
♠ A Q 8 4 2	♠ K J 10 3		
♥ 7 3	♥ 4 2		
♦ 10 8 5	♦ J 6 4 3		
♣ J 9 8	♣ Q 10 2		
	♠ 7 6 5		
12 7 7 14	♥ A J 10 9 6		
	♦ K Q		
	♣ A 6 5		
West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

It is your bid.

You have an opening hand with four of partner's Major suit so naturally you want to force to game. Although you could bid a Jacoby 2 NT, the presence of the singleton ♠ makes a Splinter Bid more attractive. So you double-jump to 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 ♣. What do you say next?

Partner's 4 ♣ bid is control showing, and indicates he is thinking slammish. You bid 4 ♦ showing your control and partner bids 6 ♥.

As you can see, South should make 12 tricks by discarding one ♣ loser on your ♦ A.