

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ Q 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3

$$\begin{matrix} 17 \\ 2 \\ 16 \end{matrix}$$


♠ Q J 10 5
♥ Q 9 8
♦ A K 4
♣ A J 9

♠ 2
♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
♦ J 7 3
♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3
♥ A K 7
♦ 10 8 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 NT	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 NT by North			

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner jumps to 4 NT.

This is the sequel to Deal 4. This time you have 17 points so you accept partner's invitation to slam and bid 6 NT.

You have 11 top tricks and can easily set up one more in ♣s.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 3
 ♥ A K 7
 ♦ 10 8 2
 ♣ Q 10 7 5

16 **3**
16 **16**
5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
4 NT	Pass	1 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
6 NT by East			

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10
 ♦ K 9 6 5
 ♣ 8 6 3

W	N	E
S		

♠ Q J 10 5
 ♥ Q 9 8
 ♦ A Q 4
 ♣ A J 9

♠ 2

♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ K 4 2

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner jumps to 4 NT.

This is the threequel to 4 and 5. With a "good 16" points you accept the invitation and bid 6 NT.

As you might expect, this time the slam is not so certain, but there is a good chance. If either Minor suit finesse works you can make 12 tricks.

Deal 3

West Deals	♠ K Q 6
None Vul	♥ Q 5
	♦ A J 7 4
	♣ K 10 9 6
♠ A J 10 9 8 2	♠ 5 4
♥ —	♥ A K 8 4 2
♦ Q 9 6 5	♦ 10 8 2
♣ Q J 7	♣ A 8 3
	♠ 7 3
10 15 10 11 4	♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
	♦ K 3
	♣ 5 4 2

N
W E
S

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 NT	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

2 ♥ by South

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Surprise - you open 1 NT. Partner responds 2 ♥. What do you bid next? (no transfers in this lesson)

Pass. Partner has long ♥s (probably 6) and short points (fewer than 9). He has decided that 2 ♥ will be a better spot than 1 NT. Trust him.

Deal 4North Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 6
♥ K 5
♦ A Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

6
17 9
8

N
W E
S

♠ 10 9 7 4 2
♥ 8 2
♦ K 10 6
♣ Q J 2

♠ J 8
♥ Q J 10 7 3
♦ J 5 3
♣ A 7 3

♠ A 5 3
♥ A 9 6 4
♦ 9 8 2
♣ 8 5 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	Pass	Pass	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
3 NT by West			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner replies 3 ♥. What do you say next?

With this bidding method, partner's bid shows at least 10 points and exactly 5 ♥s. He expects you to choose between 3 NT and 4 ♥. Since you have just a doubleton in ♥s you choose 3 NT.

NOTE: Jacoby Transfers are very useful for this type of hand.