

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

West

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ K Q 10 9 4

♥ A 8 6

♦ 9 5

♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3

♥ 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 4

♣ A J 6

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♦

2 ♠

Pass

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

It is the sign of a novice to support responder's 1-level response with only 3 of the suit. Very often he will have responded in a 4-card suit and you end up playing in a 7-card fit.

But that is not the case here. If partner had only 4 ♠s he would not have bid the suit, he would have made a Negative Double. Since his ♠ bid promises 5 it is quite correct for you to support with only 3. So you raise to 2 ♠ and partner bids the game.

North Deals
None Vul




♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 	2 	Pass
Pass	Dbl	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2  by East			

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

First let's agree on what you DON'T say. You don't say "double" because that would be a Negative Double showing at least one 4-card Major. You don't support partner's \heartsuit s with just two of them. You probably don't bid 1 NT with no honor in either Major. So you pass. This is called a "Trap Pass". Partner re-opens with a double. What do you say?

Now you see why it's called a "Trap Pass". When an overcall is followed by two passes Opener should try to find another bid. In particular he should try to double for takeout if he can. That's what North did here, but you converted it to a Penalty Double by passing.

Deal 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4

♥ A 8 6

♦ 9 5

♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3

♥ 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 4

♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6

♥ J 4 2

♦ 7 6 2

♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4

♥ A 8 6

♦ 9 5

♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3

♥ 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 4

♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6

♥ J 4 2

♦ 7 6 2

♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —

14
5 12
9

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —

14
5 12
9

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2

♥ K Q 10 9 7

♦ A 8 3

♣ 9 5 3

12

9 7

12

♠ K Q 10 9 4

♥ A 8 6

♦ 9 5

♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3

♥ 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 4

♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6

♥ J 4 2

♦ 7 6 2

♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4

♥ A 8 6

♦ 9 5

♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3

♥ 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 4

♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6

♥ J 4 2

♦ 7 6 2

♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —

14
5 12
9

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 20
West Deals
Both Vul

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 26
East Deals
Both Vul

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 28

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 29

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 30
East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —



♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 10 8 4 2
♥ J 4
♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
♣ —

14
5 12
9

♠ A K 7 5
♥ A 9 8 3
♦ K 8 6
♣ 9 5



♠ 9 6 3
♥ 10 5 2
♦ A 2
♣ K Q 10 8 6

♠ Q
♥ K Q 7 6
♦ 10 5
♣ A J 7 4 3 2

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

Deal 34
 East Deals
 N-S Vul

♠ J 10 8 4 2
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ Q J 9 7 4 3
 ♣ —

14
 5 12
 9

♠ A K 7 5
 ♥ A 9 8 3
 ♦ K 8 6
 ♣ 9 5



♠ Q
 ♥ K Q 7 6
 ♦ 10 5
 ♣ A J 7 4 3 2

♠ 9 6 3
 ♥ 10 5 2
 ♦ A 2
 ♣ K Q 10 8 6

Deal 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ K Q 10 9 7
♦ A 8 3
♣ 9 5 3

12
9 7
12

♠ K Q 10 9 4
♥ A 8 6
♦ 9 5
♣ K 10 4



♠ J 7 3
♥ 5 3
♦ K Q J 10 4
♣ A J 6

♠ A 8 6
♥ J 4 2
♦ 7 6 2
♣ Q 8 7 2

Deal 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K 7 5

♥ A 9 8 3

♦ K 8 6

♣ 9 5

♠ J 10 8 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 9 7 4 3

♣ —



♠ Q

♥ K Q 7 6

♦ 10 5

♣ A J 7 4 3 2

14
5 12
9

♠ 9 6 3

♥ 10 5 2

♦ A 2

♣ K Q 10 8 6