

**Deal 1**

South Deals

None Vul

**♠ 9 4 3****♥ Q J 10 7 6****♦ 9 3****♣ K J 3****5  
7 8  
20**

*West      North      East      South*  
Pass      3 ♠      Pass      2 NT

Pass      Pass      Pass      4 ♠

4 ♠ by North

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

With a balanced 20 point hand you open 2 NT. Partner responds 3 ♠. What do you bid next?

Partner is showing a 5-card ♠ suit and at least 5 points. This is a forcing bid; you are to choose between 3 NT and 4 ♠, depending on your ♠ holding. With three of them you bid 4 ♠.

**Deal 2**  
East Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 10 7 4 2  
♥ 10 8 4  
♦ Q 8  
♣ K J 7

♠ K 9 8 3  
♥ K Q 2  
♦ 10 7 4  
♣ 9 5 3

♠ Q 5  
♥ 9 7 5 3  
♦ A 9 5 3  
♣ A 10 2

8  
7 10  
15

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

West      North      East      South  
Pass      Pass      Pass      1 NT  
1 NT by South

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

You have 8 points. Even if partner has the maximum 17 it would only add to 25, which is probably not enough to make game. You should pass.

**Deal 3**

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

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♠ K 9 3  
♥ K Q 2  
♦ 10 9 7 4  
♣ J 5 3

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by North			

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

With 9 points you have just enough strength for an invitation. So you bid 2 NT. Partner then says 3 NT and everybody passes.

**Deal 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 5 2	♦ 7 3
♥ J 10 9 8 7	♦ A K 2
♦ 5 2	♦ K 10 9 4
♣ J 8 2	♣ Q 7 5 3

12	♠ A Q 10
5 7	♥ Q 6
16	♦ A J 7 3
	♣ K 10 9 6

West	North	East	South
Pass	3 NT	Pass	1 NT
Pass			Pass
3 NT by South			



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

A balanced hand with 12 points. Even if partner has just 15 points you want to be in game. So you bid 3 NT.