

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 4 3
 ♥ 3
 ♦ A J 10 8
 ♣ 8 7 4 3

18
 5 3
 14

♠ A J 6
 ♥ K 7 5
 ♦ K Q 5 3
 ♣ A J 5



♠ K Q 5
 ♥ A Q 9 6
 ♦ 7 6 4
 ♣ K 9 6

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	4 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 NT by North			

What is this doing here in the RKCB Practice Pages?

To emphasize that there are many 4 NT bids which are NOT asking for Aces.

In this case, NORTH showed a balanced hand with 18 or 19 points, and SOUTH invited him

to bid 6 NT if he felt his hand was a "maximum". He didn't, so he passed.

Deal 2

South Deals ♠ A 9 7 2
 None Vul ♥ Q J 5 3
 ♦ Q J 7 5 3
 ♣ —

♠ Q J 10 8 6 3 ♠ 4
 ♥ — ♥ 10 8 4
 ♦ 10 9 4 ♦ A 6 2
 ♣ A K 3 2 ♣ Q J 10 9 8 5

♠ K 5
 ♥ A K 9 7 6 2
 ♦ K 8
 ♣ 7 6 4

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 ♣	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

When NORTH makes a Splinter bid, showing

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support and â™£ shortness,

SOUTH naturally thinks about slam.

She uses RKCB 4 NT, and NORTH, with one Key Card and a â™£ Void, bids 6â™£.

Just what SOUTH needed for the 6

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bid.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 4
 ♥ 7 6 3
 ♦ J 9 7
 ♣ 10 6 5 3

16
 2 5
 17

♠ Q 9 8 2
 ♥ A 9 5
 ♦ A 6 4
 ♣ K Q J



♠ A K 6 3
 ♥ K Q 10 4
 ♦ K Q 8 5
 ♣ 2

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♠	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♠ by North

SOUTH thinks they should be in slam, and uses Stayman to check for a 4-4 Major fit.

When NORTH announces four ♠s SOUTH uses RKCB 4 NT.

NORTH's 5♠ bid shows two Key Cards plus the ♠ Q.

This fills the holes in SOUTH's hand nicely, so she bids 6♠.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

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

17
 5 2
 16

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

5 ♠ by South

♠ A K 6 3
 ♥ K Q 10 4
 ♦ K Q 8 5
 ♣ 2



♠ J 9 8 2
 ♥ A 9 5
 ♦ A J 4
 ♣ K Q J

North

2 ♣

4 NT

5 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

♠ Q 4
 ♥ 6 3 2
 ♦ 7 6 3
 ♣ 9 7 6 5 3

South

1 NT

2 ♠

5 ♥

Pass

This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, NORTH uses RKCB after the 4-4
 ♠TM fit is discovered.

This time SOUTH shows two Key Cards
 without the ♠TM Q.

Now NORTH realizes that in addition to
 one outside Ace, there is a very possible
 loser

in trumps. So she stops at 5♠TM.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 4

♥ J 9 5

♦ A K 7 6

♣ A 5 4

♠ 6

♥ 10 7 3 2

♦ 10 8

♣ K Q J 10 9 6

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♠ Q J 10 9 8 5

♥ —

♦ Q J 9 4 2

♣ 3 2

♠ 7 3 2

♥ A K Q 8 6 4

♦ 5 3

♣ 8 7

19

6 6

9

West

North

East

South

Pass

2 NT

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT

3 NT by North

The chances of a slam on this hand are very small, and if NORTH decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when SOUTH shows two Key Cards.

NORTH has a better way to find out about the hand. She bids 2 NT asking SOUTH to further describe

his hand. SOUTH should then bid 3 NT, showing a solid suit headed by AKQ.

SOUTH cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so NORTH just passes 3 NT.