

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 3

♥ T 8 5

♦ T

♣ 9 5 3 2

♠ J T 5 2

♥ 7 6 4 2

♦ 8 6

♣ J 8 6



♠ 4

♥ A 9 3

♦ K Q 5 4 3 2

♣ A T 7

♠ A 8 6

♥ K Q J

♦ A J 9 7

♣ K Q 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

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SOUTH has 20 points, excellent

stoppers and a balanced hand.

She is two points too strong to overcall 1NT. Instead, she doubles.

NORTH has an awful hand - but since he is forced to bid he says 1 ♠ assuming SOUTH wants

to hear his best suit.

SOUTH now bids 1NT, showing the balanced 19-21 point hand. NORTH passes, of course.

Board 2
 East Deals
 None Vul

♠ T 9 8 5
 ♥ 9 4
 ♦ T 9 6 2
 ♣ 5 3 2

♠ K J 6 2
 ♥ 6 5
 ♦ A Q 3
 ♣ 9 8 7 4



♠ A 3
 ♥ K J 8 7 3 2
 ♦ 8 4
 ♣ Q J T

♠ Q 7 4
 ♥ A Q T
 ♦ K J 7 5
 ♣ A K 6

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	Dbl
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

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SOUTH has a 19 point balanced hand, including a stop in

s.

He plans to double, then bid NT. (see Deal 9)

NORTH has 10 points though, so he jumps to 2 .

In theory SOUTH could now bid 2NT to continue the description of his hand, but he might as well

go ahead and bid 3NT instead.

Board 3

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9 8 7 6
 ♥ J 9 2
 ♦ 6 4
 ♣ K T 8 6

♠ K J 4 2

♥ A 8 5

♦ K J 3 2

♣ J 2



♠ -

♥ K Q T 7 3

♦ A 9 8 7 5

♣ Q 5 3

♠ A Q T 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q T

♣ A 9 7 4

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

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With a 5-card suit and 13 points SOUTH should overcall 1 .

NORTH has 13 points and four . If SOUTH had opened, NORTH's hand would be good enough

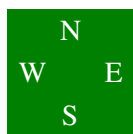
to insist on game. But since SOUTH overcalled, NORTH merely invites with a jump to 3 .

SOUTH has better than a minimum overcall so she accepts the invitation and bids 4 .

Board 4
West Deals
Both Vul

♠ A 8 2
♥ A 3
♦ K J T 4
♣ Q 8 6 4

♠ K J 6 4
♥ J T 7 5
♦ 6
♣ A K J 3



♠ T 9 7 5
♥ 2
♦ Q 9 8 7 3
♣ T 7 2

♠ Q 3
♥ K Q 9 8 6 4
♦ A 5 2
♣ 9 5

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	4 ♥
All Pass			

4 ♥ by South

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NORTH has a very minimum Takeout Double of 1

. But what it lacks

in strength, it makes up for with perfect distribution.

SOUTH has 13 points and only wants to play in one contract, 4

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NORTH passes happily.