

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

13  
7 9  
11

*West*

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by North

*North*

1 ♣

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

♠ Q J 8 3  
♥ 8 7  
♦ A 7 6  
♣ K Q J 4



♠ K 10 6 5  
♥ J 2  
♦ K 5 4  
♣ A 6 3 2

*East*

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

*South*

Dbl

3 ♠

SOUTH makes a Negative Double rather than responding 1<sup>st</sup> to indicate he has just a 4-card suit.

NORTH has four <sup>th</sup>s so she bids 1<sup>st</sup>, showing a minimum opener.

With 11 points SOUTH makes an invitational bid of 3<sup>rd</sup> but NORTH declines the invitation by passing.

**Deal 2**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ Q 6 4  
♥ 10  
♦ Q J 10 3  
♣ 10 9 7 5 3

12  
5 11  
12

♠ 9 7 2  
♥ A 6 3  
♦ 8 6  
♣ A K J 6 4



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

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

| West         | North | East | South |
|--------------|-------|------|-------|
|              | 1 ♣   | 1 ♠  | 2 ♥   |
| Pass         | 3 ♥   | Pass | 4 ♥   |
| Pass         | Pass  | Pass |       |
| 4 ♥ by South |       |      |       |

SOUTH has 13 points and a 5-card

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suit so she should not use a Negative

Double. Instead she just bids 2

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Knowing SOUTH has five

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s NORTH can support with just three.

SOUTH bids the

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game.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 8 7 4 3

♥ 7 2

♦ Q 9 8 7

♣ 10 5

14

2 13

11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ K 9

♥ A Q J 9 6

♦ 10 5 4

♣ A 8 3



♠ Q J 5

♥ K 10 5 3

♦ A J 6 2

♣ 6 4

North

1 ♥

4 ♥

East

2 ♣

Pass

South

3 ♣

Pass

SOUTH has a Limit Raise hand but after EAST's overcall a 3

♠<sup>TM</sup>¥

bid

by SOUTH would be preemptive, not inviting. Instead he makes a Support Cue-bid.

NORTH has just enough that she can bid 4

♠<sup>TM</sup>¥

, knowing that if SOUTH has

a real block-buster he will bid on.

SOUTH doesn't have a real block-buster.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

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

18  
 4 10  
 8

*West*

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ 10 5  
 ♥ A K Q 6 3  
 ♦ A 10 8  
 ♣ A J 7



♠ A Q J 3  
 ♥ J 4  
 ♦ 9 6 4 2  
 ♣ 10 9 6

*North*

1 ♥

3 NT

*East*

1 ♠

Pass

*South*

1 NT

Pass

SOUTH has 9 points and a stopper in  
 â™ s so she responds 1 NT.

NORTH has 19 points with a balanced  
 hand so he bids 3 NT.