

**Deal 1**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 5 4

♥ Q 8

♦ A K J 10 5 4

♣ J

12  
9  
13  
6

♠ A K 9 7 3

♥ 6 5 4

♦ Q 3

♣ 7 6 3



♠ —

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ K Q 10 9 5 4

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

West      North      East      South

1 ♦      1 ♠      Pass      2 ♦

Pass      2 ♠      Pass      Pass

Pass

2 ♠ by North

Compare this to Deal 10.

SOUTH has the strength for a raise to game in ♦'s, but this could be dangerous since NORTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead, SOUTH shows her strength with a Support Cue-bid.

NORTH has very minimal overcall so he just bids 2♦ which SOUTH passes.

**Deal 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K J 9 3  
♥ 6 5  
♦ 7 6 3  
♣ J 7 4

**11**  
**9 o**  
**20**



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

♠ 10 6 4 2  
♥ 4 2  
♦ 9 5  
♣ 10 9 5 3 2

| <i>West</i>  | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 ♠          | 2 ♠          | Pass        | 4 NT         |
| Pass         | 5 ♦          | Pass        | 6 ♥          |
| Pass         | Pass         | Pass        |              |
| 6 ♥ by South |              |             |              |

SOUTH has a maximum 1

â™¥

opening bid.

NORTH would have made a Limit Raise in

â™¥

s, but after WEST's overcall she makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

SOUTH thinks there may be a slam and bids 4 NT Blackwood to check for Aces. When NORTH admits to one Ace

SOUTH bids the slam.

**Deal 3**  
 North Deals  
 None Vul

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



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

| <i>West</i>   | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|---------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
|               | 1♦           | 1♠          | Dbl          |
| Pass          | 1 NT         | Pass        | Pass         |
| Pass          |              |             |              |
| 1 NT by North |              |             |              |

♠ K Q J 7  
 ♥ 10 7  
 ♦ A 9 7 6  
 ♣ A 10 4

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

SOUTH has 9 points a a

â™¥

suit - good enough to make a

Negative Double over EAST's 1â™ overcall.

But NORTH doesn't have

â™¥

s, she has â™ s and

â™!

s, so she bids 1 NT to show

her â™ stopper and a minimum opener.

SOUTH should pass.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 7

♥ J 8 7

♦ A K 8 6

♣ K 10 4

♠ 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q 3 2

♣ A Q J 6 5 3



♠ J 10 8

♥ A K Q 10 5 2

♦ J 5 4

♣ 7

♠ A K 6 4 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 10 9 7

♣ 9 8 2

**13****9 11****7**

West      North      East      South

1 ♦

1 ♥

1 ♠

Pass      2 ♠

Pass      Pass

Pass  
2 ♠ by South

With five â™'s SOUTH bids the suit rather than making a negative double.

NORTH knows this shows a 5-card suit so he can support with only three â™'s.

SOUTH doesn't have anything extra so she passes 2â™' .

**Deal 5**

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



|      |           |
|------|-----------|
| 13   | ♠ K 9 6 2 |
| 1 13 | ♥ A Q 5 3 |
| 13   | ♦ 8 4     |
|      | ♣ A 6 2   |

|              |       |      |       |
|--------------|-------|------|-------|
| West         | North | East | South |
|              | 1 ♦   | 2 ♣  | Dbl   |
| Pass         | 2 ♥   | Pass | 4 ♥   |
| Pass         | Pass  | Pass |       |
| 4 ♥ by North |       |      |       |

SOUTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

â™¥

first, (up-the-line).

After EAST's overcall, SOUTH makes a Negative Double, showing both Majors and at least 10 points to

make a 2-level Negative Double.

NORTH bids 2

â™¥

, showing a 4-card suit and minimum opening hand. Notice

that this is not a Reverse by NORTH, showing extra strength. She is not really bidding

â™¥

s on her own, she is supporting partner's suit.

SOUTH has 13 points so he bids 4

â™¥

.