

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ Q 2  
♥ J 7 5 2  
♦ A 6 5 2  
♣ Q 6 4

13  
9 6  
12

West

Pass  
Pass

3 NT by North

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



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

North

1 ♦  
3 NT

East

Pass  
Pass

South

3 ♦  
Pass

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have great ♦ support and perhaps 15 points. The "perhaps" is because partner may have only 3 ♦s, and if you are the long-trump hand any ruffs you take will probably not increase the number of trump tricks your side makes. But still, you have a great hand.

So you bid 3 ♦. Partner now says 3 NT. What do you bid?

You described your hand very well with your first bid. Partner heard the description and chose 3 NT. Since you trust your partner you pass.

**Deal 2**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K 9  
♦ A 8 3  
♣ Q 9 7 5

10  
16 6  
8

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
3 ♠ by East			

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

N  
W E  
S

♠ 10 7 2  
♥ A J 10  
♦ K 7 6 4 2  
♣ 4 3

♠ J 9 8 5  
♥ Q 7 4  
♦ 10 5  
♣ K 8 6 2

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You must make a weak response, and in theory there are 3 weak responses you could make with this hand. You could bid 2 ♣, 1 ♠ or 1 NT. And while none of them would be actually incorrect the best choice is to show your 4-card Major.

You bid 1 ♠. Partner jumps to 3 ♠. What do you say now?

You started with just 6 points, and after discovering the ♠ fit you revalue all the way up to 7 points. Partner has shown 16-18 and that's still not enough for game. You pass.

**Deal 3**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

17  
5 9  
9

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ A 9 3  
♥ A 10 8 3  
♦ K Q J 6  
♣ Q J



♠ 8 4  
♥ K Q 9 7  
♦ A 10 5  
♣ 10 8 6 2

North

1 ♦

3 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 ♥

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

Your top priority as responder is to show a Major suit if you have one, so you say 1 ♥. Partner jumps to 3 ♥. What do you say?

Partner knows you may have only 6 points and went to the 3-level anyway. He is inviting you to bid game if you have a bit more than the 6 you promised. You revalue up to T so you have quite a bit more. You accept his invitation and bid 4 ♥.

**Deal 4**

East Deals

None Vul

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

4  
 15 14  
 7

West

1 ♠

4 NT

5 ♠

5 ♠ by West

♠ 2

♥ 10 8 3 2

♦ A 7 5 3 2

♣ 5 4 3

N  
 W E  
 S

♠ A 7 4

♥ Q J 9 7 5

♦ 8 6 4

♣ 6 2

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♣

3 ♠

5 ♣

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have a very big hand. But there is no need to start jumping before you know whether you have a fit. So just bid 1 ♠, partner cannot pass this bid.

Partner now surprises you with a jump to 3 ♠!. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has 16 and you have more than that. Slam appears certain, by why not check for Aces? So you bid 4 NT and partner answers 5 ♣. What do you say next?

You probably say "Oh Darn!" or perhaps something less printable. But then you just sign off at 5 ♠.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 7 3  
 ♥ 10 4 2  
 ♦ 7 2  
 ♣ A 10 8 6

18  
 6 8  
 8

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♦

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

5 ♦

5 ♦ by North

♠ 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10 6 4

♣ K Q J 2



♠ K 10 6

♥ 7 5

♦ K Q 9 5 3

♣ 9 7 4

♠ A J 5 4 2

♥ Q J 9 6 3

♦ 8

♣ 5 3

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

That is great support, but always remember when supporting a Minor that partner might have only 3 of them. So you bid 2 ♦. Partner jumps to 4 ♦. What do you bid?

You were cautious with your first bid, but that is over now. Partner didn't open with a 3-card suit, he really has ♦s. He bypassed 3 NT in a flash, so he has no interest in playing anywhere but a ♦ contract. He invites you to bid game if you have something extra above the 6 points you already promised. You have a lot more than that, so you bid 5 ♦.