

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 4 2
♥ J 9 3 2
♦ Q 9 6
♣ J 3

♠ 3

♥ A 8 5

♦ K J 3

♣ A Q 8 7 5 4

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| | N | |
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♠ A 9 8 7 5

♥ T 7 6

♦ T 8 5 2

♣ 2

♠ K Q 6

♥ K Q 4

♦ A 7 4

♣ K T 9 6

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|------|-------|
| | | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | 3♣ | Pass | 4♣ |
| Pass | 4NT | Pass | 5♦ |
| Pass | 6♣ | Pass | |

6♣ by North

Baker Notrump 11

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1NT and partner responds 3♣. What is your next bid?

Partner's jump to 3♣ shows at least 5♣s and slam interest. Your hand is good enough to encourage that interest so you bypass 3NT and say 4♣. Partner now bids 4NT. What do you answer?

That is Blackwood. You admit to one Ace and partner bids 6♣.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 7 5 2

♥ 5

♦ K 9 8 7 5

♣ A 7 2

♠ K 9 6

♥ K J 6 4

♦ A Q 4

♣ Q J 5

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| | N | |
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♠ J T 4 3

♥ A T

♦ J T 3 2

♣ K 8 4

♠ Q 8

♥ Q 9 8 7 3 2

♦ 6

♣ T 9 6 3

West

1 ♦

All Pass

North

1NT

East

Pass

South

2 ♥

2 ♥ by South

Baker Notrump 12

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

A 1NT overcall is almost the same as a 1NT opening.

The range is increased to 15-18, but the main difference is that you must have the opponent's suit adequately stopped. Here you certainly have the stopper so you bid 1NT. Partner responds 2♥. What do you bid next?

And the responses are the same also. Partner's 2♥ bid is a signoff bid, often called a "drop dead" bid. So even though you really like the ♥s you pass.

Board 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6
♥ A Q 6
♦ K 9 6 3 2
♣ 6 4 3

♠ K Q T 7 2

♥ 8 3

♦ 7 5

♣ T 8 7 2



♠ 5 4 3
♥ J T 7 4
♦ J T 8
♣ K J 5

♠ A J 8

♥ K 9 5 2

♦ A Q 4

♣ A Q 9

| West | North | East | South |
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| | | | 2NT |
| Pass | 3♠ | Pass | 4♠ |
| All Pass | | | |

4 ♠ by South

Baker Notrump 13

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

With a balanced 20 point hand you open 2NT.

Partner responds 3 ♠. What do you bid next?

Partner is showing a 5-card ♠ suit and at least 5 points. This is a forcing bid; you are to choose between 3NT and 4 ♠, depending on your ♠ holding. With three of them you bid 4 ♠.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J T 7 5 4
♥ T 5 3
♦ A 8 5
♣ 7

♠ K 9 8 3

♥ K Q 2

♦ T 7 4

♣ 9 5 3



♠ 2

♥ 9 8 7 4

♦ Q 9 3

♣ A K J T 2

♠ A 6

♥ A J 6

♦ K J 6 2

♣ Q 8 6 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

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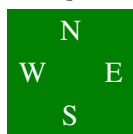
The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have 8 points. Even if partner has the maximum 17 it would only add to 25, which is probably not enough to make game. You should pass.

Board 5
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ T 8 6 5
 ♥ J T 8
 ♦ K 2
 ♣ A 8 6 2

♠ A Q 2
 ♥ A 9 7
 ♦ Q 8 3
 ♣ K Q T 4



♠ J 7 4
 ♥ 6 5 4 3
 ♦ A J 6 5
 ♣ 9 7

♠ K 9 3
 ♥ K Q 2
 ♦ T 9 7 4
 ♣ J 5 3

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| | 1NT | Pass | 2NT |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |

3 NT by North

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 The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 9 points you have just enough strength for an invitation. So you bid 2NT. Partner then says 3NT and everybody passes.