

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

20  
5 7  
8

West

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



♠ Q J 7 6 3  
♥ K 10 7 3  
♦ 4 2  
♣ Q 5

North

East

South

2 NT

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

3 ♦

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

3 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by North

With a balanced 20 points you open 2 NT and partner responds 3 ♣. What do you bid?

Stayman applies after a 2 NT opening, just one level higher. With no 4-card Major you bid 3 ♦. Partner next bids 3 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner is showing 5 ♠s and 4 ♥s. In neither case would you have the 8-card fit you need. So you bid 3 NT.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3

♥ K 5

♦ Q 8 7 5

♣ 7 4 2

8  
7 21  
4

West

3 ♣

3 NT

Pass

4 ♠ by East

♠ A 7

♥ 8 6 4 3 2

♦ 3

♣ A 8 6 5 3



♠ 8 4 2

♥ 10 7

♦ K 10 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

2 NT

3 ♥

4 ♠

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

You open 2 NT and partner responds 3 ♣.  
What do you bid?

With 4 cards in each Major suit you bid  
3 ♥. Partner puts you in 3 NT. What do  
you do? Pass or bid?

You certainly do not pass. Partner's  
Stayman bid tells you he has a 4-card  
Major suit. His 3 NT bid tells you the suit  
was not ♥s. Elementary, Watson, the suit  
must be ♠s. So you convert the 3 NT bid  
to 4 ♠.

If you want to make yourself happy you  
use Stayman, just imagine playing 3 NT  
after a ♣ lead!

**Deal 3**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

West

Pass  
Pass  
Pass

6 ♠ by South

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

North

3 ♣  
6 ♠

East

Pass  
Pass

South

2 NT  
3 ♠  
Pass

South opens 2 NT. What do you respond?

Wow! Start thinking slam, but first things first. Find the suit by starting with Stayman. You bid 3 ♣ and partner replies 3 ♠. What do you say next?

Your hand revalues to 16 points now that you know there's a ♠ fit. So certainly you want to be in slam as long as there are not two quick ♣ losers. At this point you might try something like a 4 ♦ cue bid, hoping partner will read that as a slam try in ♠s, but denying the ♣ control. But that seems awfully easy to be misunderstood. We suggest an immediate 6 ♠.

Good thing it's being played by South, right?

**Deal 4**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ A 8 3  
♥ A K 6 4  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ Q 8 7

10  
15 3  
12

West	North	East	South
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
2 ♥ by West			

♠ K J 9 6 5  
♥ 7 5 2  
♦ K 10  
♣ K 4 3



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

♠ Q 7 4 2  
♥ 10 9 8 3  
♦ J 8 7 6 3  
♣ —

West opens 1 NT. What do you respond?

Your first thought should be that with only 4 points you will pass. But on second thought, what would partner respond if you bid a Stayman 2 ♣? So you give it a shot and partner says 2 ♥. What next?

What's next is your PASS. And if he had bid 2 ♠ you also would have passed. And if he had bid 2 ♦ you also would have passed. You figured that with this hand any response partner could make would be a better place than 1 NT.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

None Vul

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

17  
 5 6  
 12

West

Pass

3 NT by North

♠ A K 7 3

♥ A 9 5

♦ 9 8 2

♣ A Q 2



♠ Q J 8 5

♥ K 6 4

♦ Q J 7

♣ K 10 8

North

1 NT

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

3 NT

North opens 1 NT. What do you respond?

With 12 points and a 4-card ♠ suit this fits the model for Stayman.

But thinking a little further, with this 4-3-3-3 distribution you have no ruffing values whatsoever. So even if partner also has 4 ♠s there might not be an advantage in playing the suit contract. So for this specific distribution you ignore your 4-card Major and just bid 3 NT.

**Deal 6**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

14  
11 15  
0

*West*

2 ♣

3 NT

3 NT by East

♠ K J 5 4 3 2

♥ A 3 2

♦ K 6

♣ Q J



♠ 7

♥ 10 9 8 6 5

♦ 8 4 3 2

♣ 6 3 2

*North*

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

*East*

1 NT

Pass

Pass

*South*

Pass

Pass

Pass

After you open 1 NT partner bids 2 ♣, then North says 2 ♠. What do you say next?

Basically you said your say when you opened 1 NT. You don't have a 4-card Major and you have a minimum hand. The best way to convey this information to partner is to pass. At which point partner jumps to 3 NT. What do you say?

Pass, then "Thank you partner" when dummy comes down. The thing to remember is that partner is in charge. You describe your hand as well as you can and then sit back and let him make the decisions. Perhaps you would have doubled if you held his hand but he didn't.

**Deal 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 9 5 4 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A J 6

♣ 4 3

20

5 7

8

♠ A K

♥ Q J 9

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ A J 10 7



♠ Q J 7 6 3

♥ K 10 7 3

♦ 4 2

♣ Q 5

♠ 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 10 9 7 5

♣ K 9 8 6 2

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3

♥ K 5

♦ Q 8 7 5

♣ 7 4 2

8

7 21

4

♠ A 7

♥ 8 6 4 3 2

♦ 3

♣ A 8 6 5 3



♠ K J 10 5

♥ A Q J 9

♦ A J 9

♣ K Q

♠ 8 4 2

♥ 10 7

♦ K 10 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9



**Deal 9**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

♠ 10 7 6  
♥ 7 6 5 2  
♦ Q 10 9 6  
♣ A 3

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 8 3  
♥ A K 6 4  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ Q 8 7

10  
15 3  
12

♠ K J 9 6 5  
♥ 7 5 2  
♦ K 10  
♣ K 4 3



♠ Q 7 4 2  
♥ 10 9 8 3  
♦ J 8 7 6 3  
♣ —

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

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

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

17  
5 6  
12

♠ A K 7 3

♥ A 9 5

♦ 9 8 2

♣ A Q 2



♠ Q J 8 5

♥ K 6 4

♦ Q J 7

♣ K 10 8

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

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A Q 10 6

♥ Q 7

♦ 10 9 5

♣ K 9 7 4

14  
11 15  
0

♠ K J 5 4 3 2

♥ A 3 2

♦ K 6

♣ Q J



♠ 7

♥ 10 9 8 6 5

♦ 8 4 3 2

♣ 6 3 2

♠ 9 8

♥ K J 4

♦ A Q J 7

♣ A 10 8 5

**Deal 13**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 9 5 4 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A J 6

♣ 4 3

20

5 7

8

♠ A K

♥ Q J 9

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ A J 10 7



♠ Q J 7 6 3

♥ K 10 7 3

♦ 4 2

♣ Q 5

♠ 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 10 9 7 5

♣ K 9 8 6 2

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3

♥ K 5

♦ Q 8 7 5

♣ 7 4 2

8

7 21

4

♠ A 7

♥ 8 6 4 3 2

♦ 3

♣ A 8 6 5 3



♠ K J 10 5

♥ A Q J 9

♦ A J 9

♣ K Q

♠ 8 4 2

♥ 10 7

♦ K 10 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9

**Deal 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

♠ 10 7 6  
♥ 7 6 5 2  
♦ Q 10 9 6  
♣ A 3

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 3  
♥ A K 6 4  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ Q 8 7

10  
15 3  
12

♠ K J 9 6 5  
♥ 7 5 2  
♦ K 10  
♣ K 4 3



♠ Q 7 4 2  
♥ 10 9 8 3  
♦ J 8 7 6 3  
♣ —

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



**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

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

17  
5 6  
12

♠ A K 7 3

♥ A 9 5

♦ 9 8 2

♣ A Q 2



♠ Q J 8 5

♥ K 6 4

♦ Q J 7

♣ K 10 8

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

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A Q 10 6

♥ Q 7

♦ 10 9 5

♣ K 9 7 4

14  
11 15  
0

♠ K J 5 4 3 2

♥ A 3 2

♦ K 6

♣ Q J



♠ 9 8

♥ K J 4

♦ A Q J 7

♣ A 10 8 5

♠ 7

♥ 10 9 8 6 5

♦ 8 4 3 2

♣ 6 3 2

**Deal 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 9 5 4 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A J 6

♣ 4 3

20

5 7

8

♠ A K

♥ Q J 9

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ A J 10 7



♠ Q J 7 6 3

♥ K 10 7 3

♦ 4 2

♣ Q 5

♠ 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 10 9 7 5

♣ K 9 8 6 2

**Deal 20**  
 West Deals  
 Both Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3  
 ♥ K 5  
 ♦ Q 8 7 5  
 ♣ 7 4 2

8  
 7 21  
 4

♠ A 7  
 ♥ 8 6 4 3 2  
 ♦ 3  
 ♣ A 8 6 5 3



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

♠ K J 10 5  
 ♥ A Q J 9  
 ♦ A J 9  
 ♣ K Q

**Deal 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

♠ 10 7 6  
♥ 7 6 5 2  
♦ Q 10 9 6  
♣ A 3

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 3  
♥ A K 6 4  
♦ Q 5 2  
♣ Q 8 7

10  
15 3  
12

♠ K J 9 6 5  
♥ 7 5 2  
♦ K 10  
♣ K 4 3



♠ Q 7 4 2  
♥ 10 9 8 3  
♦ J 8 7 6 3  
♣ —

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

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

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

17  
5 6  
12

♠ A K 7 3

♥ A 9 5

♦ 9 8 2

♣ A Q 2



♠ Q J 8 5

♥ K 6 4

♦ Q J 7

♣ K 10 8

♠ 9 6 2

♥ J 10 3 2

♦ A 3

♣ J 9 5 3

**Deal 24**  
West Deals  
None Vul

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

14  
11 15  
0

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



♠ 7  
♥ 10 9 8 6 5  
♦ 8 4 3 2  
♣ 6 3 2

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



**Deal 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 9 5 4 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A J 6

♣ 4 3

20

5 7

8

♠ A K

♥ Q J 9

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ A J 10 7



♠ Q J 7 6 3

♥ K 10 7 3

♦ 4 2

♣ Q 5

♠ 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 10 9 7 5

♣ K 9 8 6 2

**Deal 26**  
 East Deals  
 Both Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3  
 ♥ K 5  
 ♦ Q 8 7 5  
 ♣ 7 4 2

8  
 7 21  
 4

♠ A 7  
 ♥ 8 6 4 3 2  
 ♦ 3  
 ♣ A 8 6 5 3



♠ K J 10 5  
 ♥ A Q J 9  
 ♦ A J 9  
 ♣ K Q

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

**Deal 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

♠ 10 7 6  
♥ 7 6 5 2  
♦ Q 10 9 6  
♣ A 3

**Deal 28**  
 West Deals  
 N-S Vul

♠ A 8 3  
 ♥ A K 6 4  
 ♦ Q 5 2  
 ♣ Q 8 7

10  
 15 3  
 12

♠ K J 9 6 5  
 ♥ 7 5 2  
 ♦ K 10  
 ♣ K 4 3



♠ Q 7 4 2  
 ♥ 10 9 8 3  
 ♦ J 8 7 6 3  
 ♣ —

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

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

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

17  
5 6  
12

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



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

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

**Deal 30**  
East Deals  
None Vul

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

14  
11 15  
0

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



♠ 7  
♥ 10 9 8 6 5  
♦ 8 4 3 2  
♣ 6 3 2

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

**Deal 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 9 5 4 2

♥ 6 5 4

♦ A J 6

♣ 4 3

20

5 7

8

♠ A K

♥ Q J 9

♦ K Q 8 3

♣ A J 10 7



♠ Q J 7 6 3

♥ K 10 7 3

♦ 4 2

♣ Q 5

♠ 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 10 9 7 5

♣ K 9 8 6 2

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 9 6 3

♥ K 5

♦ Q 8 7 5

♣ 7 4 2

8

7 21

4

♠ A 7

♥ 8 6 4 3 2

♦ 3

♣ A 8 6 5 3



♠ K J 10 5

♥ A Q J 9

♦ A J 9

♣ K Q

♠ 8 4 2

♥ 10 7

♦ K 10 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9



**Deal 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 3  
♥ 8  
♦ J 7 5 4 3 2  
♣ Q 10 5 2

11  
3 6  
20

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



♠ A J 8 5  
♥ K J  
♦ A K 8  
♣ K J 9 6

♠ 10 7 6  
♥ 7 6 5 2  
♦ Q 10 9 6  
♣ A 3

**Deal 34**  
 East Deals  
 N-S Vul

♠ A 8 3  
 ♥ A K 6 4  
 ♦ Q 5 2  
 ♣ Q 8 7

10  
 15 3  
 12

♠ K J 9 6 5  
 ♥ 7 5 2  
 ♦ K 10  
 ♣ K 4 3



♠ Q 7 4 2  
 ♥ 10 9 8 3  
 ♦ J 8 7 6 3  
 ♣ —

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

**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

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

17  
5 6  
12

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



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

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

**Deal 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A Q 10 6

♥ Q 7

♦ 10 9 5

♣ K 9 7 4

14  
11 15  
0

♠ K J 5 4 3 2

♥ A 3 2

♦ K 6

♣ Q J



♠ 7

♥ 10 9 8 6 5

♦ 8 4 3 2

♣ 6 3 2

♠ 9 8

♥ K J 4

♦ A Q J 7

♣ A 10 8 5