

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ T 8 7 6
♥ 7 4
♦ A Q 4 2
♣ Q T 7

13
8 6
13

♠ A 5
♥ K Q 9 8 2
♦ T 9 6
♣ A 6 3

♠ K Q 9 2
♥ A T 6
♦ J 5
♣ K 9 5 4

N
W E
S

♠ J 4 3
♥ J 5 3
♦ K 8 7 3
♣ J 8 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
All Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥

4♥ by South

Baker FSF 1

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♥]

With 14 points you will insist on game, but you aren't strong enough to jump shift. So you bid 1♥. Partner rebids 1♠. What do you bid now? [BID 2♦]

Partner shows nothing extra. All you know now is that he doesn't have 4 ♥s. You know you want to be in game, but you aren't sure which game. If partner has 3 ♥s then 4♥ would be good. If not though, 3NT would be good if he has a ♦ stopper. The way to find out what he has is with Fourth Suit Forcing. So you bid 2♦. Partner answers with 2♥. What do you bid now? [BID 4♥]

Partner tells you he has 3 ♥s. You bid the ♥ game.

Deal 3
South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 4 3
♥ Q 7 6 4
♦ T 8
♣ 8 7 2

10
7 10
13

♠ K 7 2
♥ A J T 9 3
♦ Q 6
♣ 9 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ T 5
♥ K 5
♦ J 9 5 3 2
♣ K Q J 6

♠ Q 9 8 6
♥ 8 2
♦ A K 7 4
♣ A T 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♦
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♠
All Pass			2NT

2NT by South

Baker FSF 2
You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♦]

With 13 points you open 1♦. Partner responds 1♥. What do you bid now? [BID 1♠]

Partner might be 4-4 in the Majors so you bid 1♠. Apparently he wasn't since he says 2♣. What do you bid now? [BID 2NT]

This is Fourth Suit Forcing and partner may or may not have a ♣ suit. You do not have 3 ♥s. You do have a ♣ stopper, so with a minimum hand you bid 2NT and partner passes.

Deal 4

North Deals
None Vul

♠ J T 4
♥ A 7 3
♦ K 8 4 3
♣ J 8 2

13
9 5
13

♠ K Q 9 2
♥ T 6
♦ A J 5
♣ K 9 5 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 6 3
♥ J 5 4
♦ Q 7 2
♣ Q T 7

♠ A 5
♥ K Q 9 8 2
♦ T 9 6
♣ A 6 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♦
All Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT

3NT by South

Baker FSF 3

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♥]

With 14 points you will insist on game, but you aren't strong enough to jump shift. So you bid 1♥. Partner rebids 1♠. What do you bid now? [BID 2♦]

Partner shows nothing extra. All you know now is that he doesn't have 4 ♥s. You know you want to be in game, but you aren't sure which game. If partner has 3 ♥s then 4♥ would be good. If not though, 3NT would be good if he has a ♦ stopper. The way to find out what he has is with Fourth Suit Forcing. So you bid 2♦. Partner answers with 2NT. What do you bid now? [BID 3NT]

Partner does not have 3 ♥s, but he does have ♦s stopped. So you bid 3NT.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T 9 8 3
 ♥ K 9 5
 ♦ 8 6 3
 ♣ J 6

14
 6 7
 13

♠ A K 7 5 2

♥ 8 6 3

♦ A K

♣ 9 8 4

	N		♠ J 4
W		♥ Q 7 4 2	
	E		♦ J 7 2
	S		♣ K T 5 2

♠ 6
 ♥ A J T
 ♦ Q T 9 5 4
 ♣ A Q 7 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♣
All Pass			3NT

3NT by South

Baker FSF 4

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♦]

You open your 5-card suit, 1♦. Partner responds 1♠. What do you bid now? [BID 2♣]

You might bid 1NT, but since you have a singleton you prefer to say 2♣.

Partner bids 2♥. What do you say? [BID 3NT]

This is Fourth Suit Forcing and partner is fishing for more information. You certainly don't have 3 of his ♠s so that is out. On the other hand, you have a double stopper in ♥s, so with 14 points you go right to 3NT.

Deal 6North Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 5 2
♥ 7 3
♦ A T 7 5
♣ Q T 5 3

13
6 7
14

♠ Q 4
♥ A T 8 6 4
♦ 8 3
♣ A K 8 2

N
W E
S

♠ K J T 7
♥ Q J
♦ K Q J 9
♣ J 7 6

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
All Pass	2♣	Pass	3NT

3NT by South

Baker FSF 5

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♠]

You show your 4-card Major. Bid 1♠. Partner rebids 2♣. What do you say next? [BID 3NT]

You have a nice ♦ suit but don't bid it now. That would be FSF and partner would assume you didn't have a ♦ stopper.

With 13 points, bid what you expect to make, 3NT. Partner passes.

Deal 7South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 2
♥ T 7 4
♦ K Q J 6 5
♣ 3 2

14
9 5
12

♠ A K 9 8 5

♥ A 5
♦ 8 7

♣ Q J 9 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 6 4 3
♥ J 9 2
♦ A 9 3 2
♣ 7 5

♠ 7
♥ K Q 8 6 3
♦ T 4
♣ A K T 8 6

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	3 ♣

5 ♣ by North

Baker FSF 6

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 ♥]

You open 1 ♥. As expected, partner responds 1 ♠. What do you bid now? [BID 2 ♣]

This is easy bidding so far. You bid your second 5-card suit, 2 ♣.

Partner says 2 ♦. What do you bid? [BID 3 ♣]

Partner's bid is FSF. He wants to know if you have 3 ♠s, (you don't), or if you can stop ♦s, (you can't). So you have to rebid one of your 5-carders, and you should bid the lower-ranking one. You bid 3 ♣ and partner raises to 5 ♣.

Deal 8

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 5 3 2
♥ 4 2
♦ A 9 5 2
♣ K 4 2

13
7 6
14

♠ 4
♥ A J 8 6 3
♦ Q J T 7
♣ A J 9

N
W E
S

♠ A 9 8
♥ T 9 7 5
♦ 8 3
♣ Q T 7 5

♠ K Q J 7 6
♥ K Q
♦ K 6 4
♣ 8 6 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♣
	3NT	All Pass	

Baker FSF 7

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♠]

You have 15 points and you respond 1♠. Partner rebids 2♦. What do you say next? [BID 3♣]

You would love to play 4♠ if partner has 3 ♠s. Or, you would love partner to play 3NT if he has ♣s stopped.

So you say 3♣ (FSF) to find out if either possibility exists. Partner does have ♣s stopped and bids 3NT.

3NT by North

Deal 9South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 3 2
♥ 9 6 5 3
♦ 7 4 2
♣ Q 2

13
5 8
14

♠ K T 8 5 4

♥ A K T 7

♦ 8 5

♣ K 4

N
W
E
S

♠ A 9 7
♥ 4
♦ Q J 6 3
♣ J T 7 6 3

♠ 6
♥ Q J 8 2
♦ A K T 9
♣ A 9 8 5

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	2 ♣
All Pass			4 ♥

4 ♥ by South

Baker FSF 8

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1 ♦]

With both 4-card minors you open 1 ♦. Partner responds 1 ♠. What do you bid next? [BID 2 ♣]

You cannot bid 2 ♥ since you are not strong enough to reverse, so you bid 2 ♣.

Partner jumps to 3 ♥. What do you bid? [BID 4 ♥]

Since partner jumped this is NOT FSF. Partner has a ♥ suit and a pretty good hand to go with it. You also have a ♥ suit so you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 10North Deals
None Vul

♠ T 6 4

♥ K 9 5 3

♦ J 6 4 2

♣ J T

13
5 9
13♠ A 3
♥ A Q J 7 2
♦ Q T 8 3
♣ 6 4N
W E
S♠ 9 8 7 2
♥ T
♦ 9 5
♣ A K Q 8 3 2♠ K Q J 5
♥ 8 6 4
♦ A K 7
♣ 9 7 5

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
All Pass	2♦	Pass	4♥

4♥ by South

Baker FSF 9

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♠]

You have a totally square 13 points. Still, you don't want to ignore a 4-card ♠ suit so you respond 1♠. Partner rebids 2♦. What do you say next? [BID 4♥]

You COULD bid 3♣, FSF, to find out if partner has a ♣ stopper but that would be pointless. You already know of an 8-card ♥ fit so you say 4♥.

Deal 11South Deals
None Vul

♠ A
♥ J 5
♦ Q 5 4 3 2
♣ J T 8 3 2

13
8
13

♠ K Q J 6 2

♥ 9 6 3

♦ A 6

♣ K 5 4

N
W
E
S

♠ 7 4 3

♥ K 2

♦ K J T 8

♣ A Q 9 6

♠ T 9 8 5

♥ A Q T 8 7 4

♦ 9 7

♣ 7

Baker FSF 10

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♦]

With both 4-card minors you open 1♦. Partner responds 1♠. What do you bid now? [BID 2♣]

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♣
Pass	4♠	Pass	2♠

4♠ by North

You cannot support ♠s with only 3 of them. Instead you bid 2♣. Partner says 2♥. What do you bid now? [BID 2♠]

This is FSF, asking you to further describe your hand, and you have a problem. You do have a ♥ stopper so you COULD bid 2NT. You also have 3 ♠s so you COULD bid 2♠. Either way might turn out best, but that ♥K looks pretty lonesome so you choose 2♠ and partner raises to 4♠.

Deal 12North Deals
None Vul

♠ 4 2
♥ A K J
♦ 8 7 4 3
♣ 9 7 5 4

12
8 7
13

♠ K J 3
♥ Q T 9 7 5
♦ A Q 9 6
♣ 6

N
W E
S

♠ A Q T 8 6
♥ 8 4 2
♦ J 5 2
♣ T 2

♠ 9 7 5
♥ 6 3
♦ K T
♣ A K Q J 8 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
All Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT

3 NT by South

Baker FSF 11

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 2♣]

You respond 2♣. Partner rebids 2♦. What is your next bid? [BID 2♠]

With 13 HCP and that ♣ suit you could jump to 4♣. However, that would sail you right past 3NT which is very likely to turn out your best game. Rather than rebid ♣s, find out whether partner has ♠s stopped by using FSF.

You bid 2♠ and partner then says 2NT. Where do you go from here? [BID 3NT]

It couldn't have worked out better. Notrump played from partner's side. You bid 3NT.

Deal 13South Deals
None Vul

♠ J T 7
♥ 9 6 4 2
♦ T 7 2
♣ A J 5

13
6 7
14

♠ K Q 9 5
♥ K 3
♦ A J 8 6 3
♣ 9 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 2
♥ Q T 8
♦ K Q 5 4
♣ T 8 7 2

♠ A 8 6 3
♥ A J 7 5
♦ 9
♣ K Q 6 4

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♦	Pass	1♣
Pass	1♠	Pass	1♥
Pass	4♣	Pass	2♠

4 ♠ by North

Baker FSF 12

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♣]

There is only one possibility; you open 1♣. Partner responds 1♦. What do you bid now? [BID 1♥]

You rebid "up-the-line", so you now say 1♥. Partner says 1♠. What do you bid? [BID 2♠]

Be careful! This is NOT Fourth Suit Forcing. It is true that you are forced to bid, but the difference is that in this sequence partner has a real ♠ suit. With 4-card support you bid 2♠ and partner raises to 4♠.

Deal 14

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 6 2
♥ A T 8 5
♦ K T 8 5
♣ T 4

13
7 8
12

♠ T 9 4
♥ K Q J 6 2
♦ 6
♣ A K 6 5

N
W E
S

♠ A 7
♥ 9 4
♦ Q J 7 3 2
♣ J 9 7 2

♠ K Q J 5 3
♥ 7 3
♦ A 9 4
♣ Q 8 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♦
All Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠

4♠ by South

Baker FSF 13

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♠]

You have 13 points and you respond 1♠. Partner rebids 2♣. What is your next bid? [BID 2♦]

You have ♦s stopped, and with your 13 points you might well jump to 3NT. And while you may end up at 3NT it can't hurt to find out if partner has 3 ♠s first. So you bid 2♦, FSF.

Partner says 2♠, telling you he has three of them, and you bid 4♠.

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 5 3
♥ T 8 6 5
♦ Q 9 3
♣ Q 7

11
7 8
14

♠ A 7
♥ A Q 7 4 3
♦ T 8 2
♣ J T 5

N
W E
S

♠ 9 4 2
♥ 2
♦ A K J 7 5 4
♣ 9 8 3

♠ K T 8 6
♥ K J 9
♦ 6
♣ A K 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	1♥	Pass	1♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♥	Pass	3♥

4♥ by North

enough to say 4♥.

Baker FSF 14

You are the dealer. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 1♣]

You have 15 points and you open 1♣. Partner responds 1♥. What do you bid now? [BID 1♠]

Show your 4-card Major, bid 1♠. Partner says 2♦. What do you bid now? [BID 3♥]

This is FSF, asking you to further describe your hand. Since you have 3 ♥s you will naturally let partner know that. But, your hand is so good you should jump to 3♥. Remember that partner may be bidding with only 12 points.

He was pretty weak, but with your jump finds