

Deal 1North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J
♥ 3
♦ J 6 5 4 2
♣ J 10 8 4 2

16
5 7
12

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K 9 2
♥ A K Q 7 4
♦ 7
♣ A 9 6 3

♠ 10 8 6 4 3
♥ 10 2
♦ Q 10 8
♣ K Q 5

♠ A 7 5
♥ J 9 8 6 5
♦ A K 9 3
♣ 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass

Pass
6 ♥ by North

It is your bid.

Partner's Splinter Bid in ♣s has really made your hand look good. With no losers in trumps or ♣s you need to find out about the other two suits. So you invoke Blackwood and partner replies 5 ♥. What do you bid next?

If partner can take care of your three ♣ losers you will have just one ♠ loser at most. So you bid 6 ♥. Maybe you should have bid 7 ♥.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A K 8 7 4
 ♥ 6
 ♦ K J 6 2
 ♣ Q J 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 3
 ♥ A J 9 8 5 4
 ♦ 10 9 8 7 5
 ♣ 4

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

4 ♠ by South

It is your bid.

Following your Jacoby 2 NT response, partner bids 3 ♥, showing a singleton. What is your next bid?

Your ♥ holding hasn't been enhanced by partner's singleton. You feel like just signing off at 4 ♠ but since you can show the ♦ control below that level you bid 4 ♦. It didn't matter since partner now signs off at 4 ♠.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J
♥ A Q 8 6 4 3
♦ K Q
♣ K J 5

♠ 9 8 6 4 2**♥** 10**♦** 10 9 8 5 2**♣** A 2**18**
4 **4**
14

♠ 10 7 5
♥ 7 2
♦ A 7 6 4
♣ 9 6 4 3

♠ A K 3
♥ K J 9 5
♦ J 3
♣ Q 10 8 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	5 ♥		

5 ♥ by North

It is your bid.

You have a great hand, but no singleton to show. Since you have a 6-card ♥ suit you bid 3 ♥. Partner replies 3 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner has control-bid the ♠ A. He may also have one or both of the Minor Aces since he would have bid the cheapest control first. You use Blackwood. He replies 5 ♦. What do you bid?

Oops. Despite all the points you are missing two Aces. So you thank Mr. Blackwood and sign off at 5 ♥.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

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

W	N	E	S
♦ 4	♦ Q J 10 9 8 3 2	♦ 6 5	♣ J 10 5
♣ A Q 8 5 3			
♦ 5			
♦ A J 10 7 2			
♣ 6 3			

18	♠ A Q 8 5 3
7 4	♦ 5
11	♦ A J 10 7 2
	♣ 6 3

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	4 ♦
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass

Pass
6 ♠ by South

It is your bid.

You don't want to make a Splinter Bid with a singleton King so you content yourself with a Jacoby 2 NT bid. Partner rebids 4 ♦. What do you say next?

The 4 ♦ bid shows a 5-card ♦ suit. What you need to know now is how many Aces partner has. You bid 4 NT and he answers 5 ♥. What do you say?

He has two Aces so you bid 6 ♠.