

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ T 7 2
♥ T 9 7 2
♦ K T 9 5 3
♣ 7

♠ A J 9 6 3

♥ A 4

♦ A Q J 6

♣ K 5

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♠ 4
♥ K Q 8 5
♦ 4 2
♣ T 9 8 6 3 2

♠ K Q 8 5
♥ J 6 3
♦ 8 7
♣ A Q J 4

West	North	East	South
			1♣
Pass	2♠	Pass	3♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♠
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♣
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

6 ♠ by North

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When SOUTH gives immediate support, NORTH's thoughts naturally

turn to slam. This is a good hand to use Blackwood on, so NORTH bids 4NT.

SOUTH's 5

answer shows one Ace, which NORTH cleverly deduces

must be the A.

NORTH bids 6 since SOUTH has not bid strongly enough to think about 7.

Board 2

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q J
♥ A K T
♦ K Q 2
♣ K Q 7 3

♠ T 9 8 7 3

♥ 5 3 2

♦ T 7

♣ A J 2



♠ A 6 4
♥ Q J 9 8 7 4
♦ J 9 8 3
♣ -

♠ 5 2
♥ 6
♦ A 6 5 4
♣ T 9 8 6 5 4

West	North	East	South
2♣	Pass	2♥	Pass
3♥	Pass	3♠	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♣	Pass
6♥	All Pass		

6♥ by West

, knowing they must lose the

A.

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WEST expects to bid 2NT at his second turn, but
EAST gives a positive 2

response and his thinking changes! First he supports

s, setting the

trump suit.

EAST then bids 3 showing first round control.

WEST tries 4NT (Blackwood) and

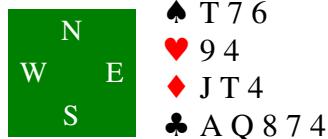
EAST replies 6 This shows a void and one Ace,
obviously the A.

WEST bids 6

Board 3South Deals
E-W Vul

♠ Q J 9 3
 ♥ 2
 ♦ Q 5 2
 ♣ K T 5 3 2

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



♠ K 5
 ♥ A K T 7 5 3
 ♦ K 7
 ♣ J 9 6

West	North	East	South
Pass	4♣	Pass	1♥
Pass	5NT	Pass	4NT
All Pass			7♥

7♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 9

NORTH's jump to 4 is a Splinter bid, at least 4-card

support,

at least opening hand, and a Singleton or Void.

SOUTH bids 4NT, Blackwood.

NORTH's 5NT reply shows two Aces and a Void somewhere, obviously s.

SOUTH counts thirteen tricks and bids 7

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Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 5 3

♥ K Q J T 3

♦ A

♣ K Q T 6

♠ T 7 6 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q J 5 3

♣ A 4



♠ -

♥ A 9 7 5

♦ K 9 8 6 4

♣ J 9 3 2

♠ A Q J 9 8 4

♥ 6

♦ T 7 2

♣ 8 7 5

West	North	East	South
1♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
4NT	Pass	6♥	All Pass

6♥ by East

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WEST figures that if EAST holds two Aces he will bid the slam.

EAST only has one Ace, but she has something else just as good - a void in a suit which

is higher-ranking than

s.

WEST manages to figure out that EAST has a void and bids the slam anyway.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q
♥ T 6
♦ T 9 4 3 2
♣ A Q T 9 8

♠ A 9 8 6 4

♥ A K Q

♦ 7

♣ K J 6 3



♠ J T 2
♥ 9 5 4 3 2
♦ K Q J
♣ 5 2

♠ K 7 5 3
♥ J 8 7
♦ A 8 6 5
♣ 7 4

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

4 ♠ by North

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NORTH may have a good hand but SOUTH merely gave a simple raise.

Even if SOUTH has a maximum there won't be a slam.

Board 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 7 5 3
 ♥ T 9 4 2
 ♦ A 8
 ♣ K J 4

♠ K J 8 4 2

♥ 5

♦ Q 6 5 4

♣ 9 8 7

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♠ -
 ♥ K Q J 8 6 3
 ♦ K J 2
 ♣ A Q 6 5

♠ A T 9 6
 ♥ A 7
 ♦ T 9 7 3
 ♣ T 3 2

West	North	East	South
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♦	Pass	6♥	All Pass

6♥ by East

Baker Bidpractice/Set 7 12
 EAST has a tough decision after the two
 Control-showing bids.

If he uses Blackwood and WEST shows two Aces he
 will be no better off, because he won't know if one

of the Aces is the useless ABased on knowing that
 WEST holds the

A,

he bids 6

, hoping that he can at least make that and that 7 isn't
 a laydown!