

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 9 3
♥ A 10 8 5
♦ Q 6
♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 5
♥ 6 2
♦ 8 7 2
♣ J 9 8 5 4



♠ A J 4 2
♥ 9 4 3
♦ A K J 9 5 4
♣ —

16
1 13
10

♠ 7 6
♥ K Q J 7
♦ 10 3
♣ A 10 7 3 2

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

Partner's direct cue-bid is the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, but with no ♦ stopper.

With 4 cards in both Majors you bid 3 ♥.

Partner then bids 4 ♥ which you pass.

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ A 8 4
♥ A Q J
♦ K J 3
♣ Q 7 6 3

♠ Q 10
♥ K 10 9 7 4
♦ 10 6 2
♣ 10 5 2



♠ K J 9 7 5 3
♥ 6 2
♦ A
♣ A J 9 8

♠ 6 2
♥ 8 5 3
♦ Q 9 8 7 5 4
♣ K 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 NT	2 ♠	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 ♦ by South			

With your hand you'd like to sign off in 3 ♦. But you cannot actually bid 3 ♦ because that would show a forcing-to-game hand. So you bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner makes the relay bid of 3 ♣. What do you say?

NOW you can bid 3 ♦, which partner passes.

Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 6 4 3
♥ A 10 3
♦ A 2
♣ A 5

♠ 5
♥ Q J 9 7 4 2
♦ 9 4 3
♣ J 7 4

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W E
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♠ K Q 2
♥ 8
♦ K 8 7 5
♣ 10 9 8 3 2

4
13 8
15

♠ A 8 7
♥ K 6 5
♦ Q J 10 6
♣ K Q 6

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 ♠	2 NT	Pass	1 NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♣
Pass			Pass
3 ♥ by North			

Partner's 2 NT bid is lebensohl, asking you to bid 3 ♣. You bid 3 ♣. Partner says 3 ♥.

What do you say now?

How about . . . pass? Partner just signed off with this sequence. He couldn't bid 3 ♥ directly, that would have been a game-force.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

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

12
 10 2
 16

West

2 ♠

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ 8 4
 ♥ 9 8 5 3
 ♦ K Q J 4
 ♣ A Q 7

N
 W E
 S

♠ 7 5 2
 ♥ A K Q 6
 ♦ A 3
 ♣ K 10 8 3

North

3 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

♠ J 6
 ♥ 10 7 4
 ♦ 7 6 5 2
 ♣ J 9 6 2

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. So you cue-bid 3 ♠. This is the lebensohl version of Stayman, but WITH NO ♠ STOPPER. (Direct Denies)

Partner says 4 ♥ and you pass.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 6 4

♥ 7 3

♦ 9 5 4 2

♣ J 6 2

17

3 10

10

West

Pass

Pass

3 NT by North

♠ A 9 7

♥ A J 10

♦ K 10 6

♣ K Q 9 4

♠ K 10 5

♥ 5 2

♦ A Q J 7 3

♣ 8 7 5

North

1 NT

3 NT

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♦

Pass



♠ J 3 2

♥ K Q 9 8 6 4

♦ 8

♣ A 10 3

Partner has promised at least a 5-card ♦ suit, and game-forcing strength. With your great ♥ stoppers you bid 3 NT.