

Deal 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 6 4
 ♥ 10 8 2
 ♦ Q 9 2
 ♣ Q 5 3

15
 10 9
 6

♠ 9 7 5

♥ A 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A K 8 2



♠ K J 10 2

♥ K 3

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ J 10 7

♠ 8 3

♥ Q J 9 7 6 4

♦ K 7

♣ 9 6 4

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 NT

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 ♣]

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♥.

In reply to partner's August 2 NT you say 3 ♣, showing a minimum hand along with a poor suit. Partner says 3 ♥ and you gratefully pass.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ K J 6 4
♥ Q J 2
♦ Q 9 2
♣ Q 5 3

6
11 8
15

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

3 ♥ by North

♠ 8 3
♥ K 10 9 7 6 4
♦ K 7
♣ 9 6 4

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W E
S

♠ A 7 5
♥ 8 5
♦ A 10 6 4
♣ A K 8 2

♠ Q 10 9 2
♥ A 3
♦ J 8 5 3
♣ J 10 7

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

With four top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♥.

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♣. What do you bid next? [BID 3 ♥]

Partner's 3 ♣ bid shows a weak hand and a poor suit. So you reluctantly settle for 3 ♥.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 6 3

♥ Q 10 3

♦ Q 9

♣ J 7 4 3

16

9 10

5

♠ J 2

♥ A 6 2

♦ A 8 5 3

♣ A K 8 6



♠ K Q 10 8 5 4

♥ 8 5

♦ 7 6 4

♣ 9 2

♠ 9

♥ K J 9 7 4

♦ K J 10 2

♣ Q 10 5

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 NT

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

3 ♦

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 ♦]

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♠.

In reply to partner's August 2 NT you say 3 ♦, showing a minimum hand along with a good suit. Partner says 3 ♠ and you pass.

Deal 4

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 4
♥ J 9 6 4 2
♦ K 3 2
♣ K 7 6

8
7 10
15

♠ Q J 8 7 5 3
♥ K Q 3
♦ 9 7
♣ 10 4



♠ K 6
♥ A 8 5
♦ A 10 6 4
♣ A 9 8 2

♠ A 9 2
♥ 10 7
♦ Q J 8 5
♣ Q J 5 3

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by North			

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

With three top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♠.

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♥. What do you bid next? [BID 4 ♠]

Partner's 3 ♥ bid shows a maximum hand and a poor suit. Your ♠ K should be enough help for the suit, and with three outside Aces you bid 4 ♠.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 6 3

♥ 10 8 3

♦ Q 7

♣ J 9 3 2

16
7 9
8

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ J 2

♥ A 6 2

♦ A 8 5 3

♣ A K 8 6



♠ K 10 9 8 5 4

♥ K Q

♦ 9 6 4

♣ 7 5

North

2 NT

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♠

3 ♥

Pass

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 ♥]

Having opened 2 ♠, you reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT bid with 3 ♥, showing a maximum hand but with a poor suit. Partner says 4 ♠ and you pass.

Deal 6

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 6 2
♥ 8 4
♦ A Q 9 8 7 3
♣ 7 4

♠ J 7 4
♥ J 10 6
♦ J 10
♣ K Q J 10 3



♠ K Q 8 5
♥ K Q 9 3 2
♦ 2
♣ 9 6 5

6
9 10
15

♠ A 9 3
♥ A 7 5
♦ K 6 5 4
♣ A 8 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3♦	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 NT by South			

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

You could just guess between pass, 3 NT, or 5♦.

But you use Ogust instead. Partner responds 3♦. What do you bid next? [BID 3 NT]

Partner's 3♦ bid shows a minimum hand but a good suit, which should mean two of the top three honors. Your ♦ K tells you that partner has a 6-card ♦ suit headed by the A Q. With three outside Aces you can count 9 tricks - you bid 3 NT.

Deal 7

South Deals
None Vul

♠ K J 9 4
♥ A 6 3
♦ J 2
♣ A K 7 6

♠ Q 7 5
♥ K J 9 8 7
♦ 7 5 3
♣ 10 5



♠ A 10 6 2
♥ Q 5 4
♦ 9 8
♣ Q J 3 2

16
6 9
9

♠ 8 3
♥ 10 2
♦ A K Q 10 6 4
♣ 9 8 4

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

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 NT]

Having opened 2 ♦, you reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT bid with 3 NT, showing a ♦ suit headed by A K Q. Partner passes.

Deal 8

West Deals
None Vul

♠ K 7 5
♥ J 9
♦ 9 8 3 2
♣ K 10 5 3

9
7 9
15

West
Pass
Pass
Pass
4 ♥ by North

♠ 2
♥ A K Q 10 8 3
♦ 7 6 5
♣ 9 6 4



♠ Q 10 3
♥ 7 5
♦ A K Q 4
♣ A 8 7 2

North
2 ♥
3 NT
Pass

East
Pass
Pass
Pass

South
2 NT
4 ♥

♠ A J 9 8 6 4
♥ 6 4 2
♦ J 10
♣ Q J

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

This is a perfect hand for Ogust - when you're not sure what to do! So you bid 2 NT. Partner responds 3 NT. What do you bid next? [BID 4 ♥]

Partner's 3 NT bid describes his hand exactly; ♥ A K Q x x x and nothing else. You MIGHT have a ♠ stopper, but they might be arranged so the defenders could take the first 5 ♠ tricks. So you bid the "safe" 4 ♥ game which depends only on a 3-2 trump split.

Deal 9

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ K 5

♦ A 9 7 4

♣ A 8 6

♠ J 9 4

♥ J 8 3 2

♦ K 3 2

♣ K 10 5



♠ Q 10 5 2

♥ 10

♦ Q J 10 6

♣ Q J 4 2

♠ K 3

♥ A Q 9 7 6 4

♦ 8 5

♣ 9 7 3

15
8 8
9

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 NT

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

The bidding has gone as shown. Decide what you would say, then click on BID above. [BID 3 ♠]

After opening 2 ♥ you reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT with 3 ♠, showing a maximum hand along with a good suit. Partner bids 4 ♥ and you pass.

Deal 10

West Deals
None Vul

♠ J 5 2
♥ A Q 10 2
♦ 10 3
♣ J 9 5 3

9
8 7
16

West
Pass
Pass
Pass
6 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 9 8 7 4
♥ 8 7 3
♦ 7 5
♣ K 4



♠ K 10 3
♥ 5
♦ A K Q 9 4
♣ A 8 7 2

North

2 ♠

3 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

6 ♠

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

Before you read this lesson you might have just jumped to a Blackwood 4 NT. But now you bid an Ogust 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♠. What do you bid next? [BID 6 ♠]

Wow! Partner has a maximum Weak 2-bid and a good trump suit, no doubt headed by the A Q. If he also has the ♥ A you might be cold for 7 ♠. Bid Blackwood if you must, but you don't really need to since partner could not possibly have The ♥ A AND ♠ A Q x x x. Too many points for a Weak 2-bid. So you bid 6 ♠.