

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 4 2
♥ T 8 6 5
♦ A 7 3 2
♣ Q 7 4

♠ A Q J T 8 5

♥ K 4

♦ 8 4

♣ A T 3



♠ 6
♥ A Q 9 3 2
♦ J T 9
♣ 9 6 5 2

♠ K 9 7 3

♥ J 7

♦ K Q 6 5

♣ K J 8

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2NT

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by South

Baker Jacoby 5
It is your bid.

You show an above minimum hand with 6 trumps by bidding 3 ♠. Partner bids 4 ♠. What do you say next?

Partner would have shown a red Ace if he had one. Since he doesn't have one, all thoughts of slam are off. You pass.

Board 2

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 8 7
♥ J
♦ 8 6 5 4 2
♣ K J 4 3

♠ K 3
♥ K Q 8 6
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 9 7 5

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♠ A 6 5
♥ A T 7 5 4
♦ A 7
♣ 8 6 2

♠ Q T 9 4 2
♥ 9 3 2
♦ T 9
♣ A Q T

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	4 ♥
All Pass			

4 ♥ by South

Baker Jacoby 6
It is your bid.

With 15 points and four of partner's suit you naturally bid 2NT. Partner now jumps to 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner's rebid of 4 ♥ is not strong. He is using the Principle of Fast Arrival to indicate a minimum opening hand. Since you have nothing extra you pass quietly.

Board 3

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A T 9 8 5 2

♥ 8 3

♦ 3

♣ A 9 8 4

♠ 7 3

♥ K Q 9 7 2

♦ A K J 9 8

♣ 5



♠ K 6 4

♥ 5 4

♦ T 7 6 4

♣ Q T 6 2

♠ Q J

♥ A J T 6

♦ Q 5 2

♣ K J 7 3

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

Pass

2NT

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

4 ♥

All Pass

4 ♥ by South

Baker Jacoby 7
It is your bid.

Although you could show your singleton ♣ now it is usually more informative to show a second 5-card suit. So you say 4 ♦. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner signed off, showing a minimum, so you have nothing further to say.

Board 4

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 8 7 6 5 4 2

♥ 7 4

♦ 5 4

♣ A Q

♠ K J

♥ K Q 8 6

♦ K J T 3

♣ 9 7 5



♠ 9

♥ 2

♦ A Q 9 8 7 2

♣ J T 6 4 3

♠ A Q 3

♥ A J T 9 5 3

♦ 6

♣ K 8 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

Pass

1♥

Pass

4♥

All Pass

3♦

4♥ by North

Baker Jacoby 8
It is your bid.

Opening hand with 4-card trump support. You bid 2NT. Partner rebids 3♦. What do you say?

The news that partner has a singleton ♦ does NOT excite you. In fact it causes your hand to devalue a lot. So you use the Principle of Fast Arrival and bid 4♥.