

**Deal 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 10 4  
 ♥ Q 4 2  
 ♦ A 9 3  
 ♣ 9 7 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A K 9 6 5 2  
 ♥ 10 9 8 3  
 ♦ 4  
 ♣ A 8

♠ 8 3  
 ♥ J 6  
 ♦ Q J 10 8 5  
 ♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7  
 ♥ A K 7 5  
 ♦ K 7 6 2  
 ♣ K Q 10 6

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			

4 ♥ by North

response the fit would have been lost if North had not mentioned the suit. South now confirms the trump suit with a 3 ♥ bid, and North shows his minimum by just bidding the game.

North has 13 points and naturally opens 1 ♠.

South, with 15 points, would bid 2 ♥ in standard bidding, but with 2/1 this promises a 5-card suit. So instead, South responds 2 ♣, forcing the partnership to game. Note that holding two 4-card minors South bids them up-the-line, just as in standard bidding.

North has a nice 6-card ♠ suit, so you might think he would rebid them. But Opener's first responsibility with his second bid is to show a 4-card Major if he has one. This isn't much of a suit, but North still bids 2 ♥.

You can see why it is important for Opener to show a 4-card Major. Since South couldn't bid ♥s in her first

**Deal 2**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 9 2	♦ Q 3
♥ A Q 9 8 3	♦ J 10 5
♦ 8 5	♦ 6 4 2
♣ 8 6	♣ Q J 10 3 2

6	♠ J 10 6 4
13 13	♥ 7 6 2
8	♦ K 9 3
	♣ A 5 4

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



West opens 1 ♥, his 5-card Major. East, with 14 points, naturally responds 2 ♦, forcing the partnership to game.

West next bids 2 ♠, showing the other Major suit. In standard bidding West would not be able to bid the ♠s since that would be a Reverse and West is far too weak to Reverse. But after a 2/1 Response the concept of a Reverse does not apply, and the priority of showing a 4-card Major certainly does apply.

East assumes West to be 4-5 in the Majors, so she cannot support either. She bids 2 NT. If West actually has 6 ♥s (or 5 ♠s) he will rebid the suit. East's 2 NT bid guarantees a stopper in the fourth suit.

West does not have either 6 ♥s or 5 ♠s so he just bids 3 NT. Notice that West never once considered the possibility of passing what might be a misfit - the initial 2/1 response unconditionally forced the partnership to reach a game somewhere.

Deal 3

South Deals  
None Vul

**♠ Q 3  
♥ K Q 4  
♦ J 10 4 2  
♣ 10 9 4 3**

**♦ K9 / 4 -**  
**♥ A9 8 3**  
**♦ K6**  
**♣ Q7**

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

♠ J 10 6 5  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ A Q 8 3  
♣ 8 5

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

*South*  
1 ♠

2 ♥  
3 NT

South opens 1♠, his 5-card Major. North, with 14 points, responds 2♣, a 2/1 force to game.

South next bids 2♥, showing the other Major suit.

North assumes South to be 5-4 in the Majors, so she cannot support either. She cannot bid 2 NT without a stopper in ♠. So North bids the fourth suit, 3♦, telling South she knows she must make a bid, but can't find anything appropriate.

South now must find a bid. His choices include rebidding the 5-card ♠s, supporting North's ♣s with a doubleton Queen, or bidding 3 NT with the ♦ K 6 as a stopper. He chooses this last option. It appears that 3 NT is the best game for these two hands.

**Deal 4**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 4  
 ♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3  
 ♦ K Q  
 ♣ 8 7

3  
 13 17  
 7

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

West	North	East	South
2 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
4 NT	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
6 ♥	ALL	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♥ by West			

East opens 1 ♠, her 5-card Major and West responds 2 ♥. East knows this is a 5-card suit, and bids 3 ♥, confirming the 8+card trump fit.

Once the trump fit is known, West revalues his hand to about 19 points. He makes a slam try with a control-showing bid of 3 ♠. He knows East won't take this as ♠ support since the partnership has agreed that ♥s are going to be trumps.

East now shows her control by bidding 4 ♣.

That was what West needed to hear; when Blackwood uncovers two Aces he bids 6 ♥.

The slam is a good one. If either the ♠ Q or ♣ K is right there are 12 tricks by way of a finesse. But the best way to play the hand would be to try to establish a ♠ in the East hand, and if that fails try the ♣ finesse.

**Deal 5**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2

$$\begin{matrix} & 17 \\ 6 & 3 \\ & 14 \end{matrix}$$

♠ A J 10

♥ A K 9 8 5

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7



♠ 9 7 4  
♥ Q J 10 4  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ 9 8 6

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 NT	Pass	6 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 NT by North			

North opens 1 ♥ and South responds 2 ♣. Using standard bidding North would now jump to 3 NT to show his 19 points, but in 2/1 this is not necessary since the partnership must not stop bidding until game is reached. So North just bids 2 NT. South shows her minimum by bidding 3 NT.

North will now disclose his extra strength. He bids 4 NT. This is not Blackwood, but rather a quantitative raise in Notrump, and an invitation to slam.

South has 15 points, and they are good ones. She accepts the invitation and bids 6 NT.

There are 11 top tricks. A 3-3 ♥ split would provide the 12th winner, but this is against the odds. Better to try two ♠ finesses, a 75% chance.

**Deal 6**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 3  
♦ A K J 9 4  
♣ 9 6 4

8  
12 15  
5

West  
2 ♦  
4 ♣  
4 ♠ by East

♠ K 10  
♥ J 9 5 2  
♦ 10 7 2  
♣ A 5 3 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ A J 8 7 5 2  
♥ A K  
♦ Q 6  
♣ J 8 7

♠ 9 4  
♥ 10 8 7 6 4  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ K Q 10

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

East opens 1 ♠ and West responds 2 ♦. East has a pretty good hand, 17 points, but no stopping power in the minor suits. Also, East's ♠ suit is pretty ragged. Taking these points into consideration, East should just rebid his 6-card suit.

West should now jump to 4 ♠. This is Fast Arrival, indicating a minimum hand with no particular interest in slam.

East is happy to rest in the game contract.

Even with a combined 30 points, T tricks are certainly not a sure thing. East must hope that North holds the trump King.

**Deal 7**      ♠ A K 9 6 5 2

South Deals      ♥ 10 9 8 3

Both Vul      ♦ 4

♣ A 8

♠ Q J 10 4

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A 9 3

♣ 9 7 5

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 3

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 5

♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7

♥ A K 7 5

♦ K 7 6 2

♣ K Q 10 6

11  
9     5  
15

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♦ 6 4 2

♣ Q J 10 3 2

♠ A K 9 2

♥ A Q 9 8 3

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 6

N  
W S E

♠ 8 7 5

♥ K 4

♦ A Q J 10 7

♣ K 9 7

♠ J 10 6 4

♥ 7 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 5 4

6  
13 13  
8

**Deal 9**

North Deals    ♠ K 8  
E-W Vul      ♥ J 10 7  
                ♦ 9 7 5  
                ♣ A K J 6 2  
  
♠ Q 3                 ♠ J 10 6 5  
♥ K Q 4              ♥ 6 5 2  
♦ J 10 4 2           ♦ A Q 8 3  
♣ 10 9 4 3           ♣ 8 5

N  
W   E  
S

**12**  
8   7  
**13**  
      ♠ A 9 7 4 2  
      ♥ A 9 8 3  
      ♦ K 6  
      ♣ Q 7

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 8

♥ 4

♦ J 9 6 3 2

♣ 10 9 6 5 2

♠ A 4

♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7



♠ K J 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ 8 4

♣ A Q J

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ 9 2

♦ A 10 7 5

♣ K 4 3

3  
13 17  
7

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

♦ A J 10

♥ A K 9 8 5

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2



♠ 9 7 4

♥ Q J 10 4

♦ 10 7 5

♣ 9 8 6

♠ 8 6 3

♥ 7 3

♦ A Q 4

♣ A K J 10 4

<sup>17</sup>  
6 3  
<sub>14</sub>

**Deal 12**

West Deals  
N-S Vul  
  
♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 3  
♦ A K J 9 4  
♣ 9 6 4



♠ K 10  
♥ J 9 5 2  
♦ 10 7 2  
♣ A 5 3 2  
  
♠ A J 8 7 5 2  
♥ A K  
♦ Q 6  
♣ J 8 7  
  
♠ 9 4  
♥ 10 8 7 6 4  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ K Q 10

8  
12 15  
5

**Deal 13**      ♠ A K 9 6 5 2

North Deals      ♥ 10 9 8 3

Both Vul      ♦ 4

♣ A 8

♠ Q J 10 4

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A 9 3

♣ 9 7 5

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 3

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 5

♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7

♥ A K 7 5

♦ K 7 6 2

♣ K Q 10 6

11  
9     5  
15

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 3

♥ J 10 5

♦ 6 4 2

♣ Q J 10 3 2

♠ A K 9 2

♥ A Q 9 8 3

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 6

N  
W S E

♠ 8 7 5

♥ K 4

♦ A Q J 10 7

♣ K 9 7

♠ J 10 6 4

♥ 7 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 5 4

6  
13 13  
8

**Deal 15**

South Deals	♠ K 8
N-S Vul	♥ J 10 7
	♦ 9 7 5
	♣ A K J 6 2
♠ Q 3	♠ J 10 6 5
♥ K Q 4	♥ 6 5 2
♦ J 10 4 2	♦ A Q 8 3
♣ 10 9 4 3	♣ 8 5
<b>12</b> <b>8 7</b> <b>13</b>	♠ A 9 7 4 2 ♥ A 9 8 3 ♦ K 6 ♣ Q 7



**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 8

♥ 4

♦ J 9 6 3 2

♣ 10 9 6 5 2

♠ A 4

♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7



♠ K J 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ 8 4

♣ A Q J

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ 9 2

♦ A 10 7 5

♣ K 4 3

3  
13 17  
7

**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

♦ A J 10

♥ A K 9 8 5

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2



♠ 9 7 4

♥ Q J 10 4

♦ 10 7 5

♣ 9 8 6

♠ 8 6 3

♥ 7 3

♦ A Q 4

♣ A K J 10 4

**17**  
**6 3**  
**14**

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10

♥ J 9 5 2

♦ 10 7 2

♣ A 5 3 2

♠ Q 6 3

♥ Q 3

♦ A K J 9 4

♣ 9 6 4

N  
W E  
S

♠ A J 8 7 5 2

♥ A K

♦ Q 6

♣ J 8 7

8  
12 15  
5♠ 9 4  
♥ 10 8 7 6 4  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ K Q 10

**Deal 19**      ♠ A K 9 6 5 2

South Deals      ♥ 10 9 8 3

E-W Vul      ♦ 4

♣ A 8

♠ Q J 10 4

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A 9 3

♣ 9 7 5

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 3

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 5

♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7

♥ A K 7 5

♦ K 7 6 2

♣ K Q 10 6

**11**  
**9 5**  
**15**

**Deal 20**

West Deals

Both Vul

♦ 6 4 2

♣ Q J 10 3 2

♠ A K 9 2

♥ A Q 9 8 3

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 6

N  
W S E

♠ 8 7 5

♥ K 4

♦ A Q J 10 7

♣ K 9 7

♠ J 10 6 4

♥ 7 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 5 4

6  
13 13  
8

**Deal 21**

North Deals      ♠ K 8  
N-S Vul      ♥ J 10 7  
♦ 9 7 5  
♣ A K J 6 2  
♠ Q 3  
♥ K Q 4  
♦ J 10 4 2  
♣ 10 9 4 3

12  
8 7  
13



♠ J 10 6 5  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ A Q 8 3  
♣ 8 5

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

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 8

♥ 4

♦ J 9 6 3 2

♣ 10 9 6 5 2

♠ A 4

♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7



♠ K J 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ 8 4

♣ A Q J

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ 9 2

♦ A 10 7 5

♣ K 4 3

**3**  
**13**    **17**  
7

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ 9 7 4  
♥ Q J 10 4  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ 9 8 6

♠ 8 6 3

♥ 7 3

♦ A Q 4

♣ A K J 10 4

<sup>17</sup>  
**6 3**  
**14**

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10  
♥ J 9 5 2  
♦ 10 7 2  
♣ A 5 3 2

♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 3  
♦ A K J 9 4  
♣ 9 6 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J 8 7 5 2  
♥ A K  
♦ Q 6  
♣ J 8 7

8  
**12    15**  
5

♠ 9 4  
♥ 10 8 7 6 4  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ K Q 10

**Deal 25**      ♠ A K 9 6 5 2

North Deals      ♥ 10 9 8 3

E-W Vul      ♦ 4

♣ A 8

♠ Q J 10 4

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A 9 3

♣ 9 7 5

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 3

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 5

♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7

♥ A K 7 5

♦ K 7 6 2

♣ K Q 10 6

**11**  
**9 5**  
**15**

**Deal 26**

East Deals

Both Vul

♦ Q J 10 3 2

♠ A K 9 2

♥ A Q 9 8 3

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 6

6  
13 13  
8

♠ Q 3

♥ J 10 5

♦ 6 4 2

♠ 8 7 5  
♥ K 4  
♦ A Q J 10 7  
♣ K 9 7N  
W E  
S

♠ J 10 6 4

♥ 7 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 5 4

**Deal 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 8  
♥ J 10 7  
♦ 9 7 5  
♣ A K J 6 2

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

N  
W E  
S

♠ J 10 6 5  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ A Q 8 3  
♣ 8 5

12  
8 7  
13

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

**Deal 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 8

♥ 4

♦ J 9 6 3 2

♣ 10 9 6 5 2

♠ A 4

♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7



♠ K J 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ 8 4

♣ A Q J

♠ 10 9 5 2

♥ 9 2

♦ A 10 7 5

♣ K 4 3

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ 9 7 4  
♥ Q J 10 4  
♦ 10 7 5  
♣ 9 8 6

♠ 8 6 3

♥ 7 3

♦ A Q 4

♣ A K J 10 4

<sup>17</sup>  
**6 3**  
**14**

**Deal 30**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 3  
♦ A K J 9 4  
♣ 9 6 4

8  
**12**   **15**  
5

♠ K 10  
♥ J 9 5 2  
♦ 10 7 2  
♣ A 5 3 2

N  
W   E  
S

♠ A J 8 7 5 2  
♥ A K  
♦ Q 6  
♣ J 8 7

♠ 9 4  
♥ 10 8 7 6 4  
♦ 8 5 3  
♣ K Q 10

**Deal 31**      ♠ A K 9 6 5 2

South Deals      ♥ 10 9 8 3

N-S Vul      ♦ 4

♣ A 8

♠ Q J 10 4

♥ Q 4 2

♦ A 9 3

♣ 9 7 5

N  
W   E  
S

♠ 8 3

♥ J 6

♦ Q J 10 8 5

♣ J 4 3 2

♠ 7

♥ A K 7 5

♦ K 7 6 2

♣ K Q 10 6

11  
9   5  
15

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♦ 6 4 2

♣ Q J 10 3 2

♠ A K 9 2

♥ A Q 9 8 3

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 6

W N  
S E

♠ 8 7 5

♥ K 4

♦ A Q J 10 7

♣ K 9 7

♠ J 10 6 4

♥ 7 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 5 4

6  
13 13  
8

**Deal 33**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ K 8  
♥ J 10 7  
♦ 9 7 5  
♣ A K J 6 2

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



♠ J 10 6 5  
♥ 6 5 2  
♦ A Q 8 3  
♣ 8 5

12  
8 7  
13

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

**Deal 34**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 4  
♥ K J 10 8 6 5 3  
♦ K Q  
♣ 8 7

**3**  
**13**    **17**  
7

♠ Q 8  
♥ 4  
♦ J 9 6 3 2  
♣ 10 9 6 5 2

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

♠ 10 9 5 2  
♥ 9 2  
♦ A 10 7 5  
♣ K 4 3



**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A J 10

♥ A K 9 8 5

♦ K 9 6

♣ Q 7

♠ K Q 5 2

♥ 6 2

♦ J 8 3 2

♣ 5 3 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ 9 7 4

♥ Q J 10 4

♦ 10 7 5

♣ 9 8 6

♠ 8 6 3

♥ 7 3

♦ A Q 4

♣ A K J 10 4

<sup>17</sup>  
**6 3**  
**14**

**Deal 36**

West Deals  
Both Vul  
  
♠ Q 6 3  
♥ Q 3  
♦ A K J 9 4  
♣ 9 6 4

8  
12 15  
5

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