

Deal 1	♠ 7 6		
South Deals	♥ K J 9 8 6 5		
None Vul	♦ 8 6		
	♣ K J 10		
♠ A Q 10 8 4 2	♠ K 5 3		
♥ 4 2	♥ Q 10		
♦ K J 10	♦ 7 4 3 2		
♣ 7 6	♣ Q 5 4 2		
	♠ J 9		
8	♥ A 7 3		
10 7	♦ A Q 9 5		
15	♣ A 9 8 3		
West	North	East	South
			1 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by North			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Since partner opened 1 NT he has at least 2 ♥s and you are assured of an 8-card fit. The only question is how high. With 10 points you are in the judgement zone.

But unless you play Jacoby Transfers there isn't a method for inviting with this kind of hand. You have to decide for yourself and bid either 2 ♥ or 4 ♥. Take the optimistic view and bid the game.

As you see, it is going to take some luck.

Deal 2

West Deals

None Vul

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

7	♠ A 6 3 2
15 12	♥ Q 9 2
6	♦ 10 3
	♣ 10 6 3 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 ♠ by East			



♠ Q J 10 9 5
♥ 10 4
♦ A 8 7
♣ K Q 9

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 13 points you must either bid game or make a bid that forces partner to game. If partner has 3 or more ♠s then the game should be 4 ♠. If partner has only a doubleton ♠ then the game should be 3 NT. Only partner can decide, and the bid that tells him to make the decision is 3 ♠.

Partner has 3 of them so he bids 4 ♠.

Deal 3

North Deals
None Vul

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

16
5 5
14

N
W E
S

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

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

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 16 points you may be in slam range. You should alert partner of your big hand by jumping to 3 ♣. Partner says 4 ♣ and it is your bid again.

Don't make the mistake of bidding Blackwood when you have a doubleton-nothing in a suit. If partner has only one Ace you will be left not knowing what to do. Instead make a control-bid showing your ♦ A. Now partner bids 6 ♣ which ends the auction.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

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

9
21 3
 7

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8 5
 ♥ 9 7
 ♦ K 10 9 8 7 3
 ♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2
 ♥ Q 8
 ♦ J 6 5 4
 ♣ K 7 5 3

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

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have 5 points, all in ♦s. That will take the partnership total to either 25 or 26, so you have a judgement call. If partner is unable to establish your ♦s then even 2 NT will probably be too high, so you might as well assume that he will be able to use them and bid 3 NT.

You hit the jackpot.

Deal 5
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 6	♦ Q 10 2		
♥ 10 7 5 3 2	♥ K Q J		
♦ K J 3 2	♦ A Q 9 5		
♣ 10 7 6	♣ A J 5		
	♠ A 4		
	♥ 9 6 4		
	♦ 10 8 7 4		
	♣ 9 8 4 3		
	♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3		
19 4 4 13	♥ A 8 ♦ 6 ♣ K Q 2		
West	North	East	South
	2 NT	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	6 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♠ by North			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You and partner better have a good agreement on which Ace-asking convention you use because you're going to use it now. Let's say it is Gerber.

You bid 4 ♣ and partner replies 4 ♠. What do you bid next?

Missing one Ace you settle for the small slam.

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

 ♠ J 9
 ♥ A 7 3
 ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A 9 8 3

8
10 7
15

Deal 7

South Deals ♠ 7
Both Vul ♥ KJ 8 6 5
 ♦ Q 9 5 2
 ♣ J 8 4

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

N
W E
S

♠ A 6 3 2
♥ Q 9 2
♦ 10 3
♣ 10 6 3 2

7
15 12
6

Deal 8

West Deals	♠ A J 3
None Vul	♥ A J 6 5
	♦ K 5
	♣ Q J 6 3
♠ K 10 9 7 4	
♥ Q 4 2	
♦ 8 4 2	
♣ 4 2	



16	♠ 8 5
5 5	♥ K 7
14	♦ A 10 9
	♣ A K 10 8 7 5

♠ Q 6 2
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 9

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 10 7 6 3

♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

♦ —

♣ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 10 ♠ Q 10 2
East Deals ♥ K Q J
Both Vul ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A J 5

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ A 4
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 10 8 7 4
♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3
♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2

19
4 4
13

Deal 11 ♠ 7 6
South Deals ♥ K J 9 8 6 5
None Vul ♦ 8 6
 ♣ K J 10
♠ A Q 10 8 4 2 ♠ K 5 3
♥ 4 2 ♥ Q 10
♦ K J 10 ♦ 7 4 3 2
♣ 7 6 ♣ Q 5 4 2

 ♠ J 9
 8 ♥ A 7 3
10 7 ♦ A Q 9 5
15 15 ♣ A 9 8 3

Deal 12

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

7
15 **12**
6

N
W E
S

♠ Q J 10 9 5
♥ 10 4
♦ A 8 7
♣ K Q 9

♠ A 6 3 2
♥ Q 9 2
♦ 10 3
♣ 10 6 3 2

Deal 13 ♠ A J 3
North Deals ♥ AJ 6 5
Both Vul ♦ K 5
 ♣ Q J 6 3
♠ K 10 9 7 4 ♠ Q 6 2
♥ Q 4 2 ♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ 8 4 2 ♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 4 2 ♣ 9



16
5 5
14
♠ 8 5
♥ K 7
♦ A 10 9
♣ A K 10 8 7 5

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 7 6 3

♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

♦ —

♣ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 15

South Deals ♠ Q 10 2
N-S Vul ♥ K Q J
 ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A J 5

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

N
W E
S

♠ A 4
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 10 8 7 4
♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3
♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2

19
4 4
13

Deal 16

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



Deal 17

North Deals	♠ 7
None Vul	♥ KJ865
	♦ Q952
	♣ J84
♠ K84	♠ QJ1095
♥ A73	♥ 104
♦ KJ64	♦ A87
♣ A75	♣ KQ9
	♠ A632
7	♥ Q92
15 12	♦ 103
6	♣ 10632

N
W E
S

Deal 18

East Deals
N-S Vul

♠ K 10 9 7 4
♥ Q 4 2
♦ 8 4 2
♣ 4 2



♠ A J 3
♥ AJ 6 5
♦ K 5
♣ Q J 6 3

♠ Q 6 2
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 9

♠ 8 5
♥ K 7
♦ A 10 9
♣ A K 10 8 7 5

16
5 5
14

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 10 7 6 3

♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

♦ —

♣ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 20 ♠ Q 10 2
West Deals ♥ K Q J
Both Vul ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A J 5

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

19
4 **4**
13

N
W E
S
 ♠ A 4
 ♥ 9 6 4
 ♦ 10 8 7 4
 ♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3

♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2

Deal 21

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

8 ♠ J 9
10 7 ♥ A 7 3
15 ♦ A Q 9 5
♣ A 9 8 3



Deal 22

East Deals
E-W Vul

♠ K 8 4
♥ A 7 3
♦ K J 6 4
♣ A 7 5

N
W E
S

7
15 12
6

♠ A 6 3 2
♥ Q 9 2
♦ 10 3
♣ 10 6 3 2

♠ 7
♥ K J 8 6 5
♦ Q 9 5 2
♣ J 8 4

♠ Q J 10 9 5
♥ 10 4
♦ A 8 7
♣ K Q 9

Deal 23 ♠ A J 3
South Deals ♥ AJ 6 5
Both Vul ♦ K 5
 ♣ Q J 6 3
♠ K 10 9 7 4 ♠ Q 6 2
♥ Q 4 2 ♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ 8 4 2 ♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 4 2 ♣ 9



16
5 5
14
♠ 8 5
♥ K 7
♦ A 10 9
♣ A K 10 8 7 5

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 7 6 3

♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

♦ —

♣ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 25 ♠ Q 10 2
North Deals ♥ K Q J
E-W Vul ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A J 5

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

19
4 **4**
13

N
W E
S
 ♠ A 4
 ♥ 9 6 4
 ♦ 10 8 7 4
 ♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3

♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2

Deal 26

East Deals	♠ 7 6
Both Vul	♥ K J 9 8 6 5
	♦ 8 6
	♣ K J 10

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

8	♠ J 9
10 7	♥ A 7 3
15	♦ A Q 9 5
	♣ A 9 8 3

Deal 27

South Deals	♠ 7
None Vul	♥ KJ865
	♦ Q952
	♣ J84
♠ K84	♠ QJ1095
♥ A73	♥ 104
♦ KJ64	♦ A87
♣ A75	♣ KQ9
	♠ A632
7	♥ Q92
15 12	♦ 103
6	♣ 10632

N
W E
S

Deal 28

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



♠ Q 6 2
♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 9

16	♠ 8 5
5 5	♥ K 7
14	♦ A 10 9
	♣ A K 10 8 7 5

Deal 29 ♠ A 10 7 6 3

North Deals ♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

Both Vul ♦ —

♣ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 30
East Deals
None Vul

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

♠ Q 10 2
♥ K Q J
♦ A Q 9 5
♣ A J 5

N
W E
S

19
4 4
13

♠ A 4
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 10 8 7 4
♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3
♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2

Deal 31 ♠ 7 6
South Deals ♥ K J 9 8 6 5
N-S Vul ♦ 8 6
 ♣ K J 10

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

N
W E
S

♠ J 9
♥ A 7 3
♦ A Q 9 5
♣ A 9 8 3

8
10 7
15

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7

♥ KJ865

♦ Q952

♣ J84

♠ K84

♥ A73

♦ KJ64

♣ A75

N
W E
S

♠ QJ1095

♥ 104

♦ A87

♣ KQ9

♠ A632

♥ Q92

♦ 103

♣ 10632

7
15 12
6

Deal 33 ♠ A J 3
North Deals ♥ A J 6 5
None Vul ♦ K 5
 ♣ Q J 6 3
♠ K 10 9 7 4 ♠ Q 6 2
♥ Q 4 2 ♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ 8 4 2 ♦ Q J 7 6 3
♣ 4 2 ♣ 9



 ♠ 8 5
16 ♥ K 7
5 ♦ A 10 9
14 ♣ A K 10 8 7 5

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♦ Q 8

♠ K Q 9

♥ A J 10

♦ A Q 2

♣ A J 10 4

♠ A 10 7 6 3

♥ K 6 5 4 3 2

♦ —

♣ Q 8

N
W E
S

♠ 8 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K 10 9 8 7 3

♣ 9 6 2

♠ J 4 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 6 5 4

♣ K 7 5 3

9
21 3
7

Deal 35

South Deals ♠ Q 10 2
E-W Vul ♥ K Q J
 ♦ A Q 9 5
 ♣ A J 5

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 5 3 2
♦ K J 3 2
♣ 10 7 6

19
4 **4**
13

N
W E
S

♠ A 4
♥ 9 6 4
♦ 10 8 7 4
♣ 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 3

♥ A 8
♦ 6
♣ K Q 2