

Deal 1

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

11	♠ A 9 7 5 3
8 8	♥ Q J 10 5
13	♦ K Q J

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1♠
Pass	2♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4♥ by North			

You open 1♠ and partner responds 2♥. What do you bid next?

Partner has shown 11+ points and at least 4 ♥s. Your hand revalues to 16 points in support of ♥s, where you know you have an 8-card fit or better. You bid 4♥ confidently.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 6
♥ K 8 7 3
♦ A 9 7
♣ 10 8 5 4

10
9 15
6

♠ J 8
♥ 10 6
♦ 8 4 3 2
♣ A K Q 9 3

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♠ A K 10 7 5 3
♥ Q J 5
♦ K Q 10
♣ 7

♠ 9 4 2
♥ A 9 4 2
♦ J 6 5
♣ J 6 2

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

We all know you will open 1 ♠ with this hand. And after partner responds 1 NT what is your next bid?

With 6 of them you can rebid ♠s but you are too strong to say just 2 ♠. Your 17 points puts you in the Medium range where you make a jump. So you bid 3 ♠ and partner bids 4 ♠.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 5 4
♥ 10 6 4 3
♦ Q 10 9 6
♣ 10 5

11
4 5
20



♠ A 10 2
♥ K 7 5 2
♦ 7 4 3
♣ A 9 7

♠ K J 9 8 7 3
♥ —
♦ J 2
♣ 8 6 4 3 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

This is a big hand. But not quite enough to open 2 ♣. So you open 1 ♥ and partner responds 3 ♥. Now what?

You might bid 4 ♦ as a slam try, but it is probably just as well to go ahead and ask for Aces. So you bid 4 NT and partner owns up to holding 2 Aces. What is your next bid?

You have all the Aces but don't go crazy. Partner only has 11-12 points so don't think too Grand! Bid 6 ♥.

Deal 4

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 10 6 4
♥ J
♦ 10 2
♣ Q J 7 5 4

♠ K 5

♥ A K Q 7 5

♦ K 6 3

♣ A 10 8



♠ 9 8 7
♥ 10 8 6
♦ A Q 8 5
♣ 6 3 2

♠ Q 3 2

♥ 9 4 3 2

♦ J 9 7 4

♣ K 9

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♥	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 ♥ by West			

With 6 points you must respond and you should let partner know you have support for his suit. So you bid 2 ♥ and he promptly raises to 4 ♥. It's a good thing he had 20 points isn't it.