

**Deal 1**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

<b>♠ J 7 6 5 4</b> <b>♥ —</b> <b>♦ Q J 8 3 2</b> <b>♣ Q 10 5</b>	<b>♠ A 9 8 3</b> <b>♥ K Q 8 3</b> <b>♦ A K 4</b> <b>♣ 7 2</b>
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<b>♠ 10 2</b> <b>♥ 5 4 2</b> <b>♦ 10 6 5</b> <b>♣ K J 8 4 3</b>
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<b>♠ K Q</b> <b>♥ A J 10 9 7 6</b> <b>♦ 9 7</b> <b>♣ A 9 6</b>
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

SOUTH's 3

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bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

The next three bids are all Control-showing cue bids.

**Deal 2**South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 5 2  
♥ Q 9 7 5  
♦ 5 2  
♣ 9 7 5 4

**16**  
**2 6**  
**16**

	N		J
W		E	
	S		

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

♠ A Q 9 8 4  
♥ A K 4  
♦ 9 8  
♣ Q J 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by South			

SOUTH shows extra strength / five trumps.

4â™£ and 4

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are Control-showing bids.

NORTH knows they are missing the

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A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain SOUTH holds the trump Ace.

**Deal 3**South Deals  
None Vul

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

**14**  
 7 6  
**13**

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ 10 5 4 2  
 ♥ 10 2  
 ♦ Q 8 5  
 ♣ A 8 3 2

♠ K Q J  
 ♥ K Q J 8 4  
 ♦ 9 4  
 ♣ J 6 5

West	North	East	South
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	4 ♥
4 ♥ by South			

NORTH's 3â™ bid, a double-jump, is a Splinter bid. It shows game-forcing strength, at

least four cards in partner's suit, and a singleton or void in the Splintered suit.

SOUTH has just 14 points and the â™ shortness in NORTH's hand doesn't improve her hand since

she had just one â™ loser anyway. She signs off in 4

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**Deal 4**South Deals  
None Vul

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

**14**  
 5 8  
**13**

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

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

N  
W E  
S

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

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

This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

SOUTH has 14 points, the same strength she had in Deal 13. But what a difference.

This time NORTH's  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  shortness complements her hand very well. She bids  $4\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\mathfrak{f}$

to show her Control, and after NORTH shows the

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}!$

A she

uses Blackwood to make sure NORTH also has the trump Ace.

**Deal 5**

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

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

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by South			



NORTH has 13 points and good 3-card support for SOUTH's 1

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opening bid.

But he should not bid 2 NT since that bid promises 4+ cards in support. North must still insure

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2â™£.

When SOUTH next says 2 NT NORTH can jump to 4

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NOTE: if you used Jacoby 2 NT and reached the 4

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game, give yourself credit anyway.