

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 9  
NORTH has 20 points, excellent

**Board 1**  
West Deals  
None Vul

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

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 9 7 3  
♥ T 8 5  
♦ T  
♣ 9 5 3 2

♠ J T 5 2  
♥ 7 6 4 2  
♦ 8 6  
♣ J 8 6

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	1NT	All Pass	

1 NT by North

stoppers and a balanced hand.

She is two points too strong to overcall 1NT. Instead, she doubles.

SOUTH has an awful hand - but since he is forced to bid he says 1 ♠ assuming NORTH wants

to hear his best suit.

NORTH now bids 1NT, showing the balanced 19-21 point hand. SOUTH passes, of course.

**Board 2**  
 East Deals  
 None Vul

♠ T 9 8 5  
 ♥ 9 4  
 ♦ T 9 6 2  
 ♣ 5 3 2

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



♠ A 3  
 ♥ K J 8 7 3 2  
 ♦ 8 4  
 ♣ Q J T

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

West	North	East	South
		1 ♥	Dbl
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

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SOUTH has a 19 point balanced hand, including a stop in

s.

He plans to double, then bid NT. (see Deal 9)

NORTH has 10 points though, so he jumps to 2 .

In theory SOUTH could now bid 2NT to continue the description of his hand, but he might as well

go ahead and bid 3NT instead.

**Board 3**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ -  
 ♥ K Q T 7 3  
 ♦ A 9 8 7 5  
 ♣ Q 5 3

♠ A Q T 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q T

♣ A 9 7 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 8 7 6

♥ J 9 2

♦ 6 4

♣ K T 8 6

♠ K J 4 2

♥ A 8 5

♦ K J 3 2

♣ J 2

West

1 ♥

Pass

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

All Pass

South

3 ♠

4 ♠ by North

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With a 5-card suit and 13 points NORTH should overcall 1 .

SOUTH has 13 points and four . If NORTH had opened, SOUTH's hand would be good enough

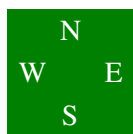
to insist on game. But since NORTH overcalled, SOUTH merely invites with a jump to 3 .

NORTH has better than a minimum overcall so she accepts the invitation and bids 4 .

**Board 4**  
West Deals  
Both Vul

♠ A 8 2  
♥ A 3  
♦ K J T 4  
♣ Q 8 6 4

♠ K J 6 4  
♥ J T 7 5  
♦ 6  
♣ A K J 3



♠ T 9 7 5  
♥ 2  
♦ Q 9 8 7 3  
♣ T 7 2

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	4 ♥
All Pass			

4 ♥ by South

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NORTH has a very minimum Takeout Double of 1

. But what it lacks

in strength, it makes up for with perfect distribution.

SOUTH has 13 points and only wants to play in one contract, 4

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NORTH passes happily.