

Deal 1

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ A J 9 4 2
♦ J 9 2
♣ A Q 10

10
12 6
12

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

♠ A K 10 9 4
♥ 8 5 3
♦ 6 5 3
♣ K 9



♠ Q J 8 6
♥ 7
♦ A K Q 4
♣ 8 6 3 2

♠ 7 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 10 8 7
♣ J 7 5 4

You have 14 points in support of ♠s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♥, showing a good hand with support and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 3 ♠. What do you say?

4 ♠. Partner's jump shows a good overcall, but not enough strength to insist on game when you might have only 11 points. You have plenty extra so you bid the game.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 8

♥ J 9 4

♦ A 8 6 2

♣ A J

♠ 7

♥ A K Q 10 5 3

♦ J 5

♣ 10 9 8 3



♠ 5 3

♥ 7 6 2

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 7 6 4 2

♠ A K Q 6 4 2

♥ 8

♦ K Q 4

♣ K Q 5

11
10 0
19

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♥

Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by South

3 ♥

5 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s,
11 points or more.

There is only one thing you want to know
now - how many Aces partner holds. So
you bid 4 NT to find out. Partner
responds 5 ♥. What do you say?

You know you have a loser. Bid 6 ♠.

Deal 3

West Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 7 4
♥ K Q J 10 2
♦ 8 7 3
♣ 10

♠ K 10
♥ 7 3
♦ A K Q 2
♣ 8 7 6 3 2



♠ A 9 5 3 2
♥ 6 5
♦ J 10
♣ K 9 5 4

9
12 8
11

♠ 8 6
♥ A 9 8 4
♦ 9 6 5 4
♣ A Q J

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

You have 12 points in support of ♥s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♣. Since the opponents have bid two suits you can cue-bid either one of them, so you usually pick the one you have the most strength in. Partner bids 2 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner had a minimum overcall so he made a minimum rebid.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 10 6

♥ Q J 9 7 6

♦ Q J 7 5

♣ —

♠ J 4

♥ 4

♦ K 3 2

♣ A K Q J 10 8 6



♠ 9 8 5 2

♥ 10 2

♦ 10 9 8 4

♣ 5 3 2

♠ A 7 3

♥ A K 8 5 3

♦ A 6

♣ 9 7 4

11
14 ○
15

West

North

East

South

2 ♣

3 ♣

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

5 ♣

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

You have about 15 points in support of ♥s so you cue-bid 3 ♣, showing a limit raise or better and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

5 ♣. Partner's jump shows a good hand and you have more than you have promised so far. This cue-bid is a different type, showing first round control in ♣s, Ace or void. That was apparently what partner wanted to hear since he went right to slam.