

Board 1

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 4 2

♥ Q T 8 4

♦ T 8

♣ 9 7 6 4

♠ Q J T

♥ A J 7

♦ A K 6 2

♣ K Q J

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W
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♠ 9 7 6 5

♥ K 3

♦ Q J 9 5

♣ A T 3

♠ K 8 3

♥ 9 6 5 2

♦ 7 4 3

♣ 8 5 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

2 NT by North

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 With 21 points and 4-3-3-3 distribution, NORTH opens 2NT.

SOUTH has just 3 points; he knows that NORTH cannot have more than 21 so the partnership total cannot be more than 24. So he just passes 2NT.

Board 2

South Deals

None Vul

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

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3NT by North

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This is an easy one to bid.

SOUTH has a balanced 16 points so he opens 1NT.

NORTH has a balanced 12 points so she responds 3NT.

BUT - just look at how this would play. You might only be able to take 8 tricks.

Sometimes correct bidding gets you to unmakeable contracts. But it's only a game.

Board 3

West Deals

None Vul

♠ T 9 8 3
♥ A 2
♦ 9 8 6 3
♣ T 5 3

♠ A J 5

♥ Q T 9 3

♦ K Q J

♣ A K 6



♠ Q 6 4
♥ 8 7 6 4
♦ T 5
♣ 9 7 4 2

♠ K 7 2
♥ K J 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ Q J 8

West	North	East	South
Pass	2NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6NT by South

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Notrump bidding really is easy, you just add your points to partner's points and then

bid according to that answer.

Here SOUTH has 14 points. So when NORTH opens 2NT, showing 20 or 21 points SOUTH knows the

total will come to 34 or 35 so he bids 6NT.

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 5

♥ Q 8 4

♦ Q 6 2

♣ Q 7 5 3

♠ J T 9 2

♥ A J 7 5 2

♦ T 8

♣ K 9



♠ A K 6

♥ K 9 3

♦ K 7 4 3

♣ A 6 2

West North East South

Pass Pass 1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

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NORTH cannot open with only 8 points.

Furthermore, when SOUTH opens 1NT NORTH knows that the partnership has a 25 points at most so

he passes again.