

**Deal 1**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ A Q 10 8  
♥ K J 9 5  
♦ J 5 4  
♣ 8 4

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



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

11  
12 1  
16

♠ K 9  
♥ A Q 7 6  
♦ A K 9 2  
♣ 10 7 6

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by South			

With 11 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, and it is possible that a jump to 3 NT (which says you have no ♣ stopper) would work. However, with two 4-card Major suits you should use the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, which is a cue-bid of 3 ♣.

Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

With a known 8-card Major fit and a known 26-28 points you bid 4 ♥.

**Deal 2**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

10  
13 1  
16

*West*

2 ♦

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ 7 6  
♥ K Q J 7  
♦ 10 3  
♣ A 10 7 3 2



♠ K Q 9 3  
♥ A 10 8 5  
♦ Q 6  
♣ K Q 6

*North*

3 ♦

4 ♥

*East*

Pass

Pass

*South*

1 NT

3 ♥

Pass

Partner's direct cue-bid is the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, but with no ♦ stopper.

With 4 cards in both Majors you bid 3 ♥.

Partner then bids 4 ♥ which you pass.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10

♥ K 10 9 7 4

♦ 10 6 2

♣ 10 5 2

17  
5 13  
5

*West*

Pass

Pass

3 ♦ by South

♠ A 8 4

♥ A Q J

♦ K J 3

♣ Q 7 6 3



♠ 6 2

♥ 8 5 3

♦ Q 9 8 7 5 4

♣ K 4

*North*

1 NT

3 ♣

Pass

*East*

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

*South*

2 NT

3 ♦

With your hand you'd like to sign off in 3 ♦. But you cannot actually bid 3 ♦ because that would show a forcing-to-game hand. So you bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner makes the relay bid of 3 ♣. What do you say?

NOW you can bid 3 ♦, which partner passes.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 2  
 ♥ 8  
 ♦ K 8 7 5  
 ♣ 10 9 8 3 2

15  
 8 13  
 4

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

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



♠ 5  
 ♥ Q J 9 7 4 2  
 ♦ 9 4 3  
 ♣ J 7 4

North

1 NT

3 ♣

Pass

East

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

3 ♥

Partner's 2 NT bid is lebensohl, asking you to bid 3 ♣. You bid 3 ♣. Partner says 3 ♥.

What do you say now?

How about . . . pass? Partner just signed off with this sequence. He couldn't bid 3 ♥ directly, that would have been a game-force.