

**Deal 1**

North Deals

None Vul

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

8  
11 7  
14

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	2 ♠	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

3 ♠ by North

♠ K Q 9 8 6 2

♥ 8 6 4

♦ 9 4

♣ K 6

W	N
S	E

♠ A 7 4  
♥ 10 2  
♦ 6 5  
♣ Q J 10 8 7 3

♠ J 10 3  
♥ A K 5 3  
♦ A Q 7 3 2  
♣ 4

SOUTH has one of those hands which might or might not be helpful to NORTH. He needs

more information about NORTH's hand, so he bids 2 NT.

NORTH has a better than average hand, so she bids 3â™£ to show a high card in the suit.

SOUTH was hoping for a high card in

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s rather than â™£s, so

he signs off in 3â™

**Deal 2**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 8 5 2  
♥ A 9 8 7  
♦ 9 5  
♣ J 3 2

8  
5 9  
18

N  
W E  
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♠ 7 3  
♥ K 5 3  
♦ K Q 10 8 7 2  
♣ 9 4

♠ K Q J 9  
♥ J 10 6  
♦ 6 3  
♣ Q 10 8 7

♠ A 6 4  
♥ Q 4 2  
♦ A J 4  
♣ A K 6 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	2 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 NT by South			

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tricks

she bids 3 NT.

With four fast winners SOUTH should think about game. The best approach is usually to

use 2 NT to find out more about NORTH's hand.

SOUTH found out that NORTH has good opening strength, and, most importantly, either the

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A or

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K. Now that she doesn't

have to worry about the opponents taking

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

**♠ K Q 8**  
**♥ A K 8**  
**♦ J 4 3**  
**♣ A 10 6 5**

**♠ J 2**  
**♥ J 10 4 3 2**  
**♦ 10 8**  
**♣ Q J 9 4**

17	9	9	8 3
♠	9 7 5	7 6	♦ A K Q 9 6 2
5	♦	A K Q 9 6 2	♣

W	N	E
S		

**♠ A 10 6 4 3**  
**♥ Q 9 5**  
**♦ 7 5**  
**♣ K 7 2**

West	North	East	South
Pass	2 NT	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 NT
<b>3 NT by North</b>			

NORTH is strong enough to be thinking about game, depending on how good SOUTH's hand is.

So he bids 2 NT to get more information.

SOUTH has the exact hand to say 3 NT - a suit headed by AKQ.

Game (and bidding) doesn't get much easier.

**Deal 4**South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 4  
♥ Q 10  
♦ A K J 9 6  
♣ Q 8 7 4 3

**11**  
**12**   **10**  
    7

♠ 10 9 2  
♥ A 8 7 4 3  
♦ 3  
♣ A K 9 2



♠ A 6  
♥ K J 9 6 5  
♦ Q 10 8 2  
♣ 10 6

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			3 ♠
4 ♠ by South			

NORTH assumes her partner can win six tricks. So she will need to contribute four more to

make game.

Three of them are obvious, and she expects to get a

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