

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 5 4

♥ J 8 6

♦ T 9 3

♣ T 5 4

♠ A K 6 3

♥ K Q T 4

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ 2



♠ T

♥ 7 3 2

♦ 7 6 2

♣ A 9 8 7 6 3

♠ J 9 8 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ A J 4

♣ K Q J

West

North

East

South

Pass

2♣

Pass

2♠

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♥

Pass

5♠

All Pass

5♠ by North

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This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, NORTH uses RKCB after the 4-4 fit is discovered.

This time SOUTH shows two Key Cards without the Q.

Now NORTH realizes that in addition to one outside Ace, there is a very possible loser

in trumps. So she stops at 5 .

**Board 2**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 8 6  
♥ -  
♦ J T 9 4 2  
♣ Q T 6 3

♠ 7 3 2

♥ A K Q 8 6 4

♦ 5 3

♣ 8 7



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

♠ A K 4

♥ J 9 5

♦ A K 7 6

♣ A 5 4

West	North	East	South
	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

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The chances of a slam on this hand are very small,  
and if SOUTH decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when NORTH shows two Key  
Cards.

SOUTH has a better way to find out about the hand.  
She bids 2NT asking NORTH to further describe

his hand. NORTH should then bid 3NT, showing a  
solid suit headed by AKQ.

NORTH cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so  
SOUTH just passes 3NT.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ -  
 ♥ 8 4  
 ♦ A T 7 6 2  
 ♣ J 9 8 7 3 2

♠ K 5 3

♥ A 9 5 2

♦ 8 5 4

♣ 6 5 4



♠ T 9 7 4

♥ J T 6 3

♦ 9 3

♣ K Q T

♠ A Q J 8 6 2

♥ K Q 7

♦ K Q J

♣ A

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

6♠ by South

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SOUTH realizes NORTH has fewer than 8 points,  
 but the 3 support bid is enough

for her to try a RKCB 4NT bid.

NORTH shows two Key Cards and SOUTH figures  
 they will be the ~~K~~ and one of the

red Aces. So she bids 6 If instead the Key Cards are  
 the two red Aces SOUTH

might possibly make all thirteen tricks with a finesse.

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

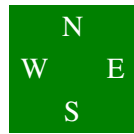
♠ 4  
♥ J T 9 3  
♦ A Q 7 4 3  
♣ T 7 6

♠ A 7 2

♥ Q 7 4

♦ 9 8 5

♣ 9 8 4 3



♠ T 9 8 6 3

♥ 8

♦ K J T 2

♣ J 5 2

♠ K Q J 5

♥ A K 6 5 2

♦ 6

♣ A K Q

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

Q but no King so she jumps

to 6

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NORTH's 3

bid is "encouraging" so SOUTH bids 4NT.

When NORTH shows one Key Card, (an Ace),  
SOUTH is afraid he may have a trump loser as well  
the

other Ace. To find out about the

Q he

bids 5

, the Queen Ask.

NORTH has the

# Board 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ T 8 6  
♥ Q T  
♦ A Q T 9 3  
♣ 7 6 2

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



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

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

West	North	East	South
			2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♥
Pass	3♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♣	Pass	5♦
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

anyway.

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This is the companion to Deal 22.

Again, worried about a possible trump loser in addition to the missing Ace, SOUTH

bids 5

, the Queen Ask.

NORTH definitely does NOT have the

Q. But with five trumps she

does know that SOUTH probably does not have a trump loser so she jumps

to 6

# Board 6

South Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A K 9 6 3

♥ A J 7 5

♦ K Q 2

♣ 6



♠ Q T 7 4 2

♥ 8 2

♦ A T 4

♣ J 9 2

♠ 8 5

♥ K Q 9 6 4

♦ 7 3

♣ A K 8 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	6 ♥	All Pass	

6 ♥ by North

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NORTH cannot use RKCB at her second bid because trumps have not been agreed. So she bids

3

to set trumps, knowing SOUTH cannot pass after her jump-shift.

SOUTH tries to stop at game but NORTH is too strong so she now uses RKCB and gets

to 6

when SOUTH shows two Key Cards and the trump Queen.