

Deal 1

South Deals ♠ K 10 4 2
 None Vul ♥ A Q 10 9 6 3
 ♦ —
 ♣ 8 7 4

♠ 8 5 3 ♠ 9 7 6
 ♥ — ♥ 8 7 5 4 2
 ♦ A 10 8 5 3 2 ♦ K J 9
 ♣ K J 10 2 ♣ A 9

9
 8 8
 15

♠ A Q J
 ♥ K J
 ♦ Q 7 6 4
 ♣ Q 6 5 3

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

This is the follow-up to Deal T. South opens 1 NT. What do you respond?

Just like the previous deal with a 4-card Major you use Stayman. This time partner says 2 ♦. Your turn again.

With partner showing no 4-card Major the bidding takes a turn. With your 6 ♥s you are sure of an 8-card fit in the suit. With 11 points you must be sure of reaching game. So you bid 4 ♥.

In this case the strong hand does not become declarer, but the contract is the right one anyway.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 9
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K 8 2
♣ 10 5 4 3

9
8 8
15

♠ 8 3
♥ K Q 7 4
♦ 7 6 4 3
♣ A 8 2



♠ K 10 4 2
♥ A 3
♦ Q J 9 5
♣ K Q 7

♠ Q 7 6 5
♥ J 10 9 8
♦ A 10
♣ J 9 6

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

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.
What do you bid?

Partner has commanded you to bid a 4-card Major if you have one. You have one, so you bid 2 ♠. Partner now says 2 NT. What do you bid?

Partner evidently has 4 ♥s. He also evidently has about 9 points since he is INVITING you to bid 3 NT. With your minimum 15 points you decline the invitation by passing.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 6 5 4

♥ 7 5 4

♦ A 8 3

♣ 5 3

17
8 6
9

♠ K Q 2

♥ A 9 3

♦ Q J 9 5

♣ K Q 7



♠ J 10 8 3

♥ J 10 8 6

♦ K 10

♣ A 8 4

♠ 7

♥ K Q 2

♦ 7 6 4 2

♣ J 10 9 6 2

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

1 NT

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by North

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.
What do you bid?

With no 4-card Major you reply 2 ♦. What
do you bid after partner next says 2 NT?

Partner seems to have about 9 points and
is inviting you to say 3 NT. Since you
have a maximum 17 point hand you
accept the invitation.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 4 3
♥ A J
♦ 8 7 6 5 2
♣ 10 9 8

9
6 10
15

♠ K 10 8 5
♥ 9 8 5 2
♦ A 9 3
♣ Q 5



♠ Q 7 6 2
♥ Q 6 3
♦ K Q J
♣ A J 7

♠ A 9
♥ K 10 7 4
♦ 10 4
♣ K 6 4 3 2

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

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.
What do you bid?

You bid 2 ♠. Partner next says 3 ♠. What
do you say now?

Considering the bidding you have done so
far you couldn't have a worse hand. With
4-3-3-3 distribution and a bare 15 points
you most certainly don't want to accept
any invitation from partner. So you pass.
As you see, 9 tricks are not going to come
easily.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 7 5 4

♥ 6 4 2

♦ 9 8 2

♣ 5 3

17
7 7
9

♠ J 6 2

♥ A 10 9 5

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A Q



♠ Q 10 9 3

♥ K 8 7 3

♦ A 5

♣ 7 6 4

♠ 8

♥ Q J

♦ 10 7 6 3

♣ K J 10 9 8 2

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

1 NT

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

You open 1 NT and partner responds 2 ♣.
What do you bid?

You respond 2 ♥. Partner now says 3 ♥.
What do you bid?

Partner has told you he has 4 ♥s and approximately 9 points. Add that to your 4 ♥s and 17 points and the total equals a game bid in ♥s. So you say 4 ♥.