

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 10 8 2
 ♥ 8
 ♦ 7 6 3
 ♣ 9 8 6 2

13
 7 6
 14

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ 7 3

♥ K Q 9 7 2

♦ A K J 9 8

♣ 5

N
 W E
 S

♠ Q J

♥ A J 10 6

♦ Q 5 2

♣ K J 7 3

North

1 ♥

4 ♦

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

4 ♥

It is your bid.

Although you could show your singleton ♣ now it is usually more informative to show a second 5-card suit. So you say 4 ♦. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner signed off, showing a minimum, so you have nothing further to say.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 8 6 4 2
♥ 7
♦ Q 9 8 4
♣ A Q 3

13
8 5
14

♠ K J
♥ K Q 8 6
♦ K J 10 3
♣ 9 7 5



♠ A Q 3
♥ A J 10 9 5 3
♦ 6
♣ K 8 2

♠ 10 7 5
♥ 4 2
♦ A 7 5 2
♣ J 10 6 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by South			

It is your bid.

Opening hand with 4-card trump support. You bid 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♦. What do you say?

The news that partner has a singleton ♦ does NOT excite you. In fact it causes your hand to devalue a lot. So you use the Principle of Fast Arrival and bid 4 ♥.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 7 6 2

♥ 7 3

♦ 8 7 5

♣ 7 5 4

18
6 4
12

♠ 10 9 4

♥ A K J 8 4

♦ K J 10

♣ A Q



♠ K J 8 5

♥ 6 2

♦ 9 6 4 2

♣ 9 6 2

♠ 3

♥ Q 10 9 5

♦ A Q 3

♣ K J 10 8 3

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

1 ♥

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

6 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by North

It is your bid.

Partner's 3 ♠ bid is a Splinter, showing a singleton ♠, good trump support, and 13-16 points. You bid your first-round ♣ control, and partner replies with 4 ♦. What do you bid next?

There isn't really anything else you want to know. You think you can make slam so you bid 6 ♥.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10

♥ 6

♦ 10 4 3 2

♣ K 8 6 5 3 2

13
4 7
16

♠ A Q 6 2

♥ A Q 5 3

♦ J 9 8

♣ 10 7



♠ K 3

♥ K J 10 9 7 4

♦ K Q 5

♣ A 9

♠ 9 8 7 5 4

♥ 8 2

♦ A 7 6

♣ Q J 4

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

Pass

2 NT

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

You have a perfect Jacoby 2 NT raise. Partner's rebid is 3 ♥. What is your next bid?

When partner shows an above average opener it is your duty to make a control bid if you can. So you bid 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 NT and it is your turn.

This is Blackwood. You respond 5 ♥ for two Aces and partner bids the slam.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 10

♥ J 10 8 7 2

♦ Q J 9 4 3

♣ Q 5

14
6 4
16

♠ A Q 6 3

♥ A 9

♦ 10 8 7

♣ A 9 6 4



♠ K J 9 8 7 5 2

♥ K Q 3

♦ A K

♣ 8

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 4

♦ 6 5 2

♣ K J 10 7 3 2

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

Pass

2 NT

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

5 ♠

Pass

4 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

7 NT

7 NT by North

It is your bid.

Partner has at least opening hand and he has 4 ♠s. There is only one thing you need to know - how many Aces he has. You bid Blackwood 4 NT and he responds 5 ♠. What is your next bid?

The three Aces does it for you. You can count 7 ♠ tricks, 3 ♥ tricks, 2 ♦ tricks and 1 ♣. That is 13 total so you go ahead and bid 7 NT.

Deal 6

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q 8 4 2
♥ 7 3
♦ 10 8 5
♣ J 9 8

12
7 7
14

West

North

East

South

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

♠ 9

♥ K Q 8 5

♦ A 9 7 2

♣ K 7 4 3



♠ K J 10 3

♥ 4 2

♦ J 6 4 3

♣ Q 10 2

♠ 7 6 5

♥ A J 10 9 6

♦ K Q

♣ A 6 5

It is your bid.

You have an opening hand with four of partner's Major suit so naturally you want to force to game. Although you could bid a Jacoby 2 NT, the presence of the singleton ♠ makes a Splinter Bid more attractive. So you double-jump to 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 ♣. What do you say next?

Partner's 4 ♣ bid is control showing, and indicates he is thinking slammish. You bid 4 ♦ showing your control and partner bids 6 ♥.

As you can see, South should make 12 tricks by discarding one ♣ loser on your ♦ A.