

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 6 4

♥ J 7 2

♦ 9 2

♣ A 8 4 3

♠ 5 3

♥ K 8 6 5

♦ A Q J T 6 4

♣ K

	N	
W		E
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♠ A 9

♥ A Q 9 3

♦ K 8 7 5

♣ J 6 5

♠ K J T 8 2

♥ T 4

♦ 3

♣ Q T 9 7 2

West	North	East	South
	1♦	All Pass	

1♦ by North

**Baker Overcalls 1**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your turn.  
Decide what you would say, then on "" above.

You have 14 points but so what. You have no 5-card suit to Overcall. You cannot make a Takeout Double with 4 of their suit. So you pass. It is important to realize that there are hands you would open but cannot overcall with.

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J 8 6 4  
♥ 4  
♦ T 5  
♣ K T 9 4 2

♠ A 7 5 3

♥ K T 9 3

♦ K 9 6 4

♣ 5

	N	
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	S	

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

♠ T 9 2  
♥ A Q J 7 5  
♦ Q J 7  
♣ 8 6

West	North	East	South
		1♣	1♥
Pass	3♥	All Pass	

3♥ by North

**Baker Overcalls 2**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With four trumps and 12 points you have a text-book raise to 3♥. Partner had a minimum overcall though, so he passed.

**Board 3**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J

♥ 9 2

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A K Q T 2

♠ T 9

♥ A Q J 7 5

♦ A 8 7 5

♣ 6 5



♠ K 8 6 5 2

♥ T 6 4

♦ T 9 2

♣ J 7

♠ A 7 4 3

♥ K 8 3

♦ 6 3

♣ 9 8 4 3

West

North

East

South

1♣

1♥

Pass

2♥

All Pass

2♥ by South

**Baker Overcalls 3**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

With 12 points and a good suit you have a very solid overcall so you bid 1♥. Partner responds 2♥. What do you say?

Partner is showing 6-10 points and three trumps. Your hand revalues to 14 at most so you pass.

**Board 4**

East Deals

Both Vul

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

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

	N	E
W		S
	A	

♠ A  
 ♥ A T 5 2  
 ♦ A T 8 7 5  
 ♣ A K 2

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

West            North            East            South  
                   1♦              1♠

All Pass

1 ♠ by South

**Baker Overcalls 4**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You really don't like partner's ♠s, and you do have 8 points. But 8 points is not enough to be considering game, and you would have to bid your ♥s at the 2-level. All things considered it is better to pass while you still aren't doubled.

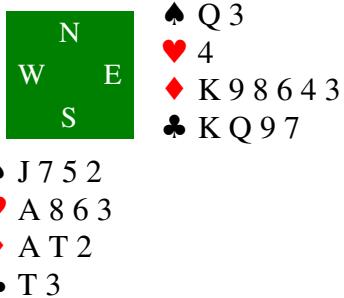
**Board 5**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K 8 6 4  
♥ T 9  
♦ 5  
♣ A J 8 4 2

♠ T 9  
♥ K Q J 7 5 2  
♦ Q J 7  
♣ 6 5



West	North	East	South
1♠	2♥	Pass	3♥

All Pass

3♥ by South

**Baker Overcalls 5**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

You overcall 2♥ and hear partner raise you to 3♥.  
What do you say now?

No matter how many times you check this hand you cannot revalue it any more than 13 points. Since partner has T at the most you reluctantly pass.

**Board 6**East Deals  
E-W Vul

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

♠ J 8 3

♥ A J 9 2

♦ T 7

♣ 9 8 3 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 6 2  
 ♥ 8 7 4  
 ♦ A Q 8 4  
 ♣ A Q T

♠ A K 9 7 5  
 ♥ K T 3  
 ♦ 9 5 3  
 ♣ K 7

West	North	East	South
2♦	2♠	1♦	1♠
All Pass			

2♠ by North

**Baker Overcalls 6**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With only 7 points you might not think you have enough to make a "free bid". But in competitive bidding situations like these, where both sides have a fit, bidding is usually better than passing. So you bid 2♠.

You might look at the Law of Total Tricks lesson for more on this subject.