

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 9

♥ 3

♦ Q 9 7 6 4 2

♣ 9 6 3

♠ K T 8

♥ A K 9 8 6 4

♦ -

♣ A K Q 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 4 3

♥ T 7

♦ A T 8 5

♣ J T 5 4

♠ A 6 5 2

♥ Q J 5 2

♦ K J 3

♣ 8 2

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

6♥ by North

**Baker Roman 6**

Your partner's 3♥ is a limit-raise, 11-12 points with ♥ support. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

What you want to know is whether partner holds the ♠ A. If you bid 4NT and he shows two Key-Cards all will be well, you will know they are the two missing Aces. But if he shows just 1 Key-Card you will be in the soup since you can't tell if that Key-Card is the useful ♠ A or the practically useless ♦ A. So you don't use RKCB, you use control-showing and bid 4♣. Partner says 4♥. What do you bid next?

Partner would have control-bid ♦ s if he had the Ace. You may not think that helps but it does since now you can bid RKCB. You bid 4NT and he answers 5♣. What is your next bid?

It was a lot of work but you have figured out that partner holds 11-12 points including one Key-Card which must be the ♠ A. It looks like the slam is a good idea so you say 6♥.

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 8 6 5 2  
 ♥ K J T 7  
 ♦ -  
 ♣ A 9 8 3

♠ J T 3

♥ Q 9 6

♦ K 9 8 7 5

♣ 7 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ -  
 ♥ A 5 4 3 2  
 ♦ Q J T 4  
 ♣ T 5 4 2

West	North	East	South
4♦	Pass	1♠	Pass
5NT	Pass	4NT	Pass
		6♠	All Pass

6 ♠ by East

**Baker Roman 7**

Your 4♦ bid is a Splinter Bid, showing opening hand strength, at least 4 ♠s, and a singleton or void in ♦s. Partner bids 4NT.

You have 2 Key-Cards, the ♠K and the ♣A. So do you bid 5♥?

No. You have two Key-Cards AND a void. So you bid 5NT. Partner bids 6♠.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6 5 2

♥ 2

♦ T 8 6 5 4

♣ A 7 4 2

♠ A T 8

♥ K 9 8 4

♦ K 9

♣ K T 6 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 7 4 3

♥ Q J 5 3

♦ 7 3 2

♣ 8 3

♠ K Q J

♥ A T 7 6

♦ A Q J

♣ Q J 9

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

All Pass

5♥ by South

**Baker Roman 8**

Your partner's 2NT opener is 20-21 points and the 3♣ bid is Stayman. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

You know of 33 points and you know of an 8-card ♥ fit. The math tells you that 6♥ should be a good slam but you might as well check Key-Cards, that's why the convention was invented. So you bid 4NT and partner answers 5♥. What do you say?

You say "Darn!" You are missing just one Key-Card, but you are also missing the trump Queen. And with partner holding only a 4-card suit that Queen might well win a trick. Knowing that at best the slam will depend on a trump finesse you pass 5♥.

**Board 4**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 7
♥ K Q 9 8 5
♦ K Q 7 4
♣ 9 8 3

♠ T 8 6

♥ 6 4 2

♦ J T 3

♣ A 6 5 4

N
W
E
S

♠ A K Q J
♥ A J T 7
♦ A 5
♣ K Q T

♠ 9 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 9 8 6 2
♣ J 7 2

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

6♥ by East

**Baker Roman 9**

With 11 points and a good suit you should make a positive response. So you bid 2♥. Partner then says 4NT. What is your bid?

The 4NT bid agrees ♥s as trump. You have one Key-Card, the ♥K, so you bid 5♣. Partner bids the ♥ slam.

**Board 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 6 4  
♥ Q T 2  
♦ 9 7 2  
♣ J T 9 5

♠ A Q J 7 5 3

♥ 6 5

♦ A 4 3

♣ 8 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 2  
♥ J 7 3  
♦ J T 6 5  
♣ A 7 4 3

♠ K T  
♥ A K 9 8 4  
♦ K Q 8  
♣ K Q 6

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

6 ♠ by South

**Baker Roman 10**

The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

Your partner has shown a minimum opening hand, but with 6 ♠s. You are happy with the 8-card trump fit but need to know about Key-Cards. So you bid 4NT. Partner answers 5♠ and it is your bid again.

Partner has two Aces and the ♠Q. That should be all he needs to make slam so you bid 6♠.