

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

West	North	East	South
	2 ♥	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by North			

You need to find out about Aces so you bid 4 NT. Partner says 6 ♦. What do you bid?

Partner has shown one Ace and a ♦ void. As to what you bid, that's easy. You have no choice now but to say 6 ♥. This is a pretty good slam, but it is not cold. Maybe East will not lead a ♣. Or maybe West will have the ♦ A.

**Deal 2**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

1  
24 10  
5

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
2 ♣	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
6 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 NT by East			

Not everybody responds to 2 ♣ openers the same way. But with 9 balanced points 2 NT is reasonable. Partner jumps to 4 ♣. What do you bid?

With 2 Aces your response is 4 ♠. Partner bids 6 NT and you pass.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5  
 ♥ J 10 8 4 2  
 ♦ 6 2  
 ♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
 3 2  
 23

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

7 NT by South

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

North

2 ♠

4 ♣

7 NT

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

2 NT

4 ♦

Pass

Interesting hand. Too bad these only come up in lessons and never at the table! You could jump right into Ace-asking but there is no rush so you say 2 ♠. Partner now rebids 2 NT. What do you say?

Now you know all about partner's hand. 22-24 points, balanced. Now ask for Aces. If you agree that 4 ♣ is Gerber here then that's what you should bid. If not, then you would have to use Blackwood. Partner answers 4 ♦. What do you say?

The 4 ♦ reply says either zero or all four. Put your money on all four and bid 7 NT.

**Deal 4**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

West

1 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

6 ♠ by West

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♣

4 ♠

5 ♦

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

With 15 points and a nice 5-card suit you respond 1 ♠. Partner jumps to 4 ♠. What do you say?

Do NOT say "Partner bid a close-out bid so I'll pass." Partner's bid means he thinks you can make 4 ♠ even though he is only counting you for 6 points. Since you have 15+ now you want to go for more. You bid 4 NT and partner answers 5 ♦. What do you say next?

Partner has 1 Ace so you can go no higher than 6. Although you can't tell for sure that slam will make, remember you used Blackwood just to be sure you weren't missing two Aces. You are not and you have enough points so you bid it. Although you can see that 6 NT would have been a great contract you had to take the safer 6 ♠.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

12  
3 2  
23

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5



**Deal 9**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5

**Deal 13**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10  
♥ A K 7 6  
♦ A 8 5  
♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2  
♥ Q 9 5  
♦ 10 9 7 3  
♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5



**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 20**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5

**Deal 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5



**Deal 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 26**  
East Deals  
Both Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 27**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7

♠ 5

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 6 2

♣ Q 10 8 4 2



♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

12  
3 2  
23

♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

**Deal 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 30**  
East Deals  
None Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5



**Deal 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 3  
♥ J 10  
♦ 10 8 7 3  
♣ K J 7 6

6  
6 8  
20

♠ 6 4 2  
♥ A Q 9 7 4 2  
♦ —  
♣ 8 5 4 2



♠ A K  
♥ K 8 5 3  
♦ K Q J 4  
♣ A 9 3

♠ Q 10 9 8 7  
♥ 6  
♦ A 9 6 5 2  
♣ Q 10

**Deal 34**  
East Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ K Q 4  
♥ K Q J 3  
♦ K Q J 5  
♣ A K

1  
24 10  
5

♠ 8 3 2  
♥ 10 7 6  
♦ 4 2  
♣ J 10 8 5 2



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

♠ A 10 7  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ A 10 8 6  
♣ Q 6 3

**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 6 2  
♣ Q 10 8 4 2

12  
3 2  
23

♠ K Q J 8 6 4 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q J 4

♣ 7



♠ A 10

♥ A K 7 6

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K J 5

♠ 9 7 2

♥ Q 9 5

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 9 6 3

**Deal 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 10 9 8 3

♥ 2

♦ A K 10 4

♣ A 7 3

4  
14 20  
2

♠ 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 9 6 4 2



♠ A Q J 2

♥ K Q J

♦ J 6

♣ K Q J 8

♠ 7

♥ 10 7 5 4 3

♦ Q 9 8 5 3

♣ 10 5