

**Board 1**  
 East Deals  
 None Vul

♠ 4 3  
 ♥ 9 6 3 2  
 ♦ T 8 7  
 ♣ J T 6 5

♠ A J T 7  
 ♥ J 7  
 ♦ Q J 9 5  
 ♣ A 8 3



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

♠ Q 9 8 5  
 ♥ K Q T 5  
 ♦ A K 3  
 ♣ 4 2

West	North	East	South
		1 ♣	Dbl
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 6  
 With 14 points, shortage, and support for the other suits SOUTH makes a Takeout Double.

NORTH has 13 points so she bids 2. This is an artificial bid, apprising SOUTH of NORTH's opening hand strength, and forcing the partnership to reach the game level.

SOUTH suggests

s as trumps.

NORTH doesn't like

s so she suggests s.

SOUTH agrees with and bids game, 4.

**Board 2**  
South Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 4  
♥ 9 6 5 2  
♦ Q 5  
♣ A 8 6 3

♠ T 6 2  
♥ A T  
♦ T 9 8 4 2  
♣ T 9 2

	N	
W		E
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♠ A K J 9 8 3  
♥ 7  
♦ A K J 3  
♣ 7 5

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

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	Pass	Dbl	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	All Pass		

4 ♠ by West

opening is passed around to EAST. He is

tempted to overcall 1 but with 18 points is a little strong for a mere overcall.

Instead, he doubles.

With 8 points WEST is not strong enough to jump. She bids 2 .

EAST now bids 2 By doubling first, then bidding his own suit,

he shows a good suit and 17+ points.

WEST raises to 4 .

**Board 3**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ T 6 3  
 ♥ T 5 3 2  
 ♦ T 3  
 ♣ T 7 4 2

♠ 8 7

♥ A 9 7 6

♦ A 6 2

♣ K 9 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 5 4 2

♥ J 4

♦ K J 9 8 5

♣ J

♠ A J 9

♥ K Q 8

♦ Q 7 4

♣ A Q 8 5

West	North	East	South
		1 ♠	1NT
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

**Baker Bidpractice/Set10 8**

SOUTH has 18 points, a balanced hand, and a good stopper in their suit. He should overcall 1NT.

For 1NT overcalls, the range is increased to 15-18 points.

NORTH bids 2 (Stayman), just as she would with a 1NT opening. When SOUTH denies holding

a 4-card Major NORTH has enough points to bid 3NT. She doesn't worry about a stopper

since SOUTH promised he had the suit controlled.

**Board 4**  
 South Deals  
 Both Vul

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

♠ K Q 9 7 3  
 ♥ T 8 5  
 ♦ T  
 ♣ 9 5 3 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ 4  
 ♥ A 9 3  
 ♦ K Q 5 4 3 2  
 ♣ A T 7

West	North	East	South
			1 ♦
Dbl	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
1NT	All Pass		

1 NT by West

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 9  
 WEST has 20 points, excellent

stoppers and a balanced hand.

She is two points too strong to overcall 1NT. Instead, she doubles.

EAST has an awful hand - but since he is forced to bid he says 1 ♠ assuming WEST wants

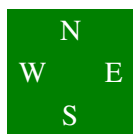
to hear his best suit.

WEST now bids 1NT, showing the balanced 19-21 point hand. EAST passes, of course.

**Board 5**  
West Deals  
N-S Vul

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

♠ Q 7 4  
♥ A Q T  
♦ K J 7 5  
♣ A K 6



♠ T 9 8 5  
♥ 9 4  
♦ T 9 6 2  
♣ 5 3 2

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

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	Dbl	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 10  
NORTH has a 19 point balanced hand, including a stop in

s.

He plans to double, then bid NT. (see Deal 9)

SOUTH has 10 points though, so he jumps to 2 .

In theory NORTH could now bid 2NT to continue the description of his hand, but he might as well

go ahead and bid 3NT instead.