

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

13  
6 8  
13

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



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

♠ 9 6 2  
♥ J 10 4 2  
♦ Q 8  
♣ K Q 9 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♣	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by North			

If you thought you couldn't bid 1 ♠ because it would have been a Reverse just think again.

A Reverse is when you bid a higher-ranking second suit at the 2-level. This is just normal bidding of suits up the line.

Partner now takes control and bids the ♠ game.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 8 3

♥ Q J

♦ K J 6

♣ J 10 9 7

8

13 14

5

*West*

1 ♠

3 NT

3 NT by East

♠ A 9 5

♥ 10 7 6 5 3

♦ A 9

♣ 8 3 2



♠ J 6 4

♥ 8 2

♦ 10 8 7 3 2

♣ A 6 4

*North*

Pass

ALL

*East*

1 ♣

1 NT

Pass

*South*

Pass

Pass

Don't bid 2 ♥. That would be a Reverse, showing at least 17 points. A 2 ♥ bid would also show longer ♣s than ♥s. Don't bid 2 ♠. That would be showing 4-card support.

So with your minimum hand you bid 1 NT which partner raises to 3 NT.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 8 6 2

♥ 7 4 2

♦ 6 3

♣ J 10 8

16

7 11

6

West

Pass

Pass

2 NT by South

♠ J 3

♥ Q 8

♦ K Q J 5

♣ A K 7 6 2



♠ K 10 9 4

♥ K 10 9 6

♦ 10 8 2

♣ 9 5

North

1 ♣

2 ♦

Pass

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

2 NT

At your first turn you bid your ♥ suit, up-the-line. Decide what you would say next, then on BID above.

You only have 7 points, but partner Reversed so you cannot pass. You need to make a bid to show your minimum, and you cannot support either of partner's suits, nor can you rebid your ♥s.

However, you also cannot bid your ♠ suit. That would be fourth-suit-forcing, and would show a game forcing hand of 9 or more points.

Instead you bid 2 NT. Partner has a bare 17 so he passes.

**Deal 4**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ J  
♥ A Q 10  
♦ A Q J 3  
♣ Q J 9 8 6

8  
17 11  
4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
3 NT by West			

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



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

♠ K Q 9 8 6 5  
♥ K 8 2  
♦ 10 5  
♣ K 10

With 18 points you have enough to make a Reverse. So you bid 2♦. Partner now says 3♠. What do you bid?

Partner's jump bid shows a 6-card suit and enough points to insist on game. You don't have ♠ support but you do have good ♥ stoppers so you bid 3 NT.