

**Deal 1**

North Deals

None Vul

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

16  
 8 11  
 5

West

Pass

2 ♠ by South

♠ A Q 6

♥ Q 7 3

♦ A 8 5

♣ K J 9 4



♠ K 10 9 7 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ 9 7 6 4

♣ Q

North

1 NT

Pass

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

2 ♠

This is a sign-off hand. If East hadn't bid you would either have bid 2 ♠, which partner would have passed, or 2 ♥, transferring partner to 2 ♠ which YOU would have passed.

With lebensohl you can do the same thing, so you bid 2 ♠ and partner passes.

**Deal 2**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 4 2  
♥ Q J 2  
♦ 10 2  
♣ 10 8 5 2

16  
3 10  
11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

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



♠ K Q J 7 3  
♥ 7 5  
♦ 5 4 3  
♣ A J 7

North

1 NT

4 ♠

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♠

Pass

Partner's bid at the 3-level is forcing to game and shows a 5-card ♠ suit.

With 3-card support you are happy to bid 4 ♠.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 4 3  
 ♥ 10 2  
 ♦ 6 4  
 ♣ J 10 9 5 2

17  
 2 10  
 11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

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



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

North

1 NT

4 ♥

East

2 ♦

Pass

South

3 ♥

Pass

With 12 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, so you bid 3 ♥. Don't think of it as a jump, just a 3-level bid showing at least 10 points and a 5+ card suit.

Partner has 3-card support and is happy to bid game in that suit.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 7 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ J 10 9 8

♣ K Q

17  
7 10  
6

West

Pass

2 ♥ by South

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ A 10 8 5

♦ A K 6

♣ J 6



♠ 8 6

♥ K Q J 7 3

♦ 5 4 3

♣ 9 7 2

North

1 NT

Pass

East

2 ♣

Pass

South

2 ♥

Partner's bid at the 2-level is a sign-off, the equivalent of the old "drop-dead" response.

So even with your great support and maximum hand, you pass.