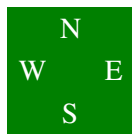


Board 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 7 2
 ♥ J 8 7 6
 ♦ 7 5 4
 ♣ K J T 9

♠ Q 9 6 5
 ♥ A Q 9 3
 ♦ K Q 8
 ♣ A 6



♠ A 8 4
 ♥ T 4 2
 ♦ J T 6 2
 ♣ Q 5 3

♠ K J T 3
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ A 9 3
 ♣ 8 7 4 2

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♥	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

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 SOUTH uses Stayman because he has a 4-card suit.

NORTH's 2

response wasn't exactly what SOUTH was hoping for,

so SOUTH decides to bid 3NT.

NORTH absolutely knows that SOUTH holds a
 4-card Major -

and also knows that it isn't

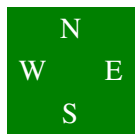
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So NORTH bids 4 .

Board 2
 East Deals
 N-S Vul

♠ J 9 7 4
 ♥ Q 8 6 2
 ♦ T 8 7 6
 ♣ 4

♠ 8 3 2
 ♥ J 5
 ♦ K 9 4
 ♣ A K 8 6 5



♠ A T 6
 ♥ A K 7 4
 ♦ A Q 5 3
 ♣ T 9

♠ K Q 5
 ♥ T 9 3
 ♦ J 2
 ♣ Q J 7 3 2

West	North	East	South
2♣	Pass	1NT	Pass
		2♥	All Pass

2♥ by East

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WEST has a rotten hand, and many players would just pass 1NT.

But WEST figures that having EAST play any 4-4 fit would be better than 1NT so

he bids 2 Stayman. This is called "Garbage Stayman", and you can see why.

EAST bids 2

and WEST passes. He would have passed either 2 or 2

also.

Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 8 5 4

♥ T 6 4

♦ 9 7

♣ A 6 5 2

♠ K J 7 3

♥ Q 9 5

♦ K T 4

♣ Q 9 3



♠ A Q 6 2

♥ K J 8

♦ A 6 2

♣ K 8 7

♠ 9

♥ A 7 3 2

♦ Q J 8 5 3

♣ J T 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

3NT

All Pass

1NT

3 NT by North

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Just having a 4-card Major doesn't mean you must automatically use Stayman.

Here NORTH has a 4-card suit, but decides not to seek a 4-4 fit because his

hand wouldn't have any ruffing values in a contract. He bids 3NT.

Notice that even though SOUTH also has four the 4-4 fit is not useful to them in

a contract because neither hand can ruff any losers.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 7
 ♥ K J 5 4
 ♦ K Q 7 3
 ♣ A 5

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

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♠ A 9 5 3
 ♥ T 9 2
 ♦ J T 4
 ♣ Q 6 2

West	North	East	South
1NT	Pass	2♥	Pass
2♠	Pass	2NT	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

4♠ by West

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EAST has an invitational (9 point) hand with five .

She bids it in the standard way - first transfer WEST to then invite

the game by bidding 2NT.

WEST, with 17 points and three accepts the game invitation and chooses 4 .