

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T 9 2
♥ 8 5 3
♦ A T 5 3
♣ K 9

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 4 2

♦ 9 7 4

♣ 8 6 5



♠ J 8 4

♥ A 6

♦ J 8 2

♣ A T 7 3 2

♠ A 5

♥ K Q T 9 7

♦ K Q 6

♣ Q J 4

West

North

East

South

All Pass

1 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 1

SOUTH has 18 points and a 5-card

suit. This is a good hand

to open 1

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NORTH has three

s which is adequate support. But NORTH only

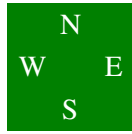
has 4 points which is not strong enough to respond.
So NORTH passes.

Board 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 7 5 3
♥ J T 8 6
♦ T 5
♣ A 7 5

♠ K 8 2
♥ K 5 4 3
♦ 8 6
♣ 9 8 3 2



♠ T
♥ Q 7 2
♦ A Q J 9 3 2
♣ T 6 4

♠ Q J 9 6 4
♥ A 9
♦ K 7 4
♣ K Q J

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
All Pass			

3 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 2

SOUTH has 17 points counting 1 extra for the fifth .

This is a middle-range hand with five s.

So he opens 1 .

NORTH only has 7 points, 6 in high cards and one more for the doubleton

.

But she does have three so she can respond 2 .

Since SOUTH is middle-range, he makes one more try by bidding 3 .

If NORTH had 9 or 10 points she would now bid 4 - but with 7 she passes.

Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K
 ♥ A 9 5 2
 ♦ Q 7 3
 ♣ K T 9 7 6

♠ Q 7 5
 ♥ K J 7 4
 ♦ J 9 4 2
 ♣ J 8



♠ T 8 3
 ♥ Q T 6
 ♦ K T 8 5
 ♣ A 3 2

♠ A J 9 6 4 2
 ♥ 8 3
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ Q 5 4

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♠	All Pass	

2 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 3

With 8 points, NORTH is not strong enough to open the bidding.

SOUTH has 13 points, barely meeting the minimum for a 1-opening. Note that the fifth and

sixth each added 1 point to his count. He opens 1 .

Although NORTH passed originally, she must respond to SOUTH's opening bid. Since she has

three she raises to 2 .

In light of NORTH's weak response SOUTH passes.

Board 4
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 7 4 3 2
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ J 7 6 2
 ♣ A Q J

♠ J 6 5
 ♥ K T 7 5
 ♦ A 8
 ♣ 9 8 6 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q T 9 8
 ♥ A
 ♦ T 9 5 4
 ♣ K T 4 3

♠ A K
 ♥ Q J 8 6 4 2
 ♦ K Q 3
 ♣ 7 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	All Pass	

4 ♥ by North

NORTH had a strong 2

raise, considering that she might

have only had 6 points. So she carries on to 4

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 4
 SOUTH has 17 points and six

s.

This is a mid-range 1

opening bid.

With 9 points, (1 for the doubleton), NORTH raises to 2

.

SOUTH's hand is worth one more try. He invites with 3

Board 5

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q J 3
♥ -
♦ T 7 6 3 2
♣ J T 6 2

♠ 7 6 4

♥ Q 7 6 3

♦ A J 4

♣ 9 8 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 9 2

♥ A K 5 4 2

♦ 8 5

♣ A K Q

♠ A 8 5

♥ J T 9 8

♦ K Q 9

♣ 7 4 3

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
All Pass			

3 ♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 5
SOUTH opens 1

with 17 points and five

s.

NORTH, with 7 points and four trumps raises to 2

.

SOUTH has a mid-range hand, good enough to invite NORTH to bid the game.

Too bad, but NORTH is too weak to accept any invitations.

Board 6

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q T 5 2
♥ A 4
♦ K Q T 7
♣ T 5 4

♠ A 6 3

♥ 9 8 5 3

♦ 8 6 4 3

♣ 9 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9

♥ Q J T 6

♦ J 2

♣ K J 8 7 6 3

♠ K J 8 7 4

♥ K 7 2

♦ A 9 5

♣ A Q

West

North

East

South

Pass

Pass

1 ♠

All Pass

1 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set2 6

NORTH has a terrible hand, and naturally passes.

SOUTH, however, has a nice 18 points and opens 1 ♠.

NORTH still has a terrible hand, and passes again.

You need at least 6 points to respond to

an opening one bid.