

**Deal 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 10 2

♥ K 3

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ J 10 7

6

9 10

15

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by North

♠ 8 3

♥ Q J 9 7 6 4

♦ K 7

♣ 9 6 4



♠ 9 7 5

♥ A 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A K 8 2

North

2 ♥

3 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

3 ♥

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♥.

In reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT you say 3 ♣, showing a minimum hand along with a poor suit. Partner says 3 ♥ and you gratefully pass.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9 2

♥ A 3

♦ J 8 5 3

♣ J 10 7

15  
8 11  
6

♠ A 7 5

♥ 8 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A K 8 2



♠ K J 6 4

♥ Q J 2

♦ Q 9 2

♣ Q 5 3

♠ 8 3

♥ K 10 9 7 6 4

♦ K 7

♣ 9 6 4

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

With four top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♥.

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♣. What do you bid next?

Partner's 3 ♣ bid shows a weak hand and a poor suit. So you reluctantly settle for 3 ♥.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9  
 ♥ K J 9 7 4  
 ♦ K J 10 2  
 ♣ Q 10 5

5  
 10 9  
 16

♠ K Q 10 8 5 4  
 ♥ 8 5  
 ♦ 7 6 4  
 ♣ 9 2



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

♠ A 7 6 3  
 ♥ Q 10 3  
 ♦ Q 9  
 ♣ J 7 4 3

West	North	East	South
	2 ♠	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 ♠ by North			

At favorable vulnerability you decided to open 2 ♠.

In reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT you say 3 ♦, showing a minimum hand along with a good suit. Partner says 3 ♠ and you pass.

**Deal 4**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 2  
 ♥ 10 7  
 ♦ Q J 8 5  
 ♣ Q J 5 3

15  
 10 7  
 8

*West*

♠ K 6

♥ A 8 5

♦ A 10 6 4

♣ A 9 8 2



♠ Q J 8 7 5 3

♥ K Q 3

♦ 9 7

♣ 10 4

*North*

♠ 10 4

♥ J 9 6 4 2

♦ K 3 2

♣ K 7 6

*East**South*

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

With three top tricks it is tempting to go straight to 4 ♠.

But you use discretion and bid an Ogust 2 NT instead. Partner responds 3 ♥. What do you bid next?

Partner's 3 ♥ bid shows a maximum hand and a poor suit. Your ♠ K should be enough help for the suit, and with three outside Aces you bid 4 ♠.

**Deal 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q  
♥ J 9 7 5 4  
♦ K J 10 2  
♣ Q 10 4

8  
9 7  
16

*West*

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ K 10 9 8 5 4

♥ K Q

♦ 9 6 4

♣ 7 5



♠ J 2

♥ A 6 2

♦ A 8 5 3

♣ A K 8 6

*North*

2 ♠

3 ♥

Pass

*East*

Pass

Pass

Pass

*South*

2 NT

4 ♠

Having opened 2 ♠, you reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT bid with 3 ♥, showing a maximum hand but with a poor suit. Partner says 4 ♠ and you pass.