

**Board 1**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 5  
♥ A J T 9 7 3  
♦ J 9  
♣ A Q J T

♠ K Q J 9 8 4

♥ 8 4

♦ Q 6 3

♣ 9 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 6 3 2

♥ 5

♦ A T 7 4 2

♣ K 6 3

♠ T 7

♥ K Q 6 2

♦ K 8 5

♣ 8 7 4 2

West

1 ♥

North

2 ♠

East

All Pass

South

2 ♠ by North

**Baker Overcalls 13**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

If you had been the dealer you would have opened 2 ♠. The situation is no different after they open so you Overcall 2 ♠. Everybody passes.

**Board 2**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T  
 ♥ 5 4 2  
 ♦ K Q 7 4 2  
 ♣ A 9 4

♠ 9 7 5

♥ K Q J 9 7

♦ 8 3

♣ K 5 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 4 2

♥ A T 8 6

♦ A J T 9

♣ J 8 3

♠ A K J 8 6 3

♥ 3

♦ 6 5

♣ Q T 7 6

West

1 ♦

Pass

North

1 ♥

2 ♠

East

Pass

All Pass

South

1 ♠

2 ♠ by North

**Baker Overcalls 14**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You don't like to take partner out of his overcalled suit without good reason. Here you have good reason. So you bid 1 ♠. Partner replies 2 ♠. What do you say next?

You expect partner to have three trumps, but he has made a minimum bid. So you take the conservative route and pass.

**Board 3**

East Deals

None Vul

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

♠ K Q J 9 7 3

♥ Q

♦ A 8 7 2

♣ T 4



♠ A 2

♥ T 7 2

♦ J 5

♣ A Q J 7 6 3

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K J 8 4

♦ K 6 3

♣ 9 5

West	North	East	South
		1 ♣	1 ♥
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	

4 ♠ by North

**Baker Overcalls 15**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

You have a nice easy decision here. You overcall 1 ♥.  
 Then partner bids 1 ♠. What do you say next?

Whether you play a change of suit as forcing or not,  
 your hand certainly qualifies as one where you should  
 make a bid. Partner doesn't really like your ♥s but  
 you are quite satisfied to play in ♠s. So you bid 2 ♠.  
 Partner jumps to 4 ♠ and that closes out the auction.

**Board 4**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6 2  
 ♥ 9 4 2  
 ♦ 9 7 4 3  
 ♣ K J 8 3

♠ K Q 8 3

♥ A 8 6 5

♦ 6 5

♣ T 7 6



♠ A 7 5 4

♥ Q J

♦ K Q 8 2

♣ 9 4 2

♠ J T 9

♥ K T 7 3

♦ A J T

♣ A Q 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

2♣

Pass

2♥

Pass

3♥

All Pass

3♥ by North

**Baker Overcalls 16**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You treat partner's 1NT Overcall the same as a 1NT Opening. You use Stayman and bid 2♣. Partner replies 2♥. What is your next bid?

You have 9 points, an invitational strength hand. You bid 3♥, inviting partner to go to game with a maximum. He declines your invitation.

**Board 5**

West Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ A J 9

♥ T 9 4

♦ K 3

♣ Q J T 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8 4

♥ K Q J

♦ A Q 9 5

♣ K 9 7 2

♠ Q T 6

♥ 8 7 6 5 3

♦ T 8 7 4

♣ 5

West

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

North

2 ♣

2NT

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♠

3NT

3 NT by South

**Baker Overcalls 17**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

You have a sound 2-level overcall. You bid 2♣ and partner replies 2♠. What is your next bid?

Partner's cue-bid obviously forces you to bid.

Partner's hand might be very distributional, but rather than just sticking to ♣s you suggest with 2NT. This guarantees you have ♠s stopped. Partner likes your suggestion and bids 3NT.

**Board 6**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 6  
♥ K 6 3  
♦ T 5 4  
♣ A K 9 3

♠ K Q J T 5

♥ Q T 7

♦ A J 3

♣ 8 7



♠ 9 4 2

♥ 8 5 4 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ 5 4 2

♠ 8 3

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 9 7

♣ Q J T 6

West

1 ♣

Pass

North

1 ♠

3NT

East

Pass

All Pass

South

2NT

3 NT by North

**Baker Overcalls 18**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Balanced hand, poor support for partner's suit, stoppers in their suit and 13 points. You couldn't get a better hand to jump to 2NT. Partner takes you to 3NT.