

Deal 1

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 7 6**♥ 5****♦ A J 10 4****♣ J 8 5 3****8
7
20
5****♠ K 10 3****♥ A 9 4 2****♦ 7 5 3****♣ 7 4 2****♠ 9 5****♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3****♦ 8 2****♣ 10 9****♠ A J 4 2****♥ J****♦ K Q 9 6****♣ A K Q 6***West**North**East**South*

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

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Pass

3 ♠ by North

You dealt this hand. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You make a simple 3 ♥ opening bid and then the fireworks start. South doubles, your partner passes and North bids 3 ♠.

Do not preempt the same hand twice. The idea of a preemptive bid is that you bid it's maximum at your first turn. If there is to any further competing on this hand partner will have to do it.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 6 3 2
 ♥ K 8
 ♦ A 9 6 4
 ♣ A 7 3

10
11 6
13

♠ A 7
 ♥ 10 9 7 4 3
 ♦ 2
 ♣ K Q J 9 4

	N		E
W		S	

♠ 4
 ♥ 6 5 2
 ♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
 ♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
 ♥ A Q J
 ♦ 5
 ♣ 10 6 2

West	North	East	South
		3♦	3♠
4♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
4♦ by East			

The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You do not have the 4 fast winners you need to raise partner to the 4-level. But you do have 4 of his trumps and 2 and a half winners. And your side doesn't have much defense against a 3♠ contract. You should raise partner to 4♦ because you think they can make 3♠. With these hands it appears they might have gone to 4♠ in which case you would have had to decide whether to continue to 5♦. More judgement would be called for, based on Vulnerability, whether you think they can make the game, etc. The Law of Total Tricks can be a help in these

competitive situations; it would lead you to 5♦.

Deal 3West Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 5

♥ 6

♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3

♣ 10 9 5

10
6 8
16

West
3♦
Pass
4♥ by South

♠ Q 10 7 2
♥ K 10 5 3 2
♦ K 5
♣ Q 8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 8
♥ 8 7 4
♦ J 9 4 2
♣ K 6 3 2

♠ K J 6 4 3
♥ A Q J 9
♦ —
♣ A J 7 4

East
4♦
Pass

South
4♥

You dealt this hand. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You open 3♦. North doubles, partner raises to 4♦, and South bids 4♥. What do you say?

You just pass. Partner's raise was probably just advancing your preempt and they got to 4♥ anyway. Sometimes preempts don't do the full job.

It is partner's decision, not yours, whether to continue to 5♦ as a sacrifice.

Deal 4
 West Deals
 None Vul

♠ 8 5 3 ♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3 ♦ 10 7 6 ♣ — 12 7 10 11	♠ A Q 10 2 ♥ 10 7 6 5 ♦ A Q ♣ 7 4 2 ♠ K J 7 ♥ K 2 ♦ K J 9 3 ♣ 10 9 6 5
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<i>West</i> 3 ♥ 3 ♥ by West	<i>North</i> Pass	<i>East</i> Pass	<i>South</i> Pass
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The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

The guidelines in the summary would have you bid 4 ♥. After all you very clearly have four quick winners.

But you also have seven quick losers in the other suits, and a trump void to boot.

Somewhere in some of these lessons there should be a guideline that says:

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Deal 5

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3
♥ 6
♦ 8 4
♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9
♥ K Q 10 5 4
♦ J 9
♣ A 7 4 3

11	7	8
14		
	Q 5	
	A J 8 3	
	♦ Q 7 6 5	
	♣ K Q 2	

N	
W	E
S	

♠ 4 2
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 10 3 2
♣ J 8 6

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	3 ♠	Pass	Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by North

The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

The fact that West opened doesn't change your hand at all. You had planned on Opening 3 ♠, now you make a Weak Jump Overcall of 3 ♠. If partner has some "stuff" you might get to a makeable contract, and if he doesn't you may keep the opponents out of a ♥ game.

This time everybody passes.

Deal 6
North Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 7 2
♥ Q 7
♦ A 5 4 2
♣ A 9 5

12
17 6
5

♠ 9 4
♥ A 8
♦ K 9 7 6
♣ K Q 8 3 2

W N E S

♠ Q
♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3
♥ 5 3
♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1♣	3♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
4♥ by East			

The bidding has been as shown. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You have four quick winners. If partner had opened 3♥ you would have bid 4♥ in the blink of an eye. His Weak Jump Overcall describes the exact same hand. So blink and bid 4♥.

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 7 6

♥ 5

♦ A J 10 4

♣ J 8 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9

♠ A J 4 2

♥ J

♦ K Q 9 6

♣ A K Q 6

7
8 5
20

Deal 8

West Deals
None Vul
♠ 8 6 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ A 9 6 4
♣ A 7 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
♥ A Q J
♦ 5
♣ 10 6 2

10
11 6
13

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 10 7 2

♥ K 10 5 3 2

♦ K 5

♣ Q 8

♠ 9 5

♥ 6

♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3

♣ 10 9 5



♠ A 8

♥ 8 7 4

♦ J 9 4 2

♣ K 6 3 2

10

6 8

16

♠ K J 6 4 3

♥ A Q J 9

♦ —

♣ A J 7 4

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A Q 10 2

♥ 10 7 6 5

♦ A Q

♣ 7 4 2

♠ 8 5 3

♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3

♦ 10 7 6

♣ —

W N E S

♠ 9 6 4

♥ —

♦ 8 5 4 2

♣ A K Q J 8 3

12
7 10
11

♠ K J 7

♥ K 2

♦ K J 9 3

♣ 10 9 6 5

Deal 11 ♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3

South Deals ♥ 6

None Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9

♥ K Q 10 5 4

♦ J 9

♣ A 7 4 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 2

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 8 6

♠ Q 5

♥ A J 8 3

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ K Q 2

11 7 8
14

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 9 4

♥ A 8

♦ K 9 7 6

♣ K Q 8 3 2

♠ A K 7 2

♥ Q 7

♦ A 5 4 2

♣ A 9 5

W N E S

♠ Q

♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2

♦ 10 8

♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3

♥ 5 3

♦ Q J 3

♣ J 10

12
17 6
5

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 7 6

♥ 5

♦ A J 10 4

♣ J 8 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9

♠ A J 4 2

♥ J

♦ K Q 9 6

♣ A K Q 6

7
8 5
20

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7
♥ 10 9 7 4 3
♦ 2
♣ K Q J 9 4

♠ 8 6 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ A 9 6 4
♣ A 7 3

10
11 **6**
13

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
♥ A Q J
♦ 5
♣ 10 6 2

Deal 15 ♠ Q 10 7 2
South Deals ♥ K 10 5 3 2
N-S Vul ♦ K 5
 ♣ Q 8

♠ 9 5 ♠ A 8
♥ 6 ♥ 8 7 4
♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3 ♦ J 9 4 2
♣ 10 9 5 ♣ K 6 3 2

10
6 8
16

N
W E
S

♠ K J 6 4 3
♥ A Q J 9
♦ —
♣ A J 7 4

Deal 16 ♠ A Q 10 2
West Deals ♥ 10 7 6 5
E-W Vul ♦ A Q
 ♣ 7 4 2

♠ 8 5 3 ♠ 9 6 4
♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3 N
♦ 10 7 6 W E
♣ — S
 ♦ 8 5 4 2
 ♣ A K Q J 8 3

12
7 10
11
♠ K J 7
♥ K 2
♦ K J 9 3
♣ 10 9 6 5

Deal 17 ♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3

North Deals ♥ 6

None Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9

♥ K Q 10 5 4

♦ J 9

♣ A 7 4 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 2

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 8 6

♠ Q 5

♥ A J 8 3

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ K Q 2

11 7 8
14

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A K 7 2

♥ Q 7

♦ A 5 4 2

♣ A 9 5

♠ 9 4

♥ A 8

♦ K 9 7 6

♣ K Q 8 3 2

W N E S

♠ Q

♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2

♦ 10 8

♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3

♥ 5 3

♦ Q J 3

♣ J 10

12
17 6
5

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 7 6

♥ 5

♦ A J 10 4

♣ J 8 5 3

N
W E
S

♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9

♠ A J 4 2

♥ J

♦ K Q 9 6

♣ A K Q 6

7
8 5
20

Deal 20

West Deals
Both Vul

♠ A 7
♥ 10 9 7 4 3
♦ 2
♣ K Q J 9 4

♠ 8 6 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ A 9 6 4
♣ A 7 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
♥ A Q J
♦ 5
♣ 10 6 2

10
11 6
13

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 10 7 2

♥ K 10 5 3 2

♦ K 5

♣ Q 8

♠ 9 5

♥ 6

♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3

♣ 10 9 5



♠ A 8

♥ 8 7 4

♦ J 9 4 2

♣ K 6 3 2

10

6 8

16

♠ K J 6 4 3

♥ A Q J 9

♦ —

♣ A J 7 4

Deal 22 ♠ A Q 10 2
East Deals ♥ 10 7 6 5
E-W Vul ♦ A Q
 ♣ 7 4 2

♠ 8 5 3
♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3
♦ 10 7 6
♣ —

12
7 10
11

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6 4
♥ —
♦ 8 5 4 2
♣ A K Q J 8 3

♠ K J 7
♥ K 2
♦ K J 9 3
♣ 10 9 6 5

Deal 23 ♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3

South Deals ♥ 6

Both Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9

♥ K Q 10 5 4

♦ J 9

♣ A 7 4 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 2

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 8 6

♠ Q 5

♥ A J 8 3

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ K Q 2

11 7 8
14

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 4
♥ A 8
♦ K 9 7 6
♣ K Q 8 3 2

♠ A K 7 2
♥ Q 7
♦ A 5 4 2
♣ A 9 5

12
17 **6**
 5

N
W E
S

♠ Q
♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3
♥ 5 3
♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 7 6

♥ 5

♦ A J 10 4

♣ J 8 5 3



♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9

♠ A J 4 2

♥ J

♦ K Q 9 6

♣ A K Q 6

7
8 5
20

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 7
♥ 10 9 7 4 3
♦ 2
♣ K Q J 9 4

♠ 8 6 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ A 9 6 4
♣ A 7 3

10
11 **6**
13

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
♥ A Q J
♦ 5
♣ 10 6 2

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 7 2

♥ K 10 5 3 2

♦ K 5

♣ Q 8

♠ 9 5

♥ 6

♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3

♣ 10 9 5



♠ A 8

♥ 8 7 4

♦ J 9 4 2

♣ K 6 3 2

10

6 8

16

♠ K J 6 4 3

♥ A Q J 9

♦ —

♣ A J 7 4

Deal 28

West Deals

♦ A Q 10 2

N-S Vul

♥ 10 7 6 5

♦ A Q

♣ 7 4 2

♠ 8 5 3

♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3

♦ 10 7 6

♣ —

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6 4

♥ —

♦ 8 5 4 2

♣ A K Q J 8 3

12
7 10
11

♠ K J 7

♥ K 2

♦ K J 9 3

♣ 10 9 6 5

Deal 29 ♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3

North Deals ♥ 6

Both Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9

♥ K Q 10 5 4

♦ J 9

♣ A 7 4 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4 2

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 8 6

♠ Q 5

♥ A J 8 3

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ K Q 2

11 7 8
14

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 4
♥ A 8
♦ K 9 7 6
♣ K Q 8 3 2

♠ A K 7 2
♥ Q 7
♦ A 5 4 2
♣ A 9 5

12
17 **6**
 5

N
W E
S

♠ Q
♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3
♥ 5 3
♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 10 3

♥ A 9 4 2

♦ 7 5 3

♣ 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 7 6

♥ 5

♦ A J 10 4

♣ J 8 5 3

W N E S

♠ 9 5

♥ K Q 10 8 7 6 3

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9

7
8 5
20

♠ A J 4 2

♥ J

♦ K Q 9 6

♣ A K Q 6

Deal 32

West Deals
E-W Vul
♠ 8 6 3 2
♥ K 8
♦ A 9 6 4
♣ A 7 3

N
W E
S

♠ 4
♥ 6 5 2
♦ K Q J 10 8 7 3
♣ 8 5

♠ K Q J 10 9 5
♥ A Q J
♦ 5
♣ 10 6 2

10
11 6
13

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 7 2

♥ K 10 5 3 2

♦ K 5

♣ Q 8

♠ 9 5

♥ 6

♦ A Q 10 8 7 6 3

♣ 10 9 5



♠ A 8

♥ 8 7 4

♦ J 9 4 2

♣ K 6 3 2

10

6 8

16

♠ K J 6 4 3

♥ A Q J 9

♦ —

♣ A J 7 4

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A Q 10 2

♥ 10 7 6 5

♦ A Q

♣ 7 4 2

♠ 8 5 3

♥ A Q J 9 8 4 3

♦ 10 7 6

♣ —

W N E S

♠ 9 6 4

♥ —

♦ 8 5 4 2

♣ A K Q J 8 3

♠ K J 7

♥ K 2

♦ K J 9 3

♣ 10 9 6 5

12
7 10
11

Deal 35 ♠ A K 10 8 7 6 3

South Deals ♥ 6

E-W Vul ♦ 8 4

♣ 10 9 5

♠ J 9

♥ K Q 10 5 4

♦ J 9

♣ A 7 4 3

N
W S E

♠ 4 2

♥ 9 7 2

♦ A K 10 3 2

♣ J 8 6

♠ Q 5

♥ A J 8 3

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ K Q 2

11 7 8
14

Deal 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 9 4
♥ A 8
♦ K 9 7 6
♣ K Q 8 3 2

♠ A K 7 2
♥ Q 7
♦ A 5 4 2
♣ A 9 5

12
17 **6**
 5

N
W E
S

♠ Q
♥ K J 10 9 6 4 2
♦ 10 8
♣ 7 6 4

♠ J 10 8 6 5 3
♥ 5 3
♦ Q J 3
♣ J 10