

**Deal 1**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 10 8 6  
♥ 9 7  
♦ 10 8 3  
♣ J 9 8 4

**26**  
**2 3**  
**9**

W	N	E	S

♠ 4 3  
♥ A K Q J  
♦ A K  
♣ A K Q 5 2

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

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			2 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	7 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			

7 NT by North  
Lead: ♦ Q

South's 3 NT rebid shows 6 ♠s headed by A K Q and nothing else. North is to play 7 NT. East leads the ♦ Q.

Win the ♦ K and (IMPORTANT!) test the ♣s first by playing ♣ A K Q. Darn. East discards a ♦ on the ♣ Q.

Play your 4 ♥ winner's next. East follows suit while West follows twice, then discards 2 ♦s.

Play your ♦ A. West must give up.

If he throws the ♣ J, you win. But if he throws a ♠ you also win. This is what is called a Win-Win bridge play.

**Deal 2**East Deals  
None Vul

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

3 17  
 5  
 15

West  
 Pass  
 Pass  
 Pass  
 6 NT by South  
 Lead: ♦ J

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



♠ 9 7 4 2  
 ♥ J 4  
 ♦ A 6 5 2  
 ♣ 9 5 2

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	6 NT	Pass	Pass

South is to play 6 NT. West leads the ♦ J. East takes the ♦ A and returns the ♦ 2.

With all those high ♦s falling on the first two tricks dummy's ♦ 9 has become a threat against West. If it should happen that West also holds the only ♥ stopper you can squeeze him in the red suits.

On the last 2 ♣s West discards a ♦ and a ♥.

You discard a small ♥ from dummy while West follows suit three times.

Play your ♠J and watch what West discards.

If he holds on to the ♦T you will discard dummy's useless ♦ 9 and hope the ♥s all fall under the ♥ A K.

If he discards the ♦T then you throw dummy's small ♥ and dummy wins the last three tricks.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

**Deal 4**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

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

W	N
S	E

<b>16</b>	♠ K 7
<b>3 10</b>	♥ A Q J 7 5 2
<b>11</b>	♦ J 5
	♣ 7 6 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by South			
Lead: ♠ Q			

South is to play 6 ♥. West leads the ♠ Q. East wins the ♠ A and plays the ♦ K.

In this hand dummy's fourth ♣ is an obvious Threat, so you should ask yourself if you can find another Threat for when ♣s don't split 3-3. Another thing you have probably noticed is that although 3-3 splits happen about 40% of the time in real life, they NEVER happen in these pages!

Play 5 ♥ winners and the ♠ K.

Play your ♥ 2 and dump dummy's ♦ 6.

East has no answer.