

**Deal 1**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8 6 2

♥ A K 9 3

♦ 9 7

♣ A 8 2

♠ —

♥ J 10 7 2

♦ 8 6 2

♣ K Q 10 9 5 4



♠ J 10 5 4

♥ Q 8

♦ A K J 10 5 4

♣ J

♠ A K 9 7 3

♥ 6 5 4

♦ Q 3

♣ 7 6 3

13  
6 12  
9

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

Pass

2 ♦

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 ♠

2 ♠ by South

Compare this to Deal 10.

NORTH has the strength for a raise to game in ♠<sup>TM</sup>s, but this could be dangerous since SOUTH

has overcalled rather than opened. Instead, NORTH shows her strength with a Support Cue-bid.

SOUTH has very minimal overcall so he just bids 2♠<sup>TM</sup> which NORTH passes.

**Deal 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K J 9 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 7 6 3

♣ J 7 4

11  
9 0  
20

♠ Q 7 5

♥ Q J 9 3

♦ A 10 8 2

♣ Q 8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8

♥ A K 10 8 7

♦ K Q J 4

♣ A K 6

♠ 10 6 4 2

♥ 4 2

♦ 9 5

♣ 10 9 5 3 2

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

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

2 ♠

5 ♦

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♥

4 NT

6 ♥

SOUTH has a maximum 1

♠

opening bid.

NORTH would have made a Limit Raise in

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s, but after WEST's overcall she

makes a Support Cue-bid instead.

SOUTH thinks there may be a slam and bids 4 NT Blackwood to check for Aces. When NORTH admits to one Ace

SOUTH bids the slam.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 8 5 4

♥ 8 4

♦ K 10 3

♣ Q 7 5

9  
9 8  
14

♠ 6 2

♥ A Q J 3

♦ J 8 4

♣ J 9 8 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q J 7

♥ 10 7

♦ A 9 7 6

♣ A 10 4

♠ 10 3

♥ K 9 6 5 2

♦ Q 5 2

♣ K 6 3

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

1 NT by South

Dbl

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♦

1 NT

NORTH has 9 points a a

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suit - good enough to make a

Negative Double over WEST's 1â™ overcall.

But SOUTH doesn't have

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s, she has â™ s and

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s, so she bids 1 NT to show

her â™ stopper and a minimum opener.

NORTH should pass.

**Deal 4**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ Q 3 2

♣ A Q J 6 5 3

13  
9 11  
7

♠ Q 9 7

♥ J 8 7

♦ A K 8 6

♣ K 10 4

♠ A K 6 4 2

♥ 9 3

♦ 10 9 7

♣ 9 8 2



♠ J 10 8

♥ A K Q 10 5 2

♦ J 5 4

♣ 7

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

1 ♦

1 ♥

1 ♠

Pass

2 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 ♠ by South

With five ♠s SOUTH bids the suit rather than making a negative double.

NORTH knows this shows a 5-card suit so he can support with only three ♠s.

SOUTH doesn't have anything extra so she passes 2♠.

**Deal 5**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 8

♥ J 6 4

♦ A 5

♣ K Q J 10 9 8

13

13 1

13

West

2 ♣

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ K 9 6 2

♥ A Q 5 3

♦ 8 4

♣ A 6 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J 7

♥ K 9 8 7

♦ K Q 7 6

♣ 5 4

North

Dbl

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♦

2 ♥

Pass

♠ 10 5 4 3

♥ 10 2

♦ J 10 9 3 2

♣ 7 3

NORTH has both Majors and planned on bidding 1

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first, (up-the-line).

After WEST's overcall, NORTH makes a Negative Double, showing both Majors and at least 10 points to

make a 2-level Negative Double.

SOUTH bids 2

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, showing a 4-card suit and minimum opening hand. Notice

that this is not a Reverse by SOUTH, showing extra strength. She is not really bidding

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s on her own, she is supporting partner's suit.

NORTH has 13 points so he bids 4

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