

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 10 9 7 2
♥ 10 9
♦ Q J
♣ 8 6 4 3

12
7 10
11

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by North

♠ 8 6 3
♥ A K Q 7 2
♦ K 6
♣ 10 9 5



♠ Q J
♥ J 8 5 4
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ Q J 7

North

1 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

Pass

3 ♥

SOUTH has 11 points and she should pass.

NORTH has a minimum 1

♠

opening, 13 points and five trumps.

SOUTH, with 4-card trump support, jumps to 3

♠

.

(This is called a Limit Raise.)

A Limit Raise is an invitational bid, but NORTH can add and he knows the total

points will

be either 24 or 25. So he passes 3

♠

.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ 10 9 6
♦ J 4
♣ K Q 9 8 3

6
10 11
13

West

Pass

Pass

2 ♠ by South

♠ J 9 6 2
♥ K Q 7 5
♦ 8 3
♣ 10 7 4



♠ K Q 10 7 3
♥ A 4 2
♦ 9 7 5
♣ A 6

North

2 ♠

East

Pass

South

1 ♠

Pass

SOUTH has a normal 1st opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2nd.

SOUTH passes, knowing he is not missing a game contract. NORTH can have a maximum of 10 points, which would

only reach 24 points when added to his 14.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 8
 ♥ 10 9 6
 ♦ J 5
 ♣ K Q 10 8 5

15
 7 7
 11

♠ A Q 7 5 3
 ♥ K Q
 ♦ A 8 7 6
 ♣ 9 4



♠ K 6 4 2
 ♥ J 8 5
 ♦ K 3 2
 ♣ A 6 2

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

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

With a 5-card ♠ suit and 16 points NORTH should open 1♠.

SOUTH has 11 points and four ♠s. So even though he has a balanced hand,

he jumps to 3♠, a Limit Raise.

NORTH adds: her 16 plus SOUTH's 11/12 equals a game, 4♠.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 3 2
♥ Q J 9
♦ J 7 3
♣ A 8 7 4

11
8 5
16

West

North

East

South

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠

4 ♠ by South

♠ A K Q 7

♥ 7 4 3

♦ 8 5 2

♣ Q 9 5



♠ J 10 8 6 4

♥ A 6

♦ A K 6

♣ K J 3

♠ 5

♥ K 10 8 5 2

♦ Q 10 9 4

♣ 10 6 2

SOUTH has the type of 5-card Major hand that many players would open 1 NT.

He has 17 points with most of them OUTSIDE the Major suit. But, many others

would disagree so for this Deal SOUTH will open 1st .

NORTH has 11 points and excellent (is that strong enough?) st support.

So she naturally makes a Limit Raise of 3rd .

SOUTH adds the points and ignores the fact that his st suit is Jack high.

He bids 4th .