

**Deal 1**  
South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 5  
♥ 10 7 5  
♦ K Q 9 3  
♣ A 9 7 6

♠ K 8 7 3  
♥ 9 2  
♦ J 8 7 4 2  
♣ 10 3

N  
W E  
S

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

♠ —  
♥ A K Q J 8 6 4 3  
♦ A 5  
♣ Q J 4

West      North      East      South

Pass      2 ♦      Pass      2 ♠  
Pass      2 NT      Pass      4 ♥  
Pass      Pass      Pass

4 ♥ by South

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

You only have 20 points, but you have 9 playing tricks. You have two choices, open 4 ♥ or open 2 ♣. Usually 4 ♥ would show a slightly weaker hand than this, so you bid 2 ♣. Partner responds 2 ♦. What do you bid next?

Of course you bid your 8-card suit. But no jumping, just bid 2 ♥. Partner now says 2 NT. What do you bid next?

Partner has between 3 and 7 points. Somewhere in those points might be the one trick you need, but you don't have any scientific way of finding out. So just bid 4 ♥ and hope.(There it is, the ♣T.)

**Deal 2**  
South Deals  
None Vul

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

6  
8 5  
21

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

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

♠ A K 4  
♥ A Q 10 8 6  
♦ K 2  
♣ K Q 10

West      North      East      South  
Pass      2 ♦      Pass      2 ♣  
Pass      3 ♦      Pass      3 NT  
Pass      Pass      Pass

3 NT by South

Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

With 7 points you must bid a Negative 2 ♦. Partner now bids 2 ♥. What is your bid?

For someone who made an initial Negative response you have quite a good hand. You can't support partner's ♥s (yet) but you consider jumping to 3 NT. All in all it is better to just describe your hand with a 3 ♦ bid, then wait and see what partner says. You don't have to wait long since he bids 3 NT which you pass.

**Deal 3**South Deals  
None Vul

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

10 3  
 6  
 21

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

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

West      North      East      South

2 ♣

Pass      2 ♦  
 Pass      4 ♠  
 Pass  
 4 ♠ by South

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

With 22 points you should open 2♣. Partner responds 2♦. What do you bid next?

You have 22 points and 5-card Major suit. Your rebid is therefore 2♠. Partner raises to 4♠. His jump to game shows a weaker hand than a 3♠ bid would so you pass.

**Deal 4**  
South Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 3 2  
♥ 9 4  
♦ J 9 6 2  
♣ Q 8 4 2

6  
4 7  
23

N  
W E  
S

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

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

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass	4 ♥ by South		

Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You have 6 points and bid a Negative 2 ♦. Partner now bids 2 NT. What is your bid?

Partner has a balanced 22-24 points. With your 6 you want to be in game, but which game; 3 NT, 4 ♥ or 4 ♠? You can't answer that question unless you know if partner has a 4-card Major suit. So you bid 3 ♣, which is Stayman in this case. Partner replies 3 ♥. What do you say?

Knowing of the 4-4 fit you bid 4 ♥. By the way: Partner knew your 3 ♣ bid was not the Second Negative because you don't use Second Negative following a 2 NT rebid, you just pass.