

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10
♥ J 9 4
♦ 10 8 5 2
♣ A 10 4 2

16
7 5
12

♠ A J 8 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

	N	
W	E	
	S	

♠ —
♥ 10 8 5 3 2
♦ A 9 7 6 3
♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2
♥ K 6
♦ J 4
♣ K Q 5 3

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by North

It is your bid.

When partner opens 1 ♠ you have a pretty normal Jacoby 2 NT response. He next says 3 ♠. What do you bid?

Your partner has a better than minimum hand with 6 ♠s. However, you have an average hand with no controls to show so you use the Principle of Fast Arrival and bid 4 ♠. Everyone passes.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 3
♥ K J 9 5
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 9 7

5
17 13
5

♠ J 9 5 2
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 5 2
♣ 8 4 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A Q 10 8 3
♦ 8 7
♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6
♥ 7 2
♦ 10 9 4
♣ A J 10 5 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥		Pass
2 NT	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

5 ♥ by East

It is your bid.

Partner's bid is game forcing. With a bare minimum, no singletons, you go ahead and sign off in game. Partner then says 4 ♠. What do you bid next?

Partner is definitely showing slam interest. If you had a first round control in either Minor suit you would bid it now. But you don't. So you sign off again, this time at 5 ♥. Partner finally gives up on the idea of slam and passes.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

♠ K Q J 4 2

♥ —

♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

West North East South

1 ♠

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

Pass

5 ♣

6 ♣

6 ♠ by South

It is your bid.

You want to force partner to game while you describe your hand. So you make a Splinter Bid of 4 ♥. Partner replies 5 ♣. What do you bid next?

Partner has the ♣ A. Good. You are pretty worried about ♦s and also your 11 high card points. You are tempted to just sign off at 5 ♠ but you shouldn't. You can make a control-bid below the 5 ♠ level. So you bid 5 ♥. This tells partner that your Splinter must have been a ♥ void. Partner bids 6 ♠.

Deal 4

West Deals	♠ 2		
None Vul	♥ J 10 8 5 3 2		
	♦ 8 7 6 5 3		
	♣ 5		
♠ A J 10 8 7	♠ K Q 6 4 3		
♥ A Q	♥ 7 6		
♦ J 4	♦ A K Q		
♣ A 10 8 3	♣ K Q J		
	♠ 9 5		
16 20	♥ K 9 4		
3	♦ 10 9 2		
	♣ 9 7 6 4 2		
West	North	East	South
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	7 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		
7 ♠ by West			

It is your bid.

With 17 points you need to indicate a better than minimum opening. You have no singletons and just a 5-card trump suit so you bid 3 NT. Partner says 4 ♦ and it is your bid again.

Partner's 4 ♦ bid shows first round control (surely the Ace). You bid 4 ♥, showing your first round control. Partner now says 4 NT. What do you bid?

You are being Blackwooded, and with three Aces you reply 5 ♠. That was apparently just what East wanted to hear, so he bid 7 ♠.

Deal 5North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 5
♥ 9
♦ 10 9 8 5 2
♣ A J 8 6 4

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6 9

W	N
S	E

♠ 7 4 3
♥ A 10 8 5 2
♦ K J
♣ K Q 9

♠ A K Q 10 8 2
♥ 7 6 4
♦ 3
♣ 7 5 3

♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♥ by North

It is your bid.

You were all set to give a Jacoby 2 NT response when East stuck in his 1 ♠ overcall. Now you can't because Jacoby is off after opponents interfere. Fortunately you have another bid at your disposal. You say 2 ♠, showing good ♥s and a limit raise or better. Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say now?

Partner didn't have enough to bid game, not knowing if you had more than 11 points. But you know you have opening hand so you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 6East Deals
E-W Vul

♠ Q 10
♥ J 9 4
♦ 10 8 5 2
♣ A 10 4 2

16
7 5
12

♠ A J 8 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2
♦ A 9 7 6 3
♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

5
17 13
5

Deal 8 ♠ K Q J 4 2

West Deals

♥ —

None Vul

♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

11
9 6
14

Deal 9

♠ 2

North Deals ♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

E-W Vul ♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3



♠ K Q 6 4 3

♥ 7 6

♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

**16 1
3 20**

♠ 9 5
♥ K 9 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ 9 7 6 4 2

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2

♥ 7 6 4

♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

Deal 11

South Deals ♠ A J 8 7 6 3

None Vul ♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 10

♥ J 9 4

♦ 10 8 5 2

♣ A 10 4 2



♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 6 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

16
7 5
12

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

5
17 13
5

Deal 13 ♠ K Q J 4 2

North Deals ♥ —

Both Vul ♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

11
9 6
14

Deal 14

East Deals	♠ 2
None Vul	♥ J 10 8 5 3 2
	♦ 8 7 6 5 3
	♣ 5
♠ A J 10 8 7	♠ K Q 6 4 3
♥ A Q	♥ 7 6
♦ J 4	♦ A K Q
♣ A 10 8 3	♣ K Q J
	♠ 9 5
16 20	♥ K 9 4
3	♦ 10 9 2
	♣ 9 7 6 4 2

N
W E
S

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

W N E S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2

♥ 7 6 4

♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A J 8 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 10

♥ J 9 4

♦ 10 8 5 2

♣ A 10 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 6 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

16
7 5
12

Deal 17

North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 5 2
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 5 2
♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3
♥ K J 9 5
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 9 7

5
17 13
5

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A Q 10 8 3
♦ 8 7
♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6
♥ 7 2
♦ 10 9 4
♣ A J 10 5 2

Deal 18 ♠ K Q J 4 2

East Deals ♥ —

N-S Vul ♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

W N
S E

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

11

9 6

14

Deal 19

♠ 2

South Deals ♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

E-W Vul ♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3



♠ K Q 6 4 3

♥ 7 6

♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

**16 1
3 20**

♠ 9 5
♥ K 9 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ 9 7 6 4 2

Deal 20

West Deals
Both Vul

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2

♥ 7 6 4

♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12

♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

Deal 21

North Deals ♠ A J 8 7 6 3

N-S Vul ♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 10

♥ J 9 4

♦ 10 8 5 2

♣ A 10 4 2



♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 6 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

16
7 5
12

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

5
17 13
5

Deal 23 ♠ K Q J 4 2

South Deals ♥ —

Both Vul ♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

11
9 6
14

Deal 24

West Deals	♠ 2
None Vul	♥ J 10 8 5 3 2
	♦ 8 7 6 5 3
	♣ 5
♠ A J 10 8 7	♠ K Q 6 4 3
♥ A Q	♥ 7 6
♦ J 4	♦ A K Q
♣ A 10 8 3	♣ K Q J
	♠ 9 5
16 20	♥ K 9 4
3	♦ 10 9 2
	♣ 9 7 6 4 2

N
W E
S

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2

♥ 7 6 4

♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A J 8 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 10

♥ J 9 4

♦ 10 8 5 2

♣ A 10 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 6 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

16
7 5
12

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

5
17 13
5

Deal 28 ♠ K Q J 4 2

West Deals ♥ —

N-S Vul ♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

W N
S E

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

9 11
14 6

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 29

♠ 2

North Deals ♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

Both Vul ♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3



♠ K Q 6 4 3

♥ 7 6

♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

**16 1
3 20**

♠ 9 5
♥ K 9 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ 9 7 6 4 2

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 4 3
♥ A 10 8 5 2
♦ K J
♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5
♥ 9
♦ 10 9 8 5 2
♣ A J 8 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2
♥ 7 6 4
♦ 3
♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12
♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A J 8 7 6 3

♥ A Q 7

♦ K Q

♣ 8 7

♠ Q 10

♥ J 9 4

♦ 10 8 5 2

♣ A 10 4 2



♠ —

♥ 10 8 5 3 2

♦ A 9 7 6 3

♣ J 9 6

♠ K 9 5 4 2

♥ K 6

♦ J 4

♣ K Q 5 3

16
7 5
12

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

5
17 13
5

Deal 33 ♠ K Q J 4 2

North Deals ♥ —

None Vul ♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 6

♥ A J 10 7 4 3

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

N
W E
S

♠ 10

♥ K Q 8 6 2

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3

♥ 9 5

♦ K Q J 10

♣ A

11
9 6
14

Deal 34East Deals
N-S Vul

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3



♠ K Q 6 4 3

♥ 7 6

♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

16 1
 20
 3

♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

Deal 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

N
W E
S

♠ A K Q 10 8 2

♥ 7 6 4

♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

13
6 9
12♠ 9 6
♥ K Q J 3
♦ A Q 7 6 4
♣ 10 2