

**Deal 1**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

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



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

15  
7 4  
14

♠ Q 10 8 6  
♥ —  
♦ K Q J 10  
♣ K Q J 10 8

| West         | North | East | South |
|--------------|-------|------|-------|
|              |       |      | 1 ♣   |
| Pass         | 1 ♠   | Pass | 3 ♠   |
| Pass         | 4 NT  | Pass | 5 ♣   |
| Pass         | 5 ♠   | Pass | Pass  |
| Pass         |       |      |       |
| 5 ♠ by North |       |      |       |

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

You have a very big hand. But there is no need to start jumping before you know whether you have a fit. So just bid 1 ♠, partner cannot pass this bid.

Partner now surprises you with a jump to 3 ♠!. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has 16 and you have more than that. Slam appears certain, by why not check for Aces? So you bid 4 NT and partner answers 5 ♣. What do you say next?

You probably say "Oh Darn!" or perhaps something less printable. But then you just sign off at 5 ♠.

**Deal 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 5 4 2

♥ Q J 9 6 3

♦ 8

♣ 5 3

8  
8 6  
18

♠ K 10 6

♥ 7 5

♦ K Q 9 5 3

♣ 9 7 4



♠ Q 8 7 3

♥ 10 4 2

♦ 7 2

♣ A 10 8 6

♠ 9

♥ A K 8

♦ A J 10 6 4

♣ K Q J 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

2♦

Pass

1♦

Pass

5♦

Pass

4♦

Pass

5♦ by South

Pass

The bidding is shown. Decide what you would say, then BID.

That is great support, but always remember when supporting a Minor that partner might have only 3 of them. So you bid 2♦. Partner jumps to 4♦. What do you bid?

You were cautious with your first bid, but that is over now. Partner didn't open with a 3-card suit, he really has ♦s. He bypassed 3NT in a flash, so he has no interest in playing anywhere but a ♦ contract. He invites you to bid game if you have something extra above the 6 points you already promised. You have a lot more than that, so you bid 5♦.