

**Board 1**

West Deals

None Vul

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

♠ 5 3

♥ A K T 8 4

♦ K 6 3

♣ A 5 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 8 2

♥ J 6 2

♦ J 8 7 2

♣ Q 8 3

♠ A J 7 6

♥ Q 9 7 3

♦ A 5 4

♣ 9 2

West

1 ♣

Pass

North

1 ♥

4 ♥

East

Pass

All Pass

South

3 ♥

4 ♥ by North

**Baker Overcalls 9**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

Nice hand. But not nice enough to double, then bid your ♥s. So you overcall 1 ♥. Partner says 3 ♥. It is your bid.

The jump raise promises 11-14 points. Your 17 plus partner's 11 or so takes you right up to game. You bid 4 ♥.

**Board 2**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 8 6 3  
♥ A 7 6 4  
♦ K Q  
♣ T 6

♠ 7 2

♥ Q 8

♦ J 5 2

♣ A K J 9 7 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J T 4

♥ J 9 3

♦ A 8 6 3

♣ 8 5 4

♠ A K 5

♥ K T 5 2

♦ T 9 7 4

♣ Q 3

West

1 ♠

Pass

North

2 ♣

3NT

East

Pass

All Pass

South

2NT

3 NT by North

**Baker Overcalls 10**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner has at least 11 points for his 2-level overcall. He might have as many as 16. You have a perfect invitational hand including two sure stoppers in their suit. So you bid 2NT. Partner raises to 3NT and you get to play it there.

**Board 3**

West Deals

E-W Vul

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

♠ K Q 9

♥ A 8 4

♦ A T 5

♣ K Q 9 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 8 3 2

♥ K J T 6

♦ J 9 3

♣ T 8

♠ T 7 5

♥ 7 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 4 2

♣ 7 6

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	1NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

**Baker Overcalls 11**

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid.

This hand would be one point too strong to Open 1NT, but it fits the 15-18 range to Overcall 1NT. Partner responds 2 ♣. What do you bid?

Don't get your systems crossed. Partner did not make a cue-bid, he is using Stayman. Since you have no 4-card Major suit you answer 2 ♦. Partner now says 2NT and the ball is in your court.

This is just a plain old 1NT/Stayman sequence. Partner is inviting, and since you have 18 points you accept.

**Board 4**  
East Deals  
Both Vul

♠ 4  
♥ T 9 4 3  
♦ Q J 4 3  
♣ J 7 4 2

♠ Q 8 6 3  
♥ A K Q 7  
♦ 6 5  
♣ K T 6



♠ J 9 2  
♥ 8 5 2  
♦ A K T 8  
♣ A 9 5  
♠ A K T 7 5  
♥ J 6  
♦ 9 7 2  
♣ Q 8 3

West	North	East	South
		1 ♦	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

Baker Overcalls 12  
The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Wow! Great ♠ support and 15 points. You cue-bid 2 ♦, forcing partner to bid. He says 2 ♠. Your turn.

Partner has not made a strong bid and it is possible that T tricks will be too high. But it is pretty likely that game can be made so you bid it. Be bold!