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Deal 1

West Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 4
♥ Q 9 5
♦ K Q 6 2
♣ K 8 3

♠ J 9 3 2
♥ 10 8 6
♦ 9 8
♣ A 10 5 4



♠ 7 6 5
♥ A 7 4 2
♦ 10 7 4 3
♣ 9 6

15
5 4
16

♠ A 10 8
♥ K J 3
♦ A J 5
♣ Q J 7 2

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

Deal 2

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 7
♥ A 10 4 2
♦ A 5 2
♣ Q 8 4 3

9
10 6
15

♠ 10 8 4
♥ Q 7 6
♦ K J 3
♣ K 10 5 2



♠ A Q 5
♥ K 8 5
♦ Q 10 7 6
♣ A 9 7

♠ K J 6 3 2
♥ J 9 3
♦ 9 8 4
♣ J 6

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 NT
Pass	2 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 NT by South			

SOUTH has a minimum 1 NT opening hand - balanced distribution with 15 points.

NORTH has 9 points, which is not enough to bid game, but is worth making an invitational bid.

So she says 2 NT.

Since SOUTH is minimum he declines the invitation by passing.

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Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 7 3

♥ J 10 9 7 2

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 8

♠ Q J 4

♥ A K

♦ K 7 6

♣ Q J 10 5 2



♠ K 10 5

♥ Q 6 3

♦ A Q 5 4

♣ A K 3

♠ A 9 6 2

♥ 8 5 4

♦ J 8 3

♣ 7 6 4

1
16 18
5

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 NT

Pass

6 NT

Pass

6 NT by West

Deal 5

Deal 4

East Deals
None Vul

♠ K 7 4
♥ Q J 5
♦ K J 10
♣ A 7 4 3

1
14 21
4

West

6 NT
6 NT by East

♠ 8 6 3
♥ 10 9 7 4
♦ 9 7 6
♣ J 10 9



♠ A 10 5 2
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 8 4 2
♣ 6 5 2

North

Pass

♠ Q J 9
♥ A K 8
♦ A Q 5 3
♣ K Q 8

East

2 NT
Pass

South

Pass
Pass

The partner who is first sure what the final contract should be should just go ahead and bid it.

This is called "She who knows, goes."

In this deal, for example, it is WEST who knows. She has a balanced 14 points, so when EAST indicates

20/21 points with his opening 2 NT bid she

KNOWS

the partnership holds about 34/35 points.

Therefore she

GOES

to 6 NT.

Deal 5

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 9 4 2
♥ 7 2
♦ 9 7 2
♣ A 10 8 2

7
7 6
20

West

Pass
Pass

3 NT by South

♠ 8 5 3
♥ K 9 6
♦ A 8 6 3
♣ 9 6 5



♠ A 10 6
♥ A Q 4
♦ K Q J 10
♣ K J 7

North

3 NT

East

Pass
Pass

South

2 NT
Pass

SOUTH has a balanced 20 point hand - ideal to open 2 NT.

NORTH has 7 points; he knows the partnership has either 27 or 28 points so he bids 3 NT.