

Board 1

East Deals

None Vul

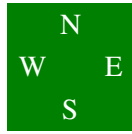
♠ 7 3
♥ J T 9 7 5 2
♦ 9 8 2
♣ 9 4

♠ K T 5

♥ Q 6 3

♦ A Q 5 4

♣ A K 3



♠ A 9 8 6 2

♥ 8 4

♦ J T 3

♣ 8 7 6

♠ Q J 4

♥ A K

♦ K 7 6

♣ Q J T 5 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

1NT

Pass

6NT

Pass

6NT by North

Board 2
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ T 8 5
 ♥ 9 7 2
 ♦ 9 7 6 4
 ♣ J T 2

♠ K 7 4
 ♥ Q J 5
 ♦ K J T
 ♣ A 7 4 3



♠ A 6 3 2
 ♥ T 6 4 3
 ♦ 8 2
 ♣ 9 6 5

♠ Q J 9
 ♥ A K 8
 ♦ A Q 5 3
 ♣ K Q 8

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| Pass | 6NT | All Pass | 2NT |

6NT by North

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 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 NORTH who knows. She has a balanced 14 points, so when SOUTH indicates

20/21 points with his opening 2NT bid she

KNOWS

the partnership holds about 34/35 points.

Therefore she

GOES

to 6NT.

Board 3

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q J 9 4

♥ T 7 2

♦ 5 4

♣ Q 8 4

♠ 8 5 3

♥ K 9 6

♦ A 8 6 3

♣ 9 6 5

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♠ 7 2

♥ J 8 5 3

♦ 9 7 2

♣ A T 3 2

♠ A T 6

♥ A Q 4

♦ K Q J T

♣ K J 7

West

North

East

South

Pass

3NT

Pass

2NT

All Pass

3 NT by North

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

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

Board 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ T 9 3 2
♥ Q J 9 5
♦ J 7 6
♣ 6 3

♠ 7 6 4

♥ A K 8

♦ K Q

♣ A J T 7 4



♠ Q J 8

♥ 6 2

♦ T 5 4 3

♣ 9 8 5 2

♠ A K 5

♥ T 7 4 3

♦ A 9 8 2

♣ K Q

West

North

East

South

Pass

6NT

All Pass

1NT

6NT by North

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This is another example of "She who knows, goes."

NORTH has a solid 18 points, (1 extra for the fifth Club), so when SOUTH opens 1NT

she

KNOWS

that together they must hold at least 33 points. The may even have 35 points.

In any case they should be in slam, so NORTH

GOES

to 6NT.

Board 5

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 4
♥ K J 9 7 4
♦ 6
♣ 7 6 3 2

♠ T 6 3

♥ T 8 5

♦ A 7 3

♣ Q 9 8 5



♠ A 8 5 2

♥ 6 3 2

♦ T 8 4 2

♣ A J

♠ K J 9

♥ A Q

♦ K Q J 9 5

♣ K T 4

| West | North | East | South |
|------|-------|----------|-------|
| | | Pass | 2NT |
| Pass | 3NT | All Pass | |

3 NT by North

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SOUTH has 20 points, counting one extra for the fifth Diamond. Just right to open 2NT.

NORTH has 6 points, just enough to bid 3NT.

(20 + 6 = 26) (21 + 6 = 27)

Board 6

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 5
 ♥ Q J 7 2
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ 8 4 3

♠ Q T 3

♥ K T 6

♦ A 9 4

♣ T 7 5 2

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|---|---|---|
| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ 7 6 4

♥ 5 4 3

♦ K 6 5 2

♣ A 9 6

♠ K J 9 2

♥ A 9 8

♦ Q T 8

♣ K Q J

| West | North | East | South |
|----------|-------|------|-------|
| | Pass | Pass | 1NT |
| Pass | 2NT | Pass | 3NT |
| All Pass | | | |

3 NT by South

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After NORTH passes initially, SOUTH opens 1NT.

With 9 points, NORTH has invitational strength, so he says 2NT.

SOUTH has a small problem - NORTH's bid tells her to bid 3NT with 17 points, but to pass

with 15 points. Her problem is that she has 16! Since it looks to her like a "good" 16 points

she bids 3NT. If those 10's and 9's had been 4's and 3's she would have passed.