

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 5 2	♦ 8 7	♣ K Q 6
♥ 6 4		
♦ A 6 5 2		
♣ 8 4 3		

13	5	5
5	17	

N		♠ 10 8 6
W	E	♥ 7 2
S		♦ 10 9 4
		♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3	
♥ K J 9 5	
♦ K Q J 3	
♣ 9 7	

West	North	East	South
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	1 ♥	Pass	2 NT
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Pass	4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠
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Pass	5 ♥	Pass	Pass
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Pass

5 ♥ by North

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 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 4 2
♥ —
♦ 9 7 5 3
♣ K Q 8 4

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

N ♠ A 9 8 7 5 3
W ♥ 9 5
E ♦ K Q J 10
S ♣ A

♠ 6
6
11 14
9
♦ A J 10 7 4 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
4 ♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
Pass	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
6 ♠ by East			

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 3

South Deals

None Vul

♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2
♥ J 10 8 5 3 2
♦ 8 7 6 5 3
♣ 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9 5
♥ K 9 4
♦ 10 9 2
♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7
♥ A Q
♦ J 4
♣ A 10 8 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♠
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 NT
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	7 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
7 ♠ by South			

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 North wanted to hear, so he bid 7 ♠.

Deal 4

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 4 3
♥ A 10 8 5 2
♦ K J
♣ K Q 9

9
13 12
6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 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

♠ J 5
♥ 9
♦ 10 9 8 5 2
♣ A J 8 6 4

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

It is your bid.

You were all set to give a Jacoby 2 NT response when North 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 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3



♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

13
5 5
17

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10	♦ 6 2	♣ J 10 9 5 2
♥ K Q 8 6 2		
♦ 6 2		
♣ J 10 9 5 2		
♠ K Q J 4 2	♦ 9 5	♣ A 9 8 7 5 3
♥ —	♦ K Q J 10	
♦ 9 7 5 3		
♣ K Q 8 4	♣ A	
	♠ 6	
11 6 14	♦ A J 10 7 4 3	
9	♦ A 8 4	
	♣ 7 6 3	



♠ A 9 8 7 5 3
♥ 9 5
♦ K Q J 10
♣ A

♠ 6
♦ A J 10 7 4 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

Deal 7 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

Both Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 8 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

None Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3



♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

13
5 5
17

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ 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

♠ 6
♥ A J 10 7 4 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

11 6
9 14

Deal 11 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

None Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 12 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

N-S Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3



♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

13
5
17

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ 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

♠ 6
6
11 14
9
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

Deal 15 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

N-S Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

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♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

Deal 16 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

E-W Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W S E

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3



♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

13
5 5
17

Deal 18East Deals
N-S Vul

♦ 6 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ 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

♠ 6

6
11 14

9

♦ A 8 4

♣ 7 6 3

Deal 19 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

E-W Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 20 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

Both Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 21

North Deals	♠ Q 7 4
N-S Vul	♥ A Q 10 8 3
	♦ 8 7
	♣ K Q 6
♠ J 9 5 2	♠ 10 8 6
♥ 6 4	♥ 7 2
♦ A 6 5 2	♦ 10 9 4
♣ 8 4 3	♣ A J 10 5 2
13	♠ A K 3
5 5	♥ K J 9 5
17	♦ K Q J 3
	♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

Deal 22East Deals
E-W Vul

♠ 10	♦ 6 2	♣ J 10 9 5 2
♥ K Q 8 6 2		
♦ 9 7 5 3		
♣ K Q 8 4		
	N	♠ A 9 8 7 5 3
	W	♥ 9 5
	S	♦ K Q J 10
	E	♣ A
♠ 6		
11 14	♦ A J 10 7 4 3	
9	♦ A 8 4	
♣ 7 6 3		



♠ 6
♦ A J 10 7 4 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

Deal 23 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

Both Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 24 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

None Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9
13 12
6

Deal 25

North Deals	♠ Q 7 4
E-W Vul	♥ A Q 10 8 3
	♦ 8 7
	♣ K Q 6
♠ J 9 5 2	♠ 10 8 6
♥ 6 4	♥ 7 2
♦ A 6 5 2	♦ 10 9 4
♣ 8 4 3	♣ A J 10 5 2
13	♠ A K 3
5 5	♥ K J 9 5
17	♦ K Q J 3
	♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ 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

♠ 6
6
11 14
9
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

Deal 27 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

None Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 28 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

N-S Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 29

North Deals	♠ Q 7 4
Both Vul	♥ A Q 10 8 3
	♦ 8 7
	♣ K Q 6
♠ J 9 5 2	♠ 10 8 6
♥ 6 4	♥ 7 2
♦ A 6 5 2	♦ 10 9 4
♣ 8 4 3	♣ A J 10 5 2
¹³ 5 5 ₁₇	♠ A K 3 ♥ K J 9 5 ♦ K Q J 3 ♣ 9 7

N
W E
S

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ K Q J 4 2

♥ —

♦ 9 7 5 3

♣ K Q 8 4

♠ A 9 8 7 5 3
♥ 9 5
♦ K Q J 10
♣ A

♠ 6
6
11 14
9
♥ A J 10 7 4 3
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3



Deal 31 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

N-S Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 32 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

E-W Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ A Q 10 8 3

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 6

♠ J 9 5 2

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 5 2

♣ 8 4 3

N
W E
S

♠ 10 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 10 9 4

♣ A J 10 5 2

♠ A K 3

13
5 5
17

♥ K J 9 5

♦ K Q J 3

♣ 9 7

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10
♥ K Q 8 6 2
♦ 6 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ 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

♠ 6
6
11 14
9
♦ A 8 4
♣ 7 6 3

Deal 35 ♠ K Q 6 4 3

South Deals ♥ 7 6

E-W Vul ♦ A K Q

♣ K Q J

♠ 2

♥ J 10 8 5 3 2

♦ 8 7 6 5 3

♣ 5



♠ 9 5

♥ K 9 4

♦ 10 9 2

♣ 9 7 6 4 2

♠ A J 10 8 7

♥ A Q

♦ J 4

♣ A 10 8 3

20

1 3

16

Deal 36 ♠ A K Q 10 8 2

West Deals ♥ 7 6 4

Both Vul ♦ 3

♣ 7 5 3

♠ 7 4 3

♥ A 10 8 5 2

♦ K J

♣ K Q 9

N
W E
S

♠ 9 6

♥ K Q J 3

♦ A Q 7 6 4

♣ 10 2

♠ J 5

♥ 9

♦ 10 9 8 5 2

♣ A J 8 6 4

9

13 12

6