

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9
 ♥ A
 ♦ 10 9 8 6 2
 ♣ J 10 4 2

12
 7 10
 11

West

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by North

♠ J 6
 ♥ Q J 9 7 5
 ♦ J 7 4
 ♣ A K 5



♠ 8 4 3
 ♥ K 10 6 4
 ♦ A Q 5
 ♣ Q 9 3

North

1 ♥

3 ♥

East

1 ♠

Pass

South

2 ♠

Pass

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s,
 11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones
 minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥,
 which partner passes.

Deal 2

North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 8 6
♥ 7
♦ A K Q 4
♣ 8 6 3 2

12
12 10
6

West

2 ♥

4 ♠

4 ♠ by East

♠ 5 2
♥ A J 9 4 2
♦ J 9 2
♣ A Q 10



♠ 7 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 10 8 7
♣ J 7 5 4

North

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

East

1 ♠

3 ♠

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

You have 14 points in support of ♠s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♥, showing a good hand with support and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 3 ♠. What do you say?

4 ♠. Partner's jump shows a good overcall, but not enough strength to insist on game when you might have only 11 points. You have plenty extra so you bid the game.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 9 8

♥ J 9 4

♦ A 8 6 2

♣ A J

♠ 7

♥ A K Q 10 5 3

♦ J 5

♣ 10 9 8 3



♠ 5 3

♥ 7 6 2

♦ 10 9 7 3

♣ 7 6 4 2

♠ A K Q 6 4 2

♥ 8

♦ K Q 4

♣ K Q 5

11
10 0
19

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♥

Pass

Pass

6 ♠ by South

3 ♥

5 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 ♠

4 NT

6 ♠

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s, 11 points or more.

There is only one thing you want to know now - how many Aces partner holds. So you bid 4 NT to find out. Partner responds 5 ♥. What do you say?

You know you have a loser. Bid 6 ♠.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 7 4
 ♥ K Q J 10 2
 ♦ 8 7 3
 ♣ 10

8
 9 11
 12

West

1 ♥

2 ♥

2 ♥ by West

♠ A 9 5 3 2

♥ 6 5

♦ J 10

♣ K 9 5 4



♠ K 10

♥ 7 3

♦ A K Q 2

♣ 8 7 6 3 2

North

1 ♠

Pass

East

2 ♣

Pass

South

1 ♣

Pass

Pass

You have 12 points in support of ♥s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♣. Since the opponents have bid two suits you can cue-bid either one of them, so you usually pick the one you have the most strength in. Partner bids 2 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner had a minimum overcall so he made a minimum rebid.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 5 2
 ♥ 10 2
 ♦ 10 9 8 4
 ♣ 5 3 2

15
 o 14
 11

♠ A 7 3
 ♥ A K 8 5 3
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ 9 7 4



♠ K Q 10 6
 ♥ Q J 9 7 6
 ♦ Q J 7 5
 ♣ —

♠ J 4
 ♥ 4
 ♦ K 3 2
 ♣ A K Q J 10 8 6

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	2 ♣	3 ♣
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by North			

You have about 15 points in support of ♥s so you cue-bid 3 ♣, showing a limit raise or better and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

5 ♣. Partner's jump shows a good hand and you have more than you have promised so far. This cue-bid is a different type, showing first round control in ♣s, Ace or void. That was apparently what partner wanted to hear since he went right to slam.