

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 5 4 2  
♥ 10 2  
♦ Q 8 5  
♣ A 8 3 2

13  
6 7  
14

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ K Q J  
♥ K Q J 8 4  
♦ 9 4  
♣ J 6 5



♠ 3  
♥ A 9 5 3  
♦ A J 10 2  
♣ K Q 9 4

North

1 ♥

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

3 ♠

Pass

♠ A 9 8 7 6  
♥ 7 6  
♦ K 7 6 3  
♣ 10 7

SOUTH's 3<sup>♠</sup> bid, a double-jump, is a Splinter bid. It shows game-forcing strength, at

least four cards in partner's suit, and a singleton or void in the Splintered suit.

NORTH has just 14 points and the <sup>♠</sup> shortness in SOUTH's hand doesn't improve her hand since

she had just one <sup>♠</sup> loser anyway. She signs off in 4

<sup>♠</sup>

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**Deal 2**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ Q J 5 2  
♥ 10 6  
♦ Q 7 6 3  
♣ 8 3 2

14  
5 8  
13

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by South

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J 10 2

♣ K Q 9 4



♠ 7 6 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ K 4

♣ A 6 5

North

3 ♠

4 ♦

5 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

4 ♣

4 NT

6 ♥

This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

SOUTH has 14 points, the same strength she had in Deal 13. But what a difference.

This time NORTH's ♠ shortness complements her hand very well. She bids 4♠.

to show her Control, and after NORTH shows the

♠

A she

uses Blackwood to make sure NORTH also has the trump Ace.

**Deal 3**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 3 2  
♥ 9 5 2  
♦ K Q 6  
♣ A 8 4 2

13  
9 5  
13

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ A 7 5  
♥ Q J 10 7 6  
♦ J 8  
♣ K Q 3



♠ K Q  
♥ A K 8  
♦ 7 5 4 3  
♣ J 10 6 5

North

1 ♥

2 NT

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

4 ♥

SOUTH has 13 points and good 3-card support for NORTH's 1

♠™¥

opening bid.

But he should not bid 2 NT since that bid promises 4+ cards in support. South must still insure

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2♠™£.

When NORTH next says 2 NT SOUTH can jump to 4

♠™¥

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NOTE: if you used Jacoby 2 NT and reached the 4

♠™¥

game, give yourself credit anyway.

**Deal 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 6

♥ Q 10

♦ A 4 3

♣ 10 8 4 3

15  
6 4  
15

♠ K Q J

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ 6 2

♣ A J 9 2

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♠ 3

♥ K J 9 6 5 2

♦ K Q J

♣ K Q 5

♠ A 10 5 4 2

♥ 4

♦ 10 9 8 7 5

♣ 7 6

West

North

East

South

Pass

2 NT

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

5 ♥ by South

Pass

SOUTH bids 3<sup>♠</sup> to show a strong hand with a singleton <sup>♠</sup>.

After NORTH shows her first-round <sup>♠</sup> control SOUTH decides he will bid slam if NORTH has three Aces.

When Blackwood reveals just two Aces in NORTH, SOUTH stops at 5

<sup>♠</sup>

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**Deal 5**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 4 3 2  
♥ 10 4  
♦ K 10 3  
♣ A 9 4 3

12  
8 7  
13

West

Pass

Pass

4♥ by North

♠ 6

♥ A K 9 7 2

♦ 8 7

♣ K Q 8 6 5

W N  
S E

♠ A Q 9

♥ Q J 8 3

♦ Q J 9 6

♣ J 2

North

1♥

4♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2NT

4♥

NORTH bids 4<sup>TM</sup> after SOUTH's Jacoby 2NT. The reason for this bid is just to describe

her hand as having a side 5-card <sup>TM</sup> suit. NORTH knows the eventual contract will

be some level of

<sup>TM</sup>

s.

SOUTH doesn't have a strong hand, but he would show

<sup>TM</sup>

control at

this time if he had the Ace. He isn't strong enough to go past game to show the <sup>TM</sup> A, so he

just bids 4

<sup>TM</sup>

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**Deal 6**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

♠ 10 3 2  
♥ A 4  
♦ 10 9 2  
♣ J 10 8 7 3



♠ —  
♥ Q 10 6 3 2  
♦ Q 8 6 3  
♣ K 9 5 2

11  
5 7  
17

♠ A K 9 7 6 5  
♥ J 9  
♦ K 7 5  
♣ A Q

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

NORTH should not be tempted to use Jacoby 2 NT with this hand. There are only 12 points, and

the Limit Raise is a perfect way to show a 12 point support hand.

SOUTH has more than enough strength to bid game after NORTH's limit raise. If NORTH had

mistakenly used a Jacoby 2 NT response, SOUTH would probably have tried to reach slam,

and perhaps gotten too high.