

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 8 7
♥ J 2
♦ 10 9 8 4
♣ K Q 4

12
9 5
14

♠ A 6 5
♥ A 10 7 5 4
♦ A 7
♣ 8 6 2



♠ K 3
♥ K Q 8 6
♦ K Q J 3
♣ 9 7 5

♠ 10 9 4 2
♥ 9 3
♦ 6 5 2
♣ A J 10 3

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

It is your bid.

With 15 points and four of partner's suit you naturally bid 2 NT. Partner now jumps to 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner's rebid of 4 ♥ is not strong. He is using the Principle of Fast Arrival to indicate a minimum opening hand. Since you have nothing extra you pass quietly.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 6 5 4
♥ 5 4 3
♦ 10 4
♣ A Q 10 4

14
6 7
13

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ Q J
♥ A J 10 6
♦ Q 5 2
♣ K J 7 3



♠ 7 3
♥ K Q 9 7 2
♦ A K J 9 8
♣ 5

North

2 NT
4 ♥

East

Pass
Pass

South

1 ♥
4 ♦
Pass

It is your bid.

Although you could show your singleton ♣ now it is usually more informative to show a second 5-card suit. So you say 4 ♦. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner signed off, showing a minimum, so you have nothing further to say.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 7 5
 ♥ 4 2
 ♦ A 7 5 2
 ♣ J 10 6 4

14
 5 8
 13

♠ A Q 3
 ♥ A J 10 9 5 3
 ♦ 6
 ♣ K 8 2



♠ K J
 ♥ K Q 8 6
 ♦ K J 10 3
 ♣ 9 7 5

♠ 9 8 6 4 2
 ♥ 7
 ♦ Q 9 8 4
 ♣ A Q 3

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♥ by North			

It is your bid.

Opening hand with 4-card trump support. You bid 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♦. What do you say?

The news that partner has a singleton ♦ does NOT excite you. In fact it causes your hand to devalue a lot. So you use the Principle of Fast Arrival and bid 4 ♥.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 8 5

♥ 6 2

♦ 9 6 4 2

♣ 9 6 2

12
4 6
18

♠ 3

♥ Q 10 9 5

♦ A Q 3

♣ K J 10 8 3



♠ 10 9 4

♥ A K J 8 4

♦ K J 10

♣ A Q

♠ A Q 7 6 2

♥ 7 3

♦ 8 7 5

♣ 7 5 4

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

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

4 ♦

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥

6 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

Partner's 3 ♠ bid is a Splinter, showing a singleton ♠, good trump support, and 13-16 points. You bid your first-round ♣ control, and partner replies with 4 ♦. What do you bid next?

There isn't really anything else you want to know. You think you can make slam so you bid 6 ♥.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 5 4

♥ 8 2

♦ A 7 6

♣ Q J 4

16

7 4

13

♠ K 3

♥ K J 10 9 7 4

♦ K Q 5

♣ A 9



♠ A Q 6 2

♥ A Q 5 3

♦ J 9 8

♣ 10 7

♠ J 10

♥ 6

♦ 10 4 3 2

♣ K 8 6 5 3 2

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

It is your bid.

You have a perfect Jacoby 2 NT raise. Partner's rebid is 3 ♥. What is your next bid?

When partner shows an above average opener it is your duty to make a control bid if you can. So you bid 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 NT and it is your turn.

This is Blackwood. You respond 5 ♥ for two Aces and partner bids the slam.