

Deal 1

North Deals	♠ A 10 9 7 5
None Vul	♥ K Q
	♦ A 3
	♣ Q 10 4 3

♠ 4	♠ J 3 2		
♥ 8 4 3 2	♥ A 10 9 5		
♦ K Q 9 8 2	♦ 10 5 4		
♣ A 8 2	♣ K J 7		
	♠ K Q 8 6		
15 9 9 7	♥ J 7 6 ♦ J 7 6 ♣ 9 6 5		
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 ♠ by North			

With 7 points and good trumps you respond 2 ♠. Partner now bids 3 ♣. What do you bid next?

Again partner is inviting you to bid game. He wants you to bid it if you are at the top of your 6-T range, and he wants you to particularly promote any Help you can give him in ♣s.

You are at the bottom of your range and you have no help in ♣s, so you just return to ♠s. Partner passes.

Deal 2
South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 3
♥ Q 10 6
♦ K Q 10 3
♣ 9 6 5 4
♠ Q 10 8 7 6 5
♥ 8
♦ 8 4
♣ A J 8 3
7
7 10
16
♣ 10

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

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W E
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West North East South
Pass 2 ♥ Pass 3 ♦
Pass 4 ♥ Pass Pass
Pass
4 ♥ by South

Your only reasonable response is 2 ♥.
Partner now bids 3 ♦. What do you say?

With 8 points you are right in the middle of the 6-10 points you promised. So you could either accept partner's invitation or decline it. BUT, he said you should particularly look at any Help you could provide in ♦s. Since you have lots of good stuff in that suit you upgrade your 8 points and bid 4 ♥.