

**Deal 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 2  
 ♥ 5 4 2  
 ♦ 10 6 5  
 ♣ K J 8 4 3

14  
 4 6  
 16

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

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 ♥ by North

♠ K Q  
 ♥ A J 10 9 7 6  
 ♦ 9 7  
 ♣ A 9 6



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

♠ J 7 6 5 4  
 ♥ —  
 ♦ Q J 8 3 2  
 ♣ Q 10 5

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 NT

3 ♠

4 ♦

Pass

NORTH's 3

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bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

The next three bids are all Control-showing cue bids.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ K Q

♣ A K 8 3

6  
16 16  
2

*West*

2 NT

4 ♣

4 NT

6 ♠

6 ♠ by East

♠ J

♥ 10 6 2

♦ A J 10 7 6 4 3

♣ 10 6

N  
W E  
S

♠ 10 5 2

♥ Q 9 7 5

♦ 5 2

♣ 9 7 5 4

*North*

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

*East*

1 ♠

3 NT

4 ♥

5 ♥

Pass

*South*

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

EAST shows extra strength / five trumps.

4<sup>TM</sup>£ and 44<sup>TM</sup>¥

are Control-showing bids.

WEST knows they are missing the

4<sup>TM</sup>!

A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain EAST holds the trump Ace.

**Deal 3**

South Deals

None Vul

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

14  
 7 6  
 13

West

Pass

Pass

4♥ by South

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J 10 2

♣ K Q 9 4

N  
 W E  
 S

♠ K Q J

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ J 6 5

North

3♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1♥

4♥

NORTH's 3<sup>rd</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.

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

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

<sup>th</sup>

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**Deal 4**

West Deals

None Vul

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

5  
 13 14  
 8

*West*

1 ♥

4 ♣

4 NT

6 ♥

6 ♥ by West

♠ Q J 5 2

♥ 10 6

♦ Q 7 6 3

♣ 8 3 2



♠ A K 10 9 8

♥ 7 2

♦ 9 8 5

♣ J 10 7

*North*

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

*East*

3 ♠

4 ♦

5 ♥

Pass

*South*

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

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

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

to show her Control, and after EAST shows the

♠

A she

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

**Deal 5**

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

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game, give yourself credit anyway.