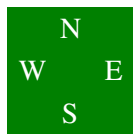


Board 1
 East Deals
 None Vul

♠ 4 3
 ♥ 9 6 3 2
 ♦ T 8 7
 ♣ J T 6 5

♠ A J T 7
 ♥ J 7
 ♦ Q J 9 5
 ♣ A 8 3



♠ K 6 2
 ♥ A 8 4
 ♦ 6 4 2
 ♣ K Q 9 7

♠ Q 9 8 5
 ♥ K Q T 5
 ♦ A K 3
 ♣ 4 2

West	North	East	South
		1 ♣	Dbl
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 6

With 14 points, shortage, and support for the other suits SOUTH makes a Takeout Double.

NORTH has 13 points so she bids 2. This is an artificial bid, apprising SOUTH of NORTH's opening

hand strength, and forcing the partnership to reach the game level.

SOUTH suggests

s as trumps.

NORTH doesn't like

s so she suggests s.

SOUTH agrees with and bids game, 4.

Board 2

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 5
♥ K Q J 8 4 3
♦ 7 6
♣ K Q J 4

♠ Q 7 4
♥ 9 6 5 2
♦ Q 5
♣ A 8 6 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 6 2
♥ A T
♦ T 9 8 4 2
♣ T 9 2

♠ A K J 9 8 3
♥ 7
♦ A K J 3
♣ 7 5

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

opening is passed around to SOUTH. He is

tempted to overcall 1 but with 18 points is a little strong for a mere overcall.

Instead, he doubles.

With 8 points NORTH is not strong enough to jump. She bids 2 .

SOUTH now bids 2 By doubling first, then bidding his own suit,

he shows a good suit and 17+ points.

NORTH raises to 4 .

Board 3

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K Q 5 4 2
 ♥ J 4
 ♦ K J 9 8 5
 ♣ J

♠ A J 9

♥ K Q 8

♦ Q 7 4

♣ A Q 8 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 6 3

♥ T 5 3 2

♦ T 3

♣ T 7 4 2

♠ 8 7

♥ A 9 7 6

♦ A 6 2

♣ K 9 6 3

West	North	East	South
1 ♠	1NT	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	3NT
All Pass			

3 NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 8

NORTH has 18 points, a balanced hand, and a good stopper in their suit. He should overcall 1NT.

For 1NT overcalls, the range is increased to 15-18 points.

SOUTH bids 2 (Stayman), just as she would with a 1NT opening. When NORTH denies holding

a 4-card Major SOUTH has enough points to bid 3NT. She doesn't worry about a stopper

since NORTH promised he had the suit controlled.

Board 4

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 3

♥ T 8 5

♦ T

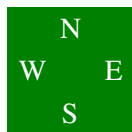
♣ 9 5 3 2

♠ J T 5 2

♥ 7 6 4 2

♦ 8 6

♣ J 8 6



♠ A 8 6

♥ K Q J

♦ A J 9 7

♣ K Q 4

♠ 4

♥ A 9 3

♦ K Q 5 4 3 2

♣ A T 7

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 9

SOUTH has 20 points, excellent

stoppers and a balanced hand.

She is two points too strong to overcall 1NT. Instead, she doubles.

NORTH has an awful hand - but since he is forced to bid he says 1 ♠ assuming SOUTH wants

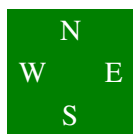
to hear his best suit.

SOUTH now bids 1NT, showing the balanced 19-21 point hand. NORTH passes, of course.

Board 5
West Deals
N-S Vul

♠ A 3
♥ K J 8 7 3 2
♦ 8 4
♣ Q J T

♠ Q 7 4
♥ A Q T
♦ K J 7 5
♣ A K 6



♠ T 9 8 5
♥ 9 4
♦ T 9 6 2
♣ 5 3 2

♠ K J 6 2
♥ 6 5
♦ A Q 3
♣ 9 8 7 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	Dbl	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3 NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set10 10
NORTH has a 19 point balanced hand, including a stop in

s.

He plans to double, then bid NT. (see Deal 9)

SOUTH has 10 points though, so he jumps to 2 .

In theory NORTH could now bid 2NT to continue the description of his hand, but he might as well

go ahead and bid 3NT instead.