

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 5 4
♥ Q 6 3
♦ 9 5 4
♣ A J 10 9 7

7
7 4
22

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A J 10 7 2

♥ 9 8 7

♦ 8 2

♣ Q 5 3



♠ K Q 8 6

♥ A K J 2

♦ A K Q

♣ 8 6

North

2 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

3 ♠

Pass

SOUTH has a minimum 2nd level opening.

NORTH, with 8 points and a 5-card suit, should make a positive response, 2nd level.

SOUTH shows the 1st level support first, to set the trump suit, and to give NORTH an opportunity

for a move toward slam if he wants to do so.

NORTH would now make a Control-showing bid IF HE HAD A CONTROL. Since he doesn't he just returns

to 4th level which SOUTH passes.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q 9
♥ A K 2
♦ A 8 3
♣ A J 7 4

4
22 8
6

West	North	East	South
2 ♣	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass
3 NT by East			

♠ J 7 4
♥ J 10 7 6 3
♦ Q 9 2
♣ 6 2



♠ 10 8 5 2
♥ 9 4
♦ J 10 5
♣ K Q 10 8

♠ K 6 3
♥ Q 8 5
♦ K 7 6 4
♣ 9 5 3

WEST, with 22 points and balanced, opens 2[♣], expecting to rebid 2 NT.

But EAST responds a positive 2 NT, showing a balanced hand with 8 or more points.

WEST bids what his hand is worth, 3 NT and EAST passes.

Deal 3

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 8 6 4
♥ K 4
♦ Q 9 8 4
♣ Q J 10 7

5
8 4
23

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ Q J 7 2
♥ Q 10 7 5
♦ 7 2
♣ 8 5 4



♠ A K 9
♥ A J 8 2
♦ A 6
♣ A K 9 3

North

2 ♦

3 ♣

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

2 NT

3 ♥

Pass

SOUTH opens 2[♣] and NORTH responds 2

2[♠]

showing fewer than 8 points.

SOUTH bids 2 NT with a 23 point balanced hand.

NORTH has enough points to bid 3 NT, but with two 4-card Major suits bids 3[♠] Stayman instead. SOUTH

won't confuse this as the second negative since that bid isn't used after a 2 NT rebid.

So SOUTH shows her 4-card

2[♠]

suit and NORTH bids 4

2[♠]

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Deal 4

East Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 6 3
♥ Q 8 5
♦ K 7 6 4
♣ K J 3

1
11 24
4

West

♠ 10 8 5 2
♥ 9 4
♦ J 10 5
♣ 10 9 8 6



♠ J 7 4
♥ J 10 7 6 3
♦ Q 9 2
♣ 5 2

North

♠ A K 9
♥ A K 2
♦ A 8 3
♣ A Q 7 4

*East**South*

2 ♣

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 NT

Pass

6 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 NT by West

WEST has a balanced hand with 11 points, so she responds 2 NT to EAST's 2nd opening bid.

EAST bids 3 NT. This shows 22-24 points, a hand he was planning to rebid 2 NT.

WEST knows the side has at least 33 points, but no more than 35 so she bids 6 NT.