

<b>Deal 1</b>	<b>♠ K Q J 4 2</b>	<b>NORTH's 2</b>		
South Deals	<b>♥ K 5</b>	$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\downarrow$		
None Vul	<b>♦ A 5 2</b>			
	<b>♣ 7 5 3</b>			
<b>♠ 10 8</b>		bid is New Minor Forcing.		
<b>♥ A 7 3</b>	<b>N</b>			
<b>♦ Q J 10 7 4</b>	<b>W E</b>	<b>NORTH chose</b>		
<b>♣ J 10 2</b>	<b>S</b>			
	<b>♠ 9 6 5</b>	$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\downarrow$		
	<b>♥ 9 6 4</b>			
	<b>♦ 9 3</b>	s rather than $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\downarrow$ s simply		
	<b>♣ A K 9 8 6</b>	because the		
	<b>♠ A 7 3</b>			
<b>13</b>	<b>♥ Q J 10 8 2</b>			
<b>8 7</b>	<b>♦ K 8 6</b>			
<b>12</b>	<b>♣ Q 4</b>			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>	
			<b>1 ♥</b>	
Pass	<b>1 ♠</b>	Pass	<b>1 NT</b>	$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\downarrow$
Pass	<b>2 ♦</b>	Pass	<b>2 ♡</b>	
Pass	<b>4 ♣</b>	Pass	Pass	s were stronger.
Pass				
<b>4 ♠ by North</b>				

**Deal 2**  
South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 6 2  
♥ 7 5  
♦ J 9 8 4  
♣ A K Q 4

8  
10 6  
16

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

♠ A Q 9 7 3  
♥ 10 3  
♦ 10 7 6 3  
♣ 10 9

♠ K 5  
♥ A J 9 6 2  
♦ A K  
♣ J 8 5 2

West      North      East      South  
Pass      2 ♥      Pass      3 ♣  
Pass      3 ♥      Pass      Pass  
Pass

3 ♥ by South

SOUTH is unlikely to win 10 tricks if NORTH has three  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ell$  losers.

SOUTH's 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ell$  bid is a Help Suit Game try.

With no help in  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\ell$ s and no ruffing values, NORTH's 8 points are

not enough to think of game, so NORTH signs off in 3

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**Deal 3**North Deals  
None Vul

♠ 10 5 4  
 ♥ A 7 6  
 ♦ 9 3 2  
 ♣ Q 8 6 5

**13**  
 6 7  
**14**

♠ A J 7 6 2  
 ♥ K 10 9 4  
 ♦ K Q 6  
 ♣ 4



♠ Q 9 3  
 ♥ J 3 2  
 ♦ A 10 7 5  
 ♣ 10 9 2

♠ K 8  
 ♥ Q 8 5  
 ♦ J 8 4  
 ♣ A K J 7 3

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by North			

SOUTH's 3

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bid is Fourth Suit Forcing and

does NOT show a

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stopper.

The bid asks NORTH to further describe her hand.

NORTH does not have a rebiddable suit, but does have

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s stopped so she bids 3 NT.

**Deal 4**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

♠ K 10 4  
 ♥ K 10 9  
 ♦ 8 5 2  
 ♣ A 6 5 3



♠ Q 9 6 5 2  
 ♥ 7 6 3  
 ♦ A Q  
 ♣ Q 8 4

10  
 10 8  
 12

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

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

2 NT by South

NORTH cannot rebid the 5-card  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  suit,  
 cannot support SOUTH's

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

s,

and cannot bid Notrump without a

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{Y}$

stopper.

So she bids  $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{f}$ , New Minor Forcing,  
 asking SOUTH to describe his hand  
 further.

SOUTH doesn't have three  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  s, nor does  
 he have four

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{Y}$

s.

But he does have

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{Y}$

s stopped, so bids 2 NT. North is not strong

enough to bid game so she passes.

**Deal 5**North Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 8 7  
 ♥ J 10  
 ♦ Q 8 7 2  
 ♣ A Q 4 3

**14**  
**10 9**  
 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9  
 ♥ K Q 9 8 6 2  
 ♦ 5  
 ♣ K J 10 9 8

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♠ by North			

NORTH's 3

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bid is a Help Suit Game Try.

SOUTH has excellent help in

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s

so with 8 points he bids the game.

**Deal 6**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

$\spadesuit$ Q J 8 3 $\heartsuit$ A Q J 7 $\diamond$ J 9 $\clubsuit$ K 10 2	$\spadesuit$ K 7 6 4 2 $\heartsuit$ K 9 2 $\diamond$ 5 3 $\clubsuit$ Q 7 4
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	N	
W		E
	S	

$\spadesuit$ 9 $\heartsuit$ 8 6 5 3 $\diamond$ A 10 8 6 2 $\clubsuit$ J 9 5	$\spadesuit$ A 10 5 $\heartsuit$ 10 4 $\diamond$ K Q 7 4 $\clubsuit$ A 8 6 3
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<i>West</i> Pass Pass Pass	<i>North</i> 1 $\heartsuit$ 3 NT 3 NT by South	<i>East</i> Pass Pass Pass	<i>South</i> 1 $\diamond$ 1 NT Pass
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NORTH has no reason to consider New Minor Forcing with this hand.

SOUTH does not have four

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}Y$

s or he would have already supported, and

he does not have four  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ s or he would not have bid 1 NT.

So NORTH should bid the Notrump game.