

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6
♥ A Q 6
♦ K 9 6 3 2
♣ 6 4 3

♠ K Q T 7 2

♥ 8 3

♦ 7 5

♣ T 8 7 2



♠ 5 4 3
♥ J T 7 4
♦ J T 8
♣ K J 5

♠ A J 8
♥ K 9 5 2
♦ A Q 4
♣ A Q 9

West	North	East	South
			2NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

Baker Notrump 13

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

With a balanced 20 point hand you open 2NT.
Partner responds 3♠. What do you bid next?Partner is showing a 5-card ♠ suit and at least 5 points. This is a forcing bid; you are to choose between 3NT and 4♠, depending on your ♠ holding.
With three of them you bid 4♠.

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q J T 7 5 4

♥ T 5 3

♦ A 8 5

♣ 7

♠ K 9 8 3

♥ K Q 2

♦ T 7 4

♣ 9 5 3



♠ 2
♥ 9 8 7 4
♦ Q 9 3
♣ A K J T 2

♠ A 6
♥ A J 6
♦ K J 6 2
♣ Q 8 6 4

West North East South

Pass 1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

Baker Notrump 14

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have 8 points. Even if partner has the maximum 17 it would only add to 25, which is probably not enough to make game. You should pass.

Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 8 6 5

♥ J T 8

♦ K 2

♣ A 8 6 2

♠ A Q 2

♥ A 9 7

♦ Q 8 3

♣ K Q T 4



♠ J 7 4

♥ 6 5 4 3

♦ A J 6 5

♣ 9 7

♠ K 9 3

♥ K Q 2

♦ T 9 7 4

♣ J 5 3

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	

3NT by North

Baker Notrump 15

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 9 points you have just enough strength for an invitation. So you bid 2NT. Partner then says 3NT and everybody passes.

Board 4

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 6 5 4

♥ T 9 5 4

♦ 6 2

♣ J 4 2

♠ 7 3

♥ A K 2

♦ K T 9 4

♣ Q 7 5 3


 ♠ J 9 8 2
 ♥ J 8 7 3
 ♦ Q 8 5
 ♣ A 8

♠ A Q T

♥ Q 6

♦ A J 7 3

♣ K T 9 6

West	North	East	South
			1NT

Pass 3NT All Pass

3NT by North

Baker Notrump 16

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

A balanced hand with 12 points. Even if partner has just 15 points you want to be in game. So you bid 3NT.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K T 8

♥ A 8 2

♦ 8 5 3

♣ J 5 4 2

♠ A Q 5 2

♥ K Q 9

♦ J 7

♣ A T 9 7


 ♠ J 9 6 4
 ♥ J 6 4 3
 ♦ Q 2
 ♣ K Q 3

 ♠ 7 3
 ♥ T 7 5
 ♦ A K T 9 6 4
 ♣ 8 6

West North East South

1NT Pass 3NT

All Pass

3NT by South

Baker Notrump 17

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have just 9 points, only 7 of which are HCP. Still, that ♦ suit is very likely to provide 5 or 6 tricks. Take a risk and bid 3NT.

Board 6

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 9 8

♥ 8 5 3 2

♦ T 6 3

♣ A 5 4

♠ Q J 5

♥ K 6

♦ A Q 7 4

♣ K J T 7

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♠ K 6 2

♥ Q T 7 4

♦ 9 8 5

♣ 9 8 2

♠ A 7 4 3

♥ A J 9

♦ K J 2

♣ Q 6 3

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	4NT	All Pass	

4NT by North

Baker Notrump 18

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With partner's 15, 16 or 17 points added to your 16 the total assets are 31, 32 or 33. That's only one chance in 3 of having the points you need for slam. On the other hand you have a pretty good 16. So you bid 4NT, inviting partner to bid the slam. He will pass if he has only 15, so the worst thing that can happen is that he puts you in slam with only 32 points.

So you bid 4NT and guess what? He passes.