

**Deal 1**      ♠ J 5 3  
North Deals    ♥ K 10 3  
None Vul      ♦ A 9 8  
                  ♣ A 8 4 2

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



♠ 10 7 4 2  
   ♥ Q J 9 6  
   ♦ 7 4 3  
   ♣ K 5

West      North      East      South  
Pass      Pass      Dbl      Pass  
1 ♣ by North

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

You could certainly say 1 NT if you wanted to. You have 8 HCP and a very good ♣ stopper. However, you will probably make a lot more points by letting them play 1 ♣ doubled.

This is exactly the kind of hand you need to pass and convert partner's Takeout Double to a Penalty Double. Partner should lead a ♣ so you can pull declarer's trumps as soon as possible.