

Deal 1

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 5
 ♥ 5 2
 ♦ Q 9 5
 ♣ A K J 9 8 3

♠ Q J
 ♥ A K 6 3
 ♦ A J 8
 ♣ 7 6 5 2

10
15 4
11

N
W E
S

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

♠ A 8 6 4
 ♥ Q 10 8 7
 ♦ K 6 4 2
 ♣ Q

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Dbl	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	

2 ♣ by South

This is a perfect hand with which to Disturb the Opponent's No Trump. You double and partner bids **2 ♣**, the relay bid.

What do you say next?

You say pass, of course.

Deal 2

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ J 9 8 2
♦ A Q 3
♣ J 7 6 4

7
8 15
10

♠ A 7 6
♥ Q 10 5 3
♦ J 7 4 2
♣ 8 5

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♠ J 10 2
♥ A K 7
♦ K 10 9 5
♣ A 10 3

♠ K Q 9 8 5
♥ 6 4
♦ 8 6
♣ K Q 9 2

West	North	East	South
		1 NT	2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♪
Pass	Pass	Pass	
2 ♪ by South			

Partner has two suits, ♣s and something else.

With ♣s your worst suit, you prefer to play in something else. So you bid the next suit up-the-line, which is 2 ♦.

Partner corrects to 2 ♪, his "something else" and you pass.

Deal 3East Deals
None Vul**♠ A K 6 3 2****♥ 9 4****♦ 8****♣ K Q 9 7 5****♠ 10 9 5****♥ 5****♦ Q J 10 7 3 2****♣ A 4 2****♠ Q J 4****♥ A 6 3 2****♦ A K 4****♣ J 10 6****12
7 15
6****♠ 8 7****♥ K Q J 10 8 7****♦ 9 6 5****♣ 8 3***West**North**East**South*

1 NT

Pass

Pass

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♥

Pass

2 ♥ by South

You have 12 HCP, certainly enough to use DONT in either seat. With your black 2-suiter you bid the lowest one, 2 ♣.

Partner says 2 ♥.

Partner would have bid 2 ♦, the next suit up the line, to ask you to name your other suit. His 2 ♥ bid says he wants to play right there.

So you pass.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

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

14
17 4
 5

	N		
W		E	
	S		

♠ A 3
 ♥ J 6 5
 ♦ A Q 8 6
 ♣ K 8 6 3

♠ 8 5
 ♥ 8 7
 ♦ J 9 4 3 2
 ♣ Q J 9 7

♠ Q 9 7 4 2
 ♥ K 10 9 4
 ♦ 7 5
 ♣ 4 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

2 ♥ by South

You would have opened 1♦ but after West opens 1 NT you must pass.

Partner bids 2 ♥ in the balancing seat.

The 2 ♥ bid shows ♥s and ♠s.

You like ♥s better and don't have enough strength to think about game so you pass.

Deal 5

East Deals	♠ 10 6 4
None Vul	♥ J 10 8 3
	♦ A J 8
	♣ A 7 5
♠ 2	♠ A 8 3
♥ K 7 6	♥ A Q 9 4
♦ 7 4 3 2	♦ K 10 6
♣ K J 10 6 4	♣ Q 9 2

10	♠ K Q J 9 7 5
7 15	♥ 5 2
8	♦ Q 9 5
	♣ 8 3



West	North	East	South
		1 NT	2 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
2 ♠ by South			

You have a good 6-card suit but only 8 HCP. This is bare minimum for a DONT bid. The fact that your suit is ♠s should sway you toward bidding.

But with the weak hand you bid 2 ♠ instead of double. Everybody passes.

Deal 6

South Deals
None Vul

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

16 16	4 4	♦ K Q ♥ 8 6 4 3 ♦ A K 10 ♣ K J 9 8
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West *North* *East* *South*

Pass Pass Pass
1 NT by South

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W E
S

**♠ 8 6 5 3
♥ Q 9 2
♦ 7 5 4
♣ Q 6 3**

**♠ K Q
♥ 8 6 4 3
♦ A K 10
♣ K J 9 8**

With 16 points and a balanced hand you were planning on opening 1 NT yourself.

But one of the consequences of playing DONT is that you have no bid to describe this hand. You cannot double because then partner would just bid 2♣ as a relay and you wouldn't know where to go.

So you pass.