

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 2
♥ K 10 9
♦ 10 8 5 3 2
♣ 10 7 5 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A Q 8 7 6
♥ 7 3
♦ K Q J 7
♣ Q 2

♠ J 5 4
♥ A Q J 8 5 2
♦ 9
♣ A 6 3

♠ K 10 9 3
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 4
♣ K J 9 8

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

4 ♠ by North

You have a limit raise in ♠s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♠.

Instead, you cue-bid 3 ♥, promising at least 11 points and support for ♠s. Partner bids the game.

Deal 2 ♠ K Q 6 3
South Deals ♥ A 8 7 3
None Vul ♦ Q 8
 ♣ 8 4 2

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

N
W E
S

11 ♠ A 10 9 8 4
11 3 ♥ 9 6 4
15 ♦ A K 7
 ♣ A 5

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

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s.

With your 17 revalued points you know that your side has at least enough for game, so bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 4 2	♦ A K 6 5 4	♥ A J 3	♣ 4 3
♥ J 10 2	♦ 10 6 2	♦ A K Q J 10 9 3	♦ 8
♣ A K 10 8 7 6	12 8 10 10	W N E S	♦ 9 8 7 5
			♣ 5
			♠ 8 5
			♥ Q 9 7 3
			♦ K Q 4
			♣ Q J 9 2

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

You have a limit raise in ♥s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♥.

Instead, you cue-bid 2 ♠, promising at least 11 points and support for ♥s. Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner indicates a minimum hand and you don't have enough extra to bid more.

Deal 4South Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 7 5 2
 ♥ 9 6 2
 ♦ A 5
 ♣ 10 9 6

7
 9
 15



♠ A 3
 ♥ Q 8 7 4
 ♦ J 6 2
 ♣ 8 7 4 2

♠ 9 6 4

♥

A K J 5 3

♦

9 7 4

♣

A K

♠ J 10 8

♥ 10

♦ K Q 10 8 3

♣ Q J 5 3

West North East South

1 ♠ 3 ♥ Pass Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

You have a pretty good hand and if partner has a limit raise or better you should bid 4 ♥.

But partner doesn't have a limit raise - if he did he would have cue-bid. So you pass.

Deal 5North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 4 2
 ♥ A J 2
 ♦ 10 5 3
 ♣ A J 7 4

12
11 **10**
 7

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 ♠

3 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3
 ♦ K Q J 7
 ♣ 9 2

♠ 5
 ♥ K Q 10 9 8 5
 ♦ 9 8 2
 ♣ K Q 5

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

You would have bid 2 ♠ if East had not overcalled.

Instead, with 4 trumps you can jump to 3 ♠ as a preemptive measure. Partner will not mistake this for a limit raise since you would have cue-bid with 11+ points and support.

The jump to 3 is based on the Law of Total Tricks - bidding to a trick level equal to the number of your side's trumps.

Deal 6

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



♠ J 6
11
10 7
12
♦ Q J 9 7 5
♦ J 7 4
♣ A K 5

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

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s, 11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥, which partner passes.

Deal 7

West Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ A J 9 4 2
♦ J 9 2
♣ A Q 10

10
12 6
12

♠ A K 10 9 4
♥ 8 5 3
♦ 6 5 3
♣ K 9

W N E
S

♠ 7 3
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 10 8 7
♣ J 7 5 4

♠ Q J 8 6
♥ 7
♦ A K Q 4
♣ 8 6 3 2

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

You have 14 points in support of ♣s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2 ♥, showing a good hand with support and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 3 ♠. What do you say?

4 ♠. Partner's jump shows a good overcall, but not enough strength to insist on game when you might have only 11 points. You have plenty extra so you bid the game.

Deal 8

South Deals

♦ J 9 4

None Vul

♦ A 8 6 2

♣ A J

♠ 7

♥ A K Q 10 5 3

♦ J 5

♣ 10 9 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 5 3
♥ 7 6 2
♦ 10 9 7 3
♣ 7 6 4 2

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♠ A K Q 6 4 2

♥ 8

♦ K Q 4

♣ K Q 5

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

2 ♥

3 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

5 ♥

Pass

6 ♠

Pass

6 ♠ by South

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s, 11 points or more.

There is only one thing you want to know now - how many Aces partner holds. So you bid 4 NT to find out. Partner responds 5 ♥. What do you say?

You know you have a loser. Bid 6 ♠.

Deal 9West Deals
None Vul

♠ K 10
 ♥ 7 3
 ♦ A K Q 2
 ♣ 8 7 6 3 2

9
 12 8
 11

N
 W E
 S

♠ A 9 5 3 2
 ♥ 6 5
 ♦ J 10
 ♣ K 9 5 4

♠ 8 6
 ♥ A 9 8 4
 ♦ 9 6 5 4
 ♣ A Q J

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

You have 12 points in support of ♥s; however, partner's overcall does not promise more than 9 points or so.

So you cue-bid 2♣. Since the opponents have bid two suits you can cue-bid either one of them, so you usually pick the one you have the most strength in. Partner bids 2♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner had a minimum overcall so he made a minimum rebid.

Deal 10
 South Deals
 None Vul

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

11	♠ A 7 3
14 o	♦ A K 8 5 3
15	♦ A 6

N	W	E	S
♦ 10 2	♦ 10 9 8 4	♣ 5 3 2	♣ 9 7 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♥ by South

You have about 15 points in support of ♥s so you cue-bid 3 ♣, showing a limit raise or better and forcing partner to bid again. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

5 ♣. Partner's jump shows a good hand and you have more than you have promised so far. This cue-bid is a different type, showing first round control in ♣s, Ace or void. That was apparently what partner wanted to hear since he went right to slam.