

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

21  
6 3  
10

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 NT

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

4 NT

Pass

5 ♣

Pass

5 NT

Pass

7 NT

7 NT by North

Pass

Pass

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

N  
W E  
S

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

♠ 10 9 8 4 3  
♥ Q 8 6  
♦ 6  
♣ J 10 9 2

SOUTH isn't sure just how much he can make, but surely 6

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isn't

too much to hope for.

He starts with a Gerber 4â™™£ and NORTH shows three Aces.

Hmmm, 5â™™£ asks for Kings and NORTH shows three.

Hmm, SOUTH can now count all thirteen tricks, so he forgets about the

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slam and bids 7 NT.

**Deal 2**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 7 6 5 3 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ 10 6 4 2

♣ 2

♠ J 8

♥ J 7 2

♦ 8 5

♣ A K Q 10 9 6



♠ A K Q

♥ K Q 6

♦ K Q 3

♣ J 8 7 5

♠ 10 9 4

♥ 10 8 4 3

♦ A J 9 7

♣ 4 3

4  
11 20  
5

*West**North**East**South*

4 ♣

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

4 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 NT by East

WEST has 13 points and can contribute six tricks so she figures that twelve tricks will be a slam (dunk).

However, just to make sure the opponents don't take the first two tricks she checks with Gerber.

Uh Oh, missing two Aces she signs off at 4 NT. She could also happily play 5<sup>â™</sup>£, but it

would be tricky to get there. Very tricky.

**Deal 3**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

15  
6 4  
15

West

Pass

Pass

4 NT by South

♠ A Q 6

♥ K 7 3

♦ K 6

♣ K 10 6 5 3

W N E  
S

♠ K 7 5

♥ Q 9 6

♦ A 9 8 3

♣ A Q 7

North

4 NT

East

Pass

South

1 NT

Pass

♠ J 10 9 8 3

♥ J 10 8

♦ J 5

♣ J 8 2

Yes, this has nothing to do with Gerber or Blackwood, but everything to do with smart bidding.

NORTH has a 16 points and SOUTH has 15, 16 or 17. NORTH wants to be in 6 NT if SOUTH has 17,

but merely a Notrump game if she has 15 or 16.

The way to find out is to bid 4 NT - not Blackwood but merely an invitation to bid 6 NT.

In this case, SOUTH has but 15 points and declines the invitation. If her

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were changed to the

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As she would bid 6 NT and collect her twelve easy tricks.

**Deal 4**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ A 8 7 6  
♥ Q J 7  
♦ A J 3  
♣ A 8 2

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



♠ K Q J 4  
♥ K 6  
♦ K 4  
♣ K Q J 10 5

4  
16 18  
2

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 NT	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 NT	Pass	6 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
6 NT by West			

When WEST opens 1 NT EAST hopes his hand includes all four Aces so she can bid 7 NT.

So she uses Gerber to find out.

But, when she discovers they are missing an Ace she settles for 6 NT.

**Deal 5**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

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



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

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	5 NT	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	7 NT	ALL	Pass
7 NT by North			

## ***Deal 6***

**Deal 6**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4

West	North	East	South
	1 ♦	Pass	2 NT
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	7 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
7 NT by South			

NORTH is just shy of a 2<sup>nd</sup> opening bid, and when SOUTH shows 13-15 points NORTH

wants to be in a slam.

NORTH cannot use Blackwood because 4 NT would be a natural invitation, but with SOUTH's latest bid

being 2 NT he can use Gerber.

Two Major Aces and two Minor Kings fill the holes in NORTH's hand so he bids 7 NT.

**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

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

21  
6 3  
10

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



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

♠ 10 9 8 4 3  
♥ Q 8 6  
♦ 6  
♣ J 10 9 2



**Deal 9**

North Deals

E-W Vul

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

4  
11 20  
5

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



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

♠ 10 9 4  
♥ 10 8 4 3  
♦ A J 9 7  
♣ 4 3

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

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

15  
6 4  
15

♠ A Q 6  
♥ K 7 3  
♦ K 6  
♣ K 10 6 5 3



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

♠ J 10 9 8 3  
♥ J 10 8  
♦ J 5  
♣ J 8 2

**Deal 11**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

4  
16 18  
2

♠ 10 9 5 3

♥ A 8 5 4

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 6 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J 10 5

♠ 2

♥ 10 9 3 2

♦ Q 10 8 7 5 2

♣ 7 4

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

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

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



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

27  
3 3  
7

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

***Deal 13***

North Deals

Both Vul

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4

**Deal 15**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

21  
6 3  
10

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



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

♠ 10 9 8 4 3  
♥ Q 8 6  
♦ 6  
♣ J 10 9 2

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

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

4  
11 20  
5

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



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

♠ 10 9 4  
♥ 10 8 4 3  
♦ A J 9 7  
♣ 4 3



**Deal 17**

North Deals

None Vul

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

15  
6 4  
15

♠ A Q 6  
♥ K 7 3  
♦ K 6  
♣ K 10 6 5 3



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

♠ J 10 9 8 3  
♥ J 10 8  
♦ J 5  
♣ J 8 2

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

4  
16 18  
2

♠ 10 9 5 3

♥ A 8 5 4

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 6 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J 10 5

♠ 2

♥ 10 9 3 2

♦ Q 10 8 7 5 2

♣ 7 4

**Deal 19**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J 10 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ 6 2

♣ 10 8 3

27

3 3

7

♠ A K

♥ A Q 10 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

♠ 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 10 9 8 5 4

♣ Q J 9 5

***Deal 20***

West Deals

Both Vul

**Deal 21**

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

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

21  
6 3  
10

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



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

♠ 10 9 8 4 3  
♥ Q 8 6  
♦ 6  
♣ J 10 9 2

**Deal 23**

South Deals

Both Vul

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

4  
11 20  
5

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



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

♠ 10 9 4  
♥ 10 8 4 3  
♦ A J 9 7  
♣ 4 3

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

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

15  
6 4  
15

♠ A Q 6  
♥ K 7 3  
♦ K 6  
♣ K 10 6 5 3



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

♠ J 10 9 8 3  
♥ J 10 8  
♦ J 5  
♣ J 8 2



**Deal 25**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

4  
16 18  
2

♠ 10 9 5 3

♥ A 8 5 4

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 6 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J 10 5

♠ 2

♥ 10 9 3 2

♦ Q 10 8 7 5 2

♣ 7 4

**Deal 26**

East Deals

Both Vul

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

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



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

27  
3 3  
7

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

***Deal 27***  
South Deals  
None Vul

**Deal 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4

**Deal 29**

North Deals

Both Vul

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

21  
6 3  
10

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



♠ 10 9 8 4 3  
♥ Q 8 6  
♦ 6  
♣ J 10 9 2

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

**Deal 30**  
East Deals  
None Vul

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

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



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

4  
11 20  
5

♠ 10 9 4  
♥ 10 8 4 3  
♦ A J 9 7  
♣ 4 3

**Deal 31**

South Deals

N-S Vul

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

15  
6 4  
15

♠ A Q 6  
♥ K 7 3  
♦ K 6  
♣ K 10 6 5 3



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

♠ J 10 9 8 3  
♥ J 10 8  
♦ J 5  
♣ J 8 2

**Deal 32**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

4  
16 18  
2

♠ 10 9 5 3

♥ A 8 5 4

♦ 9 6

♣ 9 6 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J 10 5

♠ 2

♥ 10 9 3 2

♦ Q 10 8 7 5 2

♣ 7 4



**Deal 33**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 10 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ 6 2

♣ 10 8 3

27

3 3

7

♠ A K

♥ A Q 10 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

♠ 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 10 9 8 5 4

♣ Q J 9 5

***Deal 34***  
East Deals  
N-S Vul

**Deal 35**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 9 8 4 3

♥ Q 8 6

♦ 8 2

♣ 10 9 3

20

2 4

14

♠ K 7

♥ K 9

♦ A Q J 10 4

♣ A Q J 7



♠ A 6 2

♥ A 10 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ Q J 5

♥ J 7 5 3 2

♦ 9 6 3

♣ 5 4