

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A J T 5 3

♥ 8

♦ 7 5

♣ Q 8 7 6 3

♠ 7 4

♥ K Q J 7 5 4 2

♦ A 9 2

♣ 9

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 9 2

♥ T 6

♦ J T 6 4 3

♣ T 5 4

♠ K 8 6

♥ A 9 3

♦ K Q 8

♣ A K J 2

West	North	East	South
			2NT
Pass	3♦	Pass	3♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♥	All Pass	

6♥ by North

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After SOUTH opens 2NT, NORTH is pretty sure there will be a slam in

s.

But, the contract should be played from the SOUTH side so the opening lead doesn't go through any vulnerable

holding SOUTH might have.

NORTH transfers SOUTH to

s, then uses Blackwood to be sure they aren't

off two Aces. Missing one Ace he settles for 6

**Board 2**

South Deals  
None Vul

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

♠ K 9 8 5

♥ Q 7

♦ K 8 7

♣ J 9 6 5

N  
W E  
S

♠ Q J T 4  
♥ A 9 8 6 2  
♦ Q T 2  
♣ 4

♠ A 6  
♥ K J 5 3  
♦ A 6 5 4  
♣ K T 7

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	2NT	All Pass	

2NT by North

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NORTH has an invitational hand, (9 points), after SOUTH's 1NT opening.

With a 4-card suit she uses Stayman.

SOUTH then shows his 4-card

suit.

With no

fit, NORTH can only invite with 2NT, an invitation which

SOUTH declines.

**Board 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ Q
♥ 9 8 7
♦ Q T 9 6 4 3
♣ K 3 2

♠ A 7 5

♥ Q J 6

♦ A K 5 2

♣ Q T 9

N
W
E
S

♠ K 9 8 6 4
♥ A K 5 3
♦ J 8
♣ 6 4

West	North	East	South
	1NT	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	3♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

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Because SOUTH holds a 4-card Major suit, (

s), he starts his

responses with Stayman.

NORTH denies holding any 4-card Major suit so  
SOUTH gives up on

s.

He next bids showing five of them. He jumps to  
3 giving NORTH the choice

between 4 or 3NT.

With three trumps NORTH chooses 4 .

**Board 4**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 9 4  
♥ A 9 3  
♦ 8 7 4  
♣ T 8 7 2

♠ Q 8 6 5

♥ K 7 6 4

♦ A 3 2

♣ 5 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 2  
♥ T 8 5  
♦ K Q T 9 6  
♣ A 9 3

♠ A K 7 3  
♥ Q J 2  
♦ J 5  
♣ K Q J 6

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	Pass	2♠	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All Pass

4 ♠ by East

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NORTH has a poor 9 points, but does have two 4-card Majors. So he uses Stayman.

When SOUTH bids ♠ NORTH isn't strong enough to bid game herself, so she temporizes

with a 3♦ invitation.

SOUTH has a full 17 points so he accepts the invitation.

**Board 5**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 2  
♥ J T 8 6 3  
♦ 8 4 3 2  
♣ A K 6

♠ J T 8 7 6 5

♥ 9

♦ A Q 5

♣ T 7 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

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

♠ K Q  
♥ A Q 7 5  
♦ K T 9  
♣ Q J 8 4

West	North	East	South
			1NT
Pass	2♥	Pass	2♠
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

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NORTH, with 9 points and a 6-card suit, knows they should play in s.

The question is: how high?

NORTH transfers SOUTH to s then invites by raising to 3 .

SOUTH has only two trumps, (good ones, admittedly), but she has a maximum 17 point hand.

So she bids the game.