

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

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

West	North	East	South
	2 ♥	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♥ by North			

After opening 2 ♥ you reply to partner's Ogust 2 NT with 3 ♠, showing a maximum hand along with a good suit. Partner bids 4 ♥ and you pass.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 3
 ♥ 5
 ♦ A K Q 9 4
 ♣ A 8 7 2

8
 16 9
 7

West

2 NT

6 ♠

6 ♠ by East

♠ J 5 2

♥ A Q 10 2

♦ 10 3

♣ J 9 5 3



♠ 6

♥ K J 9 6 4

♦ J 8 6 2

♣ Q 10 6

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

2 ♠

3 ♠

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

♠ A Q 9 8 7 4

♥ 8 7 3

♦ 7 5

♣ K 4

Before you read this lesson you might have just jumped to a Blackwood 4 NT. But now you bid an Ogust 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♠. What do you bid next?

Wow! Partner has a maximum Weak 2-bid and a good trump suit, no doubt headed by the A Q. If he also has the ♥ A you might be cold for 7 ♠. Bid Blackwood if you must, but you don't really need to since partner could not possibly have The ♥ A AND ♠ A Q x x x x. Too many points for a Weak 2-bid. So you bid 6 ♠.