

Deal 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 4 ♥ 10 8 4 ♦ A 6 2 ♣ Q J 10 9 8 5	♠ K 5 ♥ A K 9 7 6 2 ♦ K 8 ♣ 7 6 4
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13 7 10 10	♠ A 9 7 2 ♥ Q J 5 3 ♦ Q J 7 5 3 ♣ —
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<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 NT	Pass	6 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by North			



When SOUTH makes a Splinter bid,
 showing

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support and â™£ shortness,

NORTH naturally thinks about slam.

She uses RKCB 4 NT, and SOUTH, with one Key Card and a â™£ Void, bids 6â™£.

Just what NORTH needed for the 6

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bid.

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 6 3
 ♥ K Q 10 4
 ♦ K Q 8 5
 ♣ 2

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17 16
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♠ J 5 4
 ♥ 7 6 3
 ♦ J 9 7
 ♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ Q 9 8 2
 ♥ A 9 5
 ♦ A 6 4
 ♣ K Q J

♠ 10 7
 ♥ J 8 2
 ♦ 10 3 2
 ♣ A 9 8 7 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
6 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 ♣ by East			

WEST thinks they should be in slam, and uses Stayman to check for a 4-4 Major fit.

When EAST announces four ♠'s WEST uses RKCB 4 NT.

EAST's 5♦ bid shows two Key Cards plus the ♦ Q.

This fills the holes in WEST's hand nicely, so she bids 6♦.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 7 5
♥ J 8 7
♦ 10 9 2
♣ A 10 8 4

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5 2
16

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2



♠ Q 4
♥ 6 3 2
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 7 6 5 3

♠ J 9 8 2
♥ A 9 5
♦ A J 4
♣ K Q J

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 NT
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♥
Pass	5 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
5 ♠ by South			

This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, NORTH uses RKCB after the 4-4 fit is discovered.

This time SOUTH shows two Key Cards without the â™ Q.

Now NORTH realizes that in addition to one outside Ace, there is a very possible loser

in trumps. So she stops at 5â™ .

Deal 4East Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 4
♥ J 9 5
♦ A K 7 6
♣ A 5 4

6
19 9
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West North East South
2 NT Pass 3 NT Pass
Pass Pass
3 NT by West

♠ Q J 10 9 8 5

♥ —

♦ Q J 9 4 2

♣ 3 2

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♠ 7 3 2
♥ A K Q 8 6 4
♦ 5 3
♣ 8 7

♠ 6
♥ 10 7 3 2
♦ 10 8

♣ K Q J 10 9 6

The chances of a slam on this hand are very small, and if WEST decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when EAST shows two Key Cards.

WEST has a better way to find out about the hand. She bids 2 NT asking EAST to further describe

his hand. EAST should then bid 3 NT, showing a solid suit headed by AKQ.

EAST cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so WEST just passes 3 NT.