

Deal 1
West Deals
None Vul

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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 7 4 3 2
♥ Q 6 5 2
♦ 9 6 5 3
♣ 8

♠ 8 6 5
♥ 7 4 3
♦ K Q 7 4 2
♣ 5 2

West North East South
1♣ Dbl Pass 1♦
Pass 2 NT Pass 3 NT
Pass Pass Pass
3 NT by North

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You double and partner responds 1♦. What do you bid next?

The pattern continues. Overcall 1 NT with 15-18. Double, then bid notrump with 19-20. Double then jump in notrump with 21-22. So you jump to 2 NT. Partner puts it to 3 NT.

Deal 2
South Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 10 3
♥ A J 8 2
♦ A Q 6
♣ 8 3

18 4
14 4

N
W E
S

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

♠ J 8 7
♥ K 10 5
♦ K 10 7 4
♣ A K 10

West North East South
Dbl Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass Pass Pass
2 ♠ by East

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have no choice. You absolutely may not pass. So you say 1 ♠. Partner now bids 2 ♠. What do you say?

Partner obviously has a good hand. Your response showed 0-8 points and he still found enough strength to invite you to bid game. However, with your 4-point square hand you must decline the invitation.

Deal 3West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 8

♥ A K Q 10 9 6 4

♦ A 9 7 2

♣ —

18
13 2
7

♠ A K J 3

♥ 5 2

♦ K Q 10 6

♣ K Q 5

N
W E
S

♠ 7 4 2

♥ J

♦ J 5 3

♣ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♠ Q 9 6 5

♥ 8 7 3

♦ 8 4

♣ A J 9 6

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

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

With 7 points you must make a minimum response. Even though ♣s is your best suit you should prefer to show a 4-card Major. So you bid 1 ♠. Partner raises to 2 ♠ and it is your turn to bid.

Your first response showed 0-8 points. Knowing that, partner still invited you to go on if you were at the high end of the range. With 7 HCP and a doubleton you are right at the maximum for your bid, so you bid 4 ♠.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ K 10 6 4
♦ Q J 9 8
♣ 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 9
♥ A 9 3 2
♦ K 10 6 3
♣ A K 7 5

♠ 7 2
♥ 8 5
♦ A 7 4 2
♣ J 9 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Dbl	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
4 ♥ by West			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Your hand falls in the 9-11 point mid-range response where you make a jump bid. With two decent suits you naturally choose the Major and bid 3 ♥. Partner raises you to game.