

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

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

16	♠ K 5 3
9 7	♥ 10 9 5 3
8	♦ 9 8 6 4
	♣ K Q

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
4 ♥ by North			



NORTH cannot see a game unless SOUTH has help in ♠s so she makes a Help Suit Game Try.

SOUTH has 8 points and the doubleton ♠K A Q so he bids the game.

**Deal 2**East Deals  
None Vul

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

**6**  
**13 14**  
**7**

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

**♠ A J 10**  
**♥ A Q 10 3**  
**♦ 9 4**  
**♣ Q J 6 4**

**♠ 7 6 2**  
**♥ K 8**  
**♦ A 6 5 2**  
**♣ 10 8 3 2**

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	3 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
3 NT by East			

WEST has a perfect hand on which to use Fourth Suit Forcing. If East can stop

â™ s, then 3 NT would be a great contract.

There is one problem - if WEST bids 1â™ at her second turn it is NOT considered

FSF, so she must jump to 2â™ .

EAST, win a fine â™ stopper, bids 3 NT.

**Deal 3**South Deals  
None Vul

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

**12**  
7 8  
**13**



♠ K 8 4 3 2  
♥ K Q 8 3  
♦ 7 3  
♣ A 5

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

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

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

first priority.

NORTH's 2

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bid is a perfect example of NMF.

It provides SOUTH with the opportunity to show either a 4-card

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suit,

OR 3-card â™ support.

In this hand SOUTH actually has both. When that happens, showing the

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s is

**Deal 4**East Deals  
None Vul

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

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



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

♠ 5 4  
 ♥ J 10 4  
 ♦ 9 4 3  
 ♣ K Q 7 5 3

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

WEST's 1 $\hat{a}$ <sup>TM</sup> bid is definitely forcing, but it is not FSF. In this one instance, all

bids at the one level, the  $\hat{a}$ <sup>TM</sup> bid shows a real suit.

So EAST shows the 4-card support and WEST bids game.

**Deal 5**North Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 5 2

♥ 10 8

♦ A Q J 5 2

♣ Q 10 3

14  
10 9  
7♠ A 6 4  
♥ A K 9 7 2  
♦ 7  
♣ K 8 6 5

W N E S

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♥ by North

NORTH could make a Help Suit Game  
Try in either ♠s or ♦s.

But she doesn't need the ♠ help as much as she does in ♦s, so she chooses ♦s.

SOUTH doesn't have a strong hand but has excellent help in ♦s

so he bids the game.

**Deal 6**

West Deals	♠ 8 7 2
None Vul	♥ A 7
	♦ Q 3 2
	♣ 10 9 6 4 2
♠ K J 10 5	♠ Q 6
♥ 10 9 6	♥ K J 8 5
♦ K 7	♦ A 9 8 5 4
♣ A Q J 3	♣ K 8
6	♠ A 9 4 3
14 13	♥ Q 4 3 2
7	♦ J 10 6
	♣ 7 5

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 ♠	Pass	3 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
3 NT by East			

Could EAST bid 2

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, (FSF), even though she actually has the suit?

Perhaps, but there is no reason to do so.  
WEST does not have four

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or he would have mentioned them before bidding â™ s.

EAST should ignore the

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suit and bid 3 NT.