

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 2  
♥ 8 7 6 4  
♦ K Q J T 8  
♣ A 9 4

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

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♠ T 8 3  
♥ A 9 3  
♦ A 6 5 3  
♣ T 8 5

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	2♣	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♠	All Pass	2♠

4 ♠ by North

**Baker Bidpractice/Set 5 6**

SOUTH has a 7-card suit but he is too strong to open with a preemptive bid.

So he opens 1 instead.

NORTH should respond 2 and SOUTH can do nothing but rebid the suit.

NORTH thinks there should be game and bids 4

**Board 2**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A J 8 3 2

♥ 6 2

♦ T 9

♣ T 9 8 6

♠ K Q

♥ Q J

♦ A K Q 6 5

♣ K J 4 2



♠ T 9 5

♥ T 8 5

♦ J 8 4 3

♣ A 7 3

♠ 7 6 4

♥ A K 9 7 4 3

♦ 7 2

♣ Q 5

West	North	East	South
			2♥
Pass	4♥	All Pass	

4♥ by North

s headed by the AK. The trump suit

would certainly be solid, but then SOUTH couldn't possibly have an outside Ace as well or he would have been

too strong for a Weak-twoopening. So NORTH just bids 4

Baker Bidpractice/Set 7  
SOUTH is too weak to open 1

but just right for 2

Wow! NORTH has 21 HCP and two good

s. Could this be time for a slam try?

Nope, no slam here. Suppose SOUTH has six

**Board 3**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 9 2

♥ A 9 8 5

♦ J T 7 6

♣ 9 6

♠ A Q 5

♥ 4

♦ K Q 9 4

♣ K J 7 4 2



♠ T 7 6 4

♥ T 3

♦ A 3 2

♣ A Q T 3

♠ J 8 3

♥ K Q J 7 6 2

♦ 8 5

♣ 8 5

West	North	East	South
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2♥

All Pass

2♥ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set5 8  
NORTH really hates that 2

opening by SOUTH.

But there's no sense bidding and probably making matters worse, so she grits her

teeth and passes.

If you think 3NT has a chance you are delusional.

**Board 4**

North Deals

None Vul

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

♠ K 8 4  
♥ A Q T 6 4 2  
♦ 4  
♣ 9 6 5



♠ 9 7 2  
♥ K J 8 5  
♦ K J 7 3  
♣ T 4

♠ A Q J T 6 5  
♥ 7  
♦ A 9 5  
♣ K J 3

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

4 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 9  
SOUTH expects to be better off in than NORTH would be in 2

Whether or not you play a new suit as a one round force or not, NORTH should make the 3 bid with a hand this good. SOUTH then bids the game.

**Board 5**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 9 4 2

♥ 9 2

♦ T 8 7

♣ K J 7 5

♠ A K 7 5

♥ K 6 3

♦ K Q J 5 4

♣ A

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♠ Q T 8 3

♥ T

♦ A 9

♣ Q T 9 6 3 2

♠ 6

♥ A Q J 8 7 5 4

♦ 6 3 2

♣ 8 4

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

6 ♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set5 10  
SOUTH has a pretty normal 3

opening bid.

NORTH, however, has a big hand, and she launches into Blackwood.

When SOUTH shows one Ace NORTH can bid 6

with confidence.