

**Board 1**

South Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A 9 6 3

♥ Q 6 4

♦ A 9 6 2

♣ J 7



♠ J 5 2

♥ K 9 3

♦ T 8 7 3

♣ K 5 3

♠ K Q T 8 4

♥ A 7

♦ K Q 5

♣ Q T 6

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
All Pass			

4 ♠ by South

**Baker Bidpractice/Set3 7**

SOUTH has 17 points and might open 1NT. But with the 5-card Major suit she prefers

to open 1 .

NORTH has excellent support but with 11 points is not quite strong enough to insist

on reaching game. Instead he makes an invitational jump to 3 which SOUTH is strong

enough to raise to game.

**Board 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 9 5 3

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 4

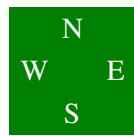
♣ K Q 9 6

♠ 8 7

♥ T 6 4

♦ K Q T 9 6

♣ T 7 3



♠ J T 4 2

♥ K Q 8 2

♦ 7 5 3

♣ J 4

♠ A K 6

♥ A J 9

♦ A J 2

♣ A 8 5 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

3NT

All Pass

2NT

3 NT by North

**Baker Bidpractice/Set3 8**

SOUTH has a powerful hand, but 21 points is not strong enough to start with a forcing 2 bid.

Since he has balanced distribution he opens 2NT (20-21 points).

NORTH adds her 6 points to SOUTH's minimum and concludes they should be in game. She expects her

good

suit to be useful to NORTH in Notrump so she bids 3NT.

**Board 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 4 2

♥ 9 7 6

♦ 7 5

♣ A 8 6 3

♠ J 6 3

♥ A K Q 8 2

♦ K 6

♣ T 9 5

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♠ K 8 7

♥ T 5 3

♦ A T 9 4 2

♣ Q 4

♠ T 9 5

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 8 3

♣ K J 7 2

West

North

East

South

1 ♥

Pass

1NT

All Pass

1 NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set3 9  
NORTH has a solid 1

opening, 14 points and five trumps.

SOUTH must respond with 8 points, but cannot bid either minor suit since he needs at least

11 points to bid a new suit at the 2-level. So he bids 1NT (6-10 points).

NORTH doesn't object to Notrump so she passes.

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 8  
♥ 8 6 3  
♦ K J T 6  
♣ K Q 9 8 3

♠ J 9 6 2

♥ K Q 7 5

♦ 8 3

♣ T 7 4



♠ A 5 4

♥ J T 9

♦ A Q 4 2

♣ J 5 2

♠ K Q T 7 3

♥ A 4 2

♦ 9 7 5

♣ A 6

West

North

East

South

Pass

2♠

All Pass

1♠

2♠ by North

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SOUTH has a normal 1 opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2 ,

passed by SOUTH.

NORTH does not consider showing the

s,

first because she knows there is a fit, and second because she doesn't have

the 11 points needed to bid a new suit at the 2-level.

Board 5  
South Deals  
N-S Vul

♠ Q 9 2  
♥ T 8 5 3  
♦ 8 3 2  
♣ 9 7 3

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

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W		E
	S	

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

West	North	East	South
Pass	6NT	All Pass	1NT

6NT by North

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With balanced distribution and 16 points SOUTH  
should open 1NT rather than 1

NORTH's response is based on simple math. He adds  
his 18 points to the 15 minimum that SOUTH has  
announced and

comes up with 33 points combined. This is enough  
for a small slam, and since he has balanced  
distribution

he bids 6NT.

**Board 6**

North Deals

E-W Vul

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

♠ Q J T 9 6

♥ A 7

♦ A Q 6

♣ A K 7



♠ 7 5 3

♥ 9 8

♦ K J T 9

♣ J 6 4 2

♠ K 4

♥ Q T 6

♦ 8 5 3 2

♣ Q 9 8 5

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠		
Pass	3NT	Pass	1NT
		All Pass	

3 NT by North

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NORTH is right at the maximum for a 1 opening bid

- one more point and he would

have opened 2 .

SOUTH does not have 3-card support but with 7 points must make some response.

She cannot bid at the 2-level so she says 1NT (6-10 points).

NORTH is fine with Notrump so he bids 3NT.