

Deal 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

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| \spadesuit A K 9 \heartsuit A J 8 2 \diamond A 6 \clubsuit A K 9 3 \spadesuit 10 5 3 \heartsuit 9 6 3 \diamond K J 10 5 3 \clubsuit 6 2 | \spadesuit 8 6 4 \heartsuit K 4 \diamond Q 9 8 4 \clubsuit Q J 10 7 \spadesuit Q J 7 2 \heartsuit Q 10 7 5 \diamond 7 2 \clubsuit 8 5 4 |
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| <i>West</i> 23 4 8 5 | <i>North</i> 2 \clubsuit <i>East</i> Pass <i>South</i> 2 \diamond 3 \clubsuit 4 \heartsuit Pass |

4 \heartsuit by North

suit and SOUTH bids 4

$\hat{a}^{TM}\$$

NORTH opens 2 $\hat{a}^{TM}\$$ and SOUTH responds 2

$\hat{a}^{TM}\$$

showing fewer than 8 points.

NORTH bids 2 NT with a 23 point balanced hand.

SOUTH has enough points to bid 3 NT, but with two 4-card Major suits bids 3 $\hat{a}^{TM}\$$ Stayman instead. NORTH

won't confuse this as the second negative since that bid isn't used after a 2 NT rebid.

So NORTH shows her 4-card

$\hat{a}^{TM}\$$

Deal 2West Deals
None Vul

♠ A K 9
 ♥ A K 2
 ♦ A 8 3
 ♣ A Q 7 4

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24 11
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| | N | |
| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ J 7 4
 ♥ J 10 7 6 3
 ♦ Q 9 2
 ♣ 5 2

♠ Q 6 3
 ♥ Q 8 5
 ♦ K 7 6 4
 ♣ K J 3

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

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
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| 2♣ | Pass | 2 NT | Pass |
| 3 NT | Pass | 6 NT | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 6 NT by East | | | |

EAST has a balanced hand with 11 points, so she responds 2 NT to WEST's 2 \hat{a} opening bid.

WEST bids 3 NT. This shows 22-24 points, a hand he was planning to rebid 2 NT.

EAST knows the side has at least 33 points, but no more than 35 so she bids 6 NT.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

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

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| 4 | ♦ 10 6 5 |
| 7 9 | ♣ A J 10 7 5 |
| 20 | |

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| N | ♠ J 5 3 |
| W | ♥ J 6 |
| E | ♦ K J 9 8 3 |
| S | ♣ K 4 2 |

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| ♠ A K Q 8 6 |
| ♥ A K 10 8 2 |
| ♦ A |
| ♣ 8 6 |

| West | North | East | South |
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| | | | 2 ♣ |
| Pass | 2 ♦ | Pass | 2 ♠ |
| Pass | 2 NT | Pass | 3 ♥ |
| Pass | 4 ♥ | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
| 4 ♥ by South | | | |

SOUTH has both Majors and enough points to open 2 \hat{a}^{TM} £.

NORTH, with 4 points, responds with a negative 2

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}!$

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SOUTH first bids her higher ranking suit, 2 \hat{a}^{TM} .

NORTH is too strong for second negative, he bids 2 NT.

SOUTH now shows her second suit, 3

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}Y$

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NORTH is happy to bid the game in

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}Y$

s.

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q 2
 ♥ A K Q 5
 ♦ K 7 5
 ♣ K Q 10

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23 **11**
4

♠ J 8 5
 ♥ J 10 6 4
 ♦ 10 9 2
 ♣ 9 4 3

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| W | | E |
| | S | |

♠ K 7 3
 ♥ 9 8 2
 ♦ A Q J 8 6
 ♣ J 2

♠ 10 9 6 4
 ♥ 7 3
 ♦ 4 3
 ♣ A 8 7 6 5

| <i>West</i> | <i>North</i> | <i>East</i> | <i>South</i> |
|--------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| 2♣ | Pass | 3♦ | Pass |
| 3 NT | Pass | 6 NT | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | | |
| 6 NT by West | | | |

WEST has a balanced hand with 23 points. He opens 2 \hat{a}^{TM} and expects to rebid 2 NT.

EAST has 12 points so makes a positive response in her best suit. Since that suit is

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

s she must jump to the 3-level.

WEST now describes his balanced, minimum hand by bidding 3 NT.

EAST bids 6 NT, knowing that the partnership holds at least 34 points.

Deal 5

North Deals
None Vul

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

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| 25 | ♠ A 10 9 7 2 |
| 4 3 | ♥ 9 7 5 |
| 8 | ♦ 8 5 2 |

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|--------------|-------|------|-------|
| West | North | East | South |
| | 2 ♣ | Pass | 2 ♠ |
| Pass | 3 ♥ | Pass | 4 ♥ |
| Pass | 4 NT | Pass | 5 ♥ |
| Pass | 6 ♥ | Pass | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |
| 6 ♥ by North | | | |

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| N | W | E | S |
| ♠ Q J 5 | ♥ 10 6 4 | ♦ 10 7 3 | ♣ 10 8 5 2 |

pass

pass

SOUTH, with 9 points and a 5-card suit, should make a positive response, 2 \hat{a} TM.

NORTH bids her

 \hat{a} TMY

s and SOUTH agrees the trump suit with a

4

 \hat{a} TMY

bid.

NORTH thinks there is a slam, so she invokes Blackwood. Hearing that SOUTH

holds two Aces she bids

6 NT. She could also have bid 6

 \hat{a} TMY

but 6 NT scores a little more.