

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 7 3
♥ Q 9 5
♦ A 4 3
♣ 8 6 4 3

♠ K Q J 9 6

♥ 4

♦ K Q J 7

♣ A K Q



♠ 5 2
♥ K J T 6 2
♦ 8 6 2
♣ J T 9

♠ A 8 4
♥ A 8 7 3
♦ T 9 5
♣ 7 5 2

West	North	East	South
	2♣	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

6 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 1
2NT shows a balanced hand with 8+ points, and when SOUTH then supports s

NORTH makes a slam try.

NORTH bids RKC Blackwood 4NT. SOUTH shows two Keycards (two Aces) and NORTH bids 6 .

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J
♥ Q J 8 5
♦ Q T 9 7
♣ Q 4 2

♠ T 9 8 5 3

♥ -

♦ A 4

♣ T 8 7 6 5 3



♠ A Q 7
♥ K T 7 4 2
♦ K J 3
♣ A K

♠ 6 4 2

♥ A 9 6 3

♦ 8 6 5 2

♣ J 9

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

5♥ by East

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 2
WEST has a decent Limit Raise, and EAST tries RKC Blackwood.

WEST replies to the 4NT bid with 5

, zero or three Keycards.

So which is it, zero or three?

Pretty simple - since EAST holds three Keycards himself WEST can hardly have three also since there

are only five total. She must have zero and EAST signs off at 5

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Board 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5
♥ A 6 3 2
♦ 8 5 4
♣ 8 6 4 2

♠ K T 7 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ A 6

♣ A 3



♠ A Q 8 6 3 2
♥ 5
♦ K Q 7
♣ K Q 5

West	North	East	South
	1♥	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♦	Pass	6♠
All Pass			

6 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 3

NORTH jumps to 4 confident that SOUTH could make 10 tricks

even if he just has 6 points.

SOUTH knows he can make more and bids RKCB 4NT.

NORTH's 5

response shows zero or three Keycards.

So which is it? Zero or three?

NORTH bid much too strongly to have no Aces.
SOUTH

bids a confident 6 knowing NORTH has either three Aces or two Aces plus the K.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6
♥ A K 9 7 5 4
♦ 6
♣ K Q J T 3

♠ Q 8 4 3

♥ J 6 2

♦ K 9 3

♣ A 8 5



♠ A 7 5
♥ Q T 8 3
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ 9 2

♠ K J T 9 2
♥ -
♦ Q J T 7 2
♣ 7 6 4

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

6♥ by West

Baker Bidpractice/Set 4

With eleven cards in the "round" suits WEST has a lot of playing strength. So when EAST bids

a Limit Raise in

s WEST wants to know about Aces.

RKCB Blackwood tells him that EAST has two Aces plus the trump Queen, so WEST can see that 6

is practically a certainty.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T
 ♥ 3
 ♦ A 7 5
 ♣ Q J 9 8 6 5 3 2

♠ A K 9 8 4 2

♥ K Q T 6

♦ 8 4

♣ A

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♠ 6 5
 ♥ 9 8 7 4 2
 ♦ K Q J 9
 ♣ T 7

♠ Q J 7 3
 ♥ A J 5
 ♦ T 6 3 2
 ♣ K 4

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

4 ♠ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set 8 5

NORTH has interest in slam after she hears SOUTH's Limit Raise.

BUT, she should not use Blackwood holding two quick losers in the

suit.

Instead she makes a Control showing bid of 4 (Not Gerber since it didn't follow a NT bid.)

SOUTH cooperates by making a Control bid of 4

NORTH stops at 4 because neither partner controls

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