

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 6 3

♥ 5

♦ 9 7 4 3 2

♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2



♠ Q J 8 2

♥ K Q T 8 4 2

♦ T

♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A J 6

♣ K 9 7 4

West North East South

1NT 2♥

All Pass

3NT by South

Baker Leben 13

With 12 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand. If it had not been for the ♥ overcall you would just have jumped to 3NT.

Playing lebensohl you do the same thing, jump to 3NT. Since you went directly to 3NT you are telling partner you have that type of hand, but DO NOT have a ♥ stopper (DIRECT DENIES).

Partner does have them stopped so he passes.

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ Q T 4
♥ K J 6
♦ A 9 7
♣ K T 8 3

♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J 5
♥ 9 7
♦ K Q T 8 3
♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7
♥ A Q T 5 3 2
♦ J
♣ 9 6 5

West	North	East	South
		1NT	2♥
2NT	Pass	3♣	Pass
3NT	All Pass		

3 NT by West

Baker Leben 14

Partner's 2NT bid requests that you bid 3♣, so you do.

He next says 3NT.

Partner's bidding shows a hand with which he would have bid 3NT without the overcall. Furthermore, he promises a ♥ stopper. He expects you to pass, so you do.

Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9
N
W E
S
♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2
♦ T 8 6
♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2
♥ A Q
♦ A K 5 3
♣ K T 9 3

West	North	East	South
2♠	2NT	Pass	1NT
Pass	3NT	All Pass	3♣

3 NT by North

Baker Leben 15

With your 12 point balanced hand you know you are going to play in game. Since you have no interest in looking for a 4-4 Major suit fit you also know that game is going to be 3NT. But you can't actually BID 3NT, because partner would almost surely take you out to a minor suit. Remember, a DIRECT 3NT bid DENIES a stopper in their suit. Since you have West's ♠ suit stopped, you first bid a lebensohl 2NT.

Partner says 3♣. What do you bid?

You now complete the picture of your hand by bidding 3NT. (SLOW SHOWS). Partner passes.

Board 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2
 ♥ Q
 ♦ 6 5
 ♣ Q J T 9

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5



♠ -
 ♥ J T 8 5 3 2
 ♦ A T 9 4
 ♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5
 ♥ A K 7
 ♦ K Q 7 3
 ♣ A 7 4

West	North	East	South
			1NT
2♠	Dbl	All Pass	

2 ♠ X by West

Baker Leben 16

Playing lebensohl, when partner doubles the overcall it is for penalties.

Since you trust your partner, you pass.

Board 5

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

West	North	East	South
			1NT
2♦	2NT	Pass	3♣
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
All Pass			

4♥ by South

Baker Leben 17

With 9 points you don't want to sign-off with 2♥.

But you aren't strong enough to force to game with a 3♥ bid either. So you start an invitational sequence by bidding 2NT.

Partner says 3♣. What do you bid?

Now you bid 3♥. Partner will realize you have better than a sign-off, but were not good enough to bid 3♥ immediately. He has a maximum, and he knows you have a 5-card suit, so he bids 4♥.

Board 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A J 6 3
♥ 9 4
♦ A 8 5
♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 5
♥ T 8
♦ K Q 7 3
♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4

♥ A K Q 5 3 2

♦ J 4 2

♣ 9 6

West	North	East	South
		1NT	2♥
3♥	Pass	4♣	Pass
5♣	All Pass		

5♣ by West

Baker Leben 18

Partner's bid asks if you have 4 ♠s, and denies a ♥ stopper. (DIRECT DENIES)

You don't have 4 ♠s, nor can you stop ♥s. You have no choice but to bid one of the 4-card Minor suits, so you go up-the-line and bid 4♣. Partner bids 5♣.

Board 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 6 3

♥ 5

♦ 9 7 4 3 2

♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2



♠ Q J 8 2
♥ K Q T 8 4 2
♦ T
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A J 6

♣ K 9 7 4

Board 8

West Deals

None Vul

♦ Q T 4

♥ K J 6

♦ A 9 7

♣ K T 8 3

♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2



♠ A J 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K Q T 8 3

♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7

♥ A Q T 5 3 2

♦ J

♣ 9 6 5

Board 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9

♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2

♦ T 8 6

♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2

♥ A Q

♦ A K 5 3

♣ K T 9 3

Board 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2

♥ Q

♦ 6 5

♣ Q J T 9



♠ -

♥ J T 8 5 3 2

♦ A T 9 4

♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K 7

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A 7 4

Board 11

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

Board 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A J 6 3

♥ 9 4

♦ A 8 5

♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2



♠ K Q 5
♥ T 8
♦ K Q 7 3
♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4

♥ A K Q 5 3 2

♦ J 4 2

♣ 9 6

Board 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 6 3

♥ 5

♦ 9 7 4 3 2

♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2



♠ Q J 8 2
♥ K Q T 8 4 2
♦ T
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A J 6

♣ K 9 7 4

Board 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q T 4

♥ K J 6

♦ A 9 7

♣ K T 8 3

♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2



♠ A J 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K Q T 8 3

♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7

♥ A Q T 5 3 2

♦ J

♣ 9 6 5

Board 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9
♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2
♦ T 8 6
♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2
♥ A Q
♦ A K 5 3
♣ K T 9 3

Board 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2

♥ Q

♦ 6 5

♣ Q J T 9



♠ -

♥ J T 8 5 3 2

♦ A T 9 4

♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K 7

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A 7 4

Board 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

Board 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A J 6 3
♥ 9 4
♦ A 8 5
♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 5
♥ T 8
♦ K Q 7 3
♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4

♥ A K Q 5 3 2

♦ J 4 2

♣ 9 6

Board 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 6 3
♥ 5
♦ 9 7 4 3 2
♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 8 2
♥ K Q T 8 4 2
♦ T
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4
♥ 7 6 3
♦ A J 6
♣ K 9 7 4

Board 20

West Deals

Both Vul

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2

♠ Q T 4

♥ K J 6

♦ A 9 7

♣ K T 8 3



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 9 7

♣ A J 5

♦ K Q T 8 3

♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7

♥ A Q T 5 3 2

♦ J

♣ 9 6 5

Board 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9

♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2

♦ T 8 6

♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2

♥ A Q

♦ A K 5 3

♣ K T 9 3

Board 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2

♥ Q

♦ 6 5

♣ Q J T 9



♠ -

♥ J T 8 5 3 2

♦ A T 9 4

♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K 7

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A 7 4

Board 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

Board 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 6 3

♥ 9 4

♦ A 8 5

♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2



♠ K Q 5

♥ T 8

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4

♥ A K Q 5 3 2

♦ J 4 2

♣ 9 6

Board 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 6 3
♥ 5
♦ 9 7 4 3 2
♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 8 2
♥ K Q T 8 4 2
♦ T
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4
♥ 7 6 3
♦ A J 6
♣ K 9 7 4

Board 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2

♠ Q T 4

♥ K J 6

♦ A 9 7

♣ K T 8 3



♠ A J 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K Q T 8 3

♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7

♥ A Q T 5 3 2

♦ J

♣ 9 6 5

Board 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9
♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2
♦ T 8 6
♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2
♥ A Q
♦ A K 5 3
♣ K T 9 3

Board 28

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2
♥ Q
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J T 9

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5



♠ -

♥ J T 8 5 3 2

♦ A T 9 4

♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K 7

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A 7 4

Board 29

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

Board 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ A J 6 3
♥ 9 4
♦ A 8 5
♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 5
♥ T 8
♦ K Q 7 3
♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4
♥ A K Q 5 3 2
♦ J 4 2
♣ 9 6

Board 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 6 3

♥ 5

♦ 9 7 4 3 2

♣ J 6 5 3

♠ K 9 5

♥ A J 9

♦ K Q 8 5

♣ A T 2



♠ Q J 8 2
♥ K Q T 8 4 2
♦ T
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7 4

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A J 6

♣ K 9 7 4

Board 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q T 4

♥ K J 6

♦ A 9 7

♣ K T 8 3

♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4

♦ 6 5 4 2

♣ J 4 2



♠ A J 5

♥ 9 7

♦ K Q T 8 3

♣ A Q 7

♠ K 9 7

♥ A Q T 5 3 2

♦ J

♣ 9 6 5

Board 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J T 8 6 3

♥ 4

♦ 7 2

♣ A Q J 2

♠ A Q 5

♥ K 8 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9
♥ J T 9 7 6 5 2
♦ T 8 6
♣ 8 5

♠ 7 4 2
♥ A Q
♦ A K 5 3
♣ K T 9 3

Board 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A Q 9 6 4 2

♥ Q

♦ 6 5

♣ Q J T 9

♠ K J 7 3

♥ 9 6 4

♦ J 8 2

♣ K 6 5



♠ -

♥ J T 8 5 3 2

♦ A T 9 4

♣ 8 3 2

♠ T 8 5

♥ A K 7

♦ K Q 7 3

♣ A 7 4

Board 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q 7 4

♥ Q T 9 6 5

♦ 8 3

♣ A 8 3

♠ A T 9

♥ A 3

♦ K J T 7 5 4

♣ J 9



♠ 8 6 3 2

♥ 8 4 2

♦ Q 2

♣ 7 6 5 4

♠ K J 5

♥ K J 7

♦ A 9 6

♣ K Q T 2

Board 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A J 6 3

♥ 9 4

♦ A 8 5

♣ K J T 3

♠ T 8 7 2

♥ J 7 6

♦ T 9 6

♣ 8 5 2



♠ K Q 5
♥ T 8
♦ K Q 7 3
♣ A Q 7 4

♠ 9 4

♥ A K Q 5 3 2

♦ J 4 2

♣ 9 6