

Deal 1
South Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q 7 3
♥ K J 10 7
♦ 8 2
♣ 10 8 4
♠ 9 4
♥ Q 3 2
♦ A Q 5 4 3
♣ 9 7 2



♠ J 8 6 5 2
♥ 9 8 6 5
♦ 9 7
♣ A 3

10
8 5
17

♠ K 10
♥ A 4
♦ K J 10 6
♣ K Q J 6 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♣
1 ♦	Dbl	Pass	2 NT
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by South			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner's Negative Double in this situation shows both Majors. You can't support either Major but with 18 points and good ♦ stoppers you jump to 2 NT. Partner bids 3 NT and everybody passes.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 7 5
 ♥ A J 9 8 5 2
 ♦ J 7 3
 ♣ 10

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 6 2
 ♥ Q 3
 ♦ 10 4
 ♣ J 9 8 6 5 4 2

♠ K 9 8 3
 ♥ 10 4
 ♦ K Q 5 2
 ♣ A K Q

West	North	East	South
1 ♥	Dbl	Pass	1 ♦
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass			Pass
4 ♠ by South			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

If you bid 1 ♠ now it would be showing a 5-card ♠ suit. So instead you make a Negative Double. Partner jumps to 2 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner's jump shows a Medium hand, 16 - 18 points. Add your 11 and you have enough for game so you bid it.

Deal 3North Deals
None Vul

♠ Q
♥ 8 5 4
♦ 9 6 5 2
♣ 8 7 6 3 2

18
2 12
8

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A J 9 7 5 2
♥ 10 9 6 3
♦ J
♣ A Q

♠ K 10 8 4
♥ K J 7 2
♦ 7 3
♣ J 9 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♦	1 ♠	Dbl
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	3 NT
3 NT by South			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You have a very good hand but only 2 of partner's ♥ suit. You are actually too strong to just jump in ♦s so you cue-bid the opponent's suit. Partner now bids 3 NT which you pass.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K J 9 7 4

♥ —

♦ A 10 5 3

♣ 10 8 3

♠ 10 8 2	♦ K Q 9 4	♣ A J 9 6
♥ 9 3		
♦ K Q 9 4		
♣ A J 9 6		

♠ 6 5	♦ J 10 6 5 4	♣ K Q 4 2
♥ J 10 6 5 4		
♦ J 6		
♣ K Q 4 2		

♠ Q 3
♥ A K Q 8 7 2
♦ 8 7 2
♣ 7 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

2 ♥ by South

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Ahhh, a perfect Negative Double. Both Majors have been bid and you have 4 cards in each Minor. So you double. Partner bids 2 ♥. What do you say next?

Well let's see. Partner shows no interest in your two Minors or notrump. And he has 6 ♥s and a minimum hand. He wants to play it at 2 ♥ so you pass and let him.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 8 2
 ♥ 10 5
 ♦ K J 9 6
 ♣ A 8 6 3 2

♠ K J 10 7 6 5 4

♥ K 7

♦ A 10 2

♣ Q

8
 13 3
 16

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q
 ♥ 8 3 2
 ♦ 8 7 5 3
 ♣ J 10 9 7 5

♠ A 9 3
 ♥ A Q J 9 6 4
 ♦ Q 4
 ♣ K 4

West North East South

1 ♠	Dbl	Pass	1 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass			Pass

4 ♥ by South

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Partner is showing both Minors but you are not interested in either one. Bidding notrump is a possibility but with just a single ♠ stopper is not advisable. With 18 points and a 6-card suit you jump in the suit. You bid 3 ♥ and partner raises to 4 ♥.

Deal 6

South Deals	♠ 10 8		
None Vul	♥ 9 3		
	♦ AJ 9 4		
	♣ K Q 9 6 5		
♠ K 5	♠ A Q J 9 6 4 3		
♥ Q J 10 7 6 2	♥ —		
♦ 6 3	♦ 10 8 2		
♣ A 10 3	♣ 8 7 2		
	♠ 7 2		
10	♥ A K 8 5 4		
10 7	♦ K Q 7 5		
13	♣ J 4		
West	North	East	South
2 ♥	Dbl	Pass	1 ♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 ♦
3 ♦ by South			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

When the two Majors have been bid, a Negative Double shows both Minors. So you double. Partner now bids 3 ♦. What do you say next?

This is difficult. You forced partner to bid and he supported your known ♦s. But he didn't jump so you figure him for 13-15 points. Revaluing your hand you get up to 13 points so it is just possible you have a 28 point total. That's not enough for game in ♦s so you pass.

As you can see you will lose 2 ♣s and 1 ♣ so you made the right decision.