

**Deal 1**South Deals  
None Vul

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

**16**  
**3 7**  
**14**

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A Q J 6 5 2  
♥ K 8 2  
♦ Q  
♣ A 8 5

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

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 NT
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♦
Pass	6 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♠ by North			

When NORTH makes a slam try with a jump to 3 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ , the best approach for SOUTH is to agree on

the trump suit immediately but indicate a minimum hand by bidding 4 $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ .

NORTH's next move is logical; RKCB 4 NT.

SOUTH shows zero or three Key Cards, and since it could not possibly be zero, NORTH knows they are

the  $\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$  K and both red Aces. Even possessing all the Key Cards NORTH knows there aren't

enough points for a Grand slam.

<b>Deal 2</b>	♠ Q J 6
West Deals	♥ 10 5
None Vul	♦ 10 9 8 6 2
	♣ K 5 4
♠ 9 5	
♥ A K 9 8 7 4 2	N
♦ 7 3	W E
♣ 8 7	S

**♠** 10 8 7 4 3 2  
**♥** 6  
**♦** J 4  
**♣** Q 5

<b>♣ Q J 10 3</b>			
<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
3 ♥	Pass	4 NT	Pass
5 ♥	Pass	7 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
7 NT by East			

It is usually not recommended to use any form of Blackwood when you have a suit with two quick

losers, but EAST knows WEST would not preempt with a 10-high

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suit.

WEST's reply to RKCB is 5

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, showing two Key Cards.

EAST knows they are the

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K

so she can count thirteen tricks.

She bids a confident 7 NT (and hopes WEST didn't open 3

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with a 6-card suit.

**Deal 3**South Deals  
None Vul

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

<sup>11</sup>  
 4 5  
<sup>20</sup>

♠ J 9 6 4 3

♥ A Q 3

♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

	N	
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♠ A  
 ♥ J 9 8 2  
 ♦ 6 4 2  
 ♣ 10 9 7 6 2

♠ Q 10 8 7 5  
 ♥ K 6  
 ♦ A K 3  
 ♣ A K J

West	North	East	South
			1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

5 ♠ by South

SOUTH has 21 points, and when she hears NORTH make a limit raise she tries for slam with RKCB.

NORTH answers with just one Key Card so SOUTH stops at 5<sup>â™</sup>, knowing they are missing

two Key Cards.

Of course she didn't expect the two missing Key Cards to be the Ace and King of trumps!

**Deal 4**West Deals  
None Vul

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

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♠ 10 7 2	♦ 9 2	♣ Q 10 2
♥ J 10 8 4 2		
	♦ 7 6 4	♣ K 9 6
	♥ A Q 9 6	
♠ 9 8 4 3		
♥ 3		
♦ A J 10 8		
♣ 8 7 4 3		

W	N
S	E

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 ♦	Pass	1 ♥	Pass
2 NT	Pass	4 NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
4 NT by West			

What is this doing here in the RKCB Practice Pages?

To emphasize that there are many 4 NT bids which are NOT asking for Aces.

In this case, WEST showed a balanced hand with 18 or 19 points, and EAST invited him

to bid 6 NT if he felt his hand was a "maximum". He didn't, so he passed.

**Deal 5**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ K 5  
♥ A K 9 7 6 2  
♦ K 8  
♣ 7 6 4

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

**13**  
**7 10**  
**10**  
♣ —

N  
W E  
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♠ Q J 10 8 6 3  
♥ —  
♦ 10 9 4  
♣ A K 3 2

♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ Q J 5 3  
♦ Q J 7 5 3  
♣ —

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 NT	Pass	6 ♣
Pass	6 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 ♥ by North			

When SOUTH makes a Splinter bid,  
showing

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support and â™£ shortness,

NORTH naturally thinks about slam.

She uses RKCB 4 NT, and SOUTH, with one Key Card and a â™£ Void, bids 6â™£.

Just what NORTH needed for the 6

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bid.

**Deal 6**East Deals  
None Vul

♠ A K 6 3  
 ♥ K Q 10 4  
 ♦ K Q 8 5  
 ♣ 2

**2**  
**17** **16**  
**5**

♠ J 5 4	♦ J 9 7
♥ 7 6 3	♣ 10 6 5 3
♦ J 9 7	♠ Q 9 8 2
♣ 10 6 5 3	♥ A 9 5
W N E S	♦ A 6 4
	♣ K Q J

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

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
		1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
6 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 ♣ by East			

WEST thinks they should be in slam, and uses Stayman to check for a 4-4 Major fit.

When EAST announces four ♠'s WEST uses RKCB 4 NT.

EAST's 5♦ bid shows two Key Cards plus the ♦ Q.

This fills the holes in WEST's hand nicely, so she bids 6♦.

**Deal 7**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ A Q J 6 5 2

♥ K 8 2

♦ Q

♣ A 8 5

♠ 10

♥ Q 5 4 3

♦ 10 7 5

♣ J 7 6 4 2



♠ 8 7 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ K J 4 3

♣ Q 10 3

♠ K 9 3

♥ A 10 6

♦ A 9 8 6 2

♣ K 9

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**Deal 8**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 6

♥ 10 5

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ K 5 4

♠ 9 5

♥ A K 9 8 7 4 2

♦ 7 3

♣ 8 7



♠ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 4

♣ Q J 10 3

6  
7 23  
4

**Deal 9**      ♠ J 9 6 4 3

North Deals      ♥ A Q 3

E-W Vul      ♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

♠ K 2

♥ 10 7 5 4

♦ J 10 9 8 5

♣ 8 4



♠ A

♥ J 9 8 2

♦ 6 4 2

♣ 10 9 7 6 2

**11**

**4 5**

**20**

**Deal 10**

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 7 2  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 9 2  
♣ Q 10 2

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

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

♠ 9 8 4 3  
♥ 3  
♦ A J 10 8  
♣ 8 7 4 3

**Deal 11**

	♠ K 5
South Deals	♥ A K 9 7 6 2
None Vul	♦ K 8
	♣ 7 6 4
♠ 4	♠ Q J 10 8 6 3
♥ 10 8 4	♥ —
♦ A 6 2	♦ 10 9 4
♣ Q J 10 9 8 5	♣ A K 3 2
	♠ A 9 7 2
13 7 10	♥ Q J 5 3
	♦ Q J 7 5 3
	♣ —

N  
W E  
S

**Deal 12**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ J 9 7  
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K Q 10 4  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ Q 9 8 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ A 6 4  
♣ K Q J

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17 16  
5  
♠ 10 7  
♥ J 8 2  
♦ 10 3 2  
♣ A 9 8 7 4

**Deal 13**      ♠ A Q J 6 5 2

North Deals      ♥ K 8 2

Both Vul      ♦ Q

♣ A 8 5

♠ 10

♥ Q 5 4 3

♦ 10 7 5

♣ J 7 6 4 2

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 7 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ K J 4 3

♣ Q 10 3

**16**  
**3 7**  
**14**

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

**Deal 14**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ Q J 6

♥ 10 5

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ K 5 4

♠ 9 5

♥ A K 9 8 7 4 2

♦ 7 3

♣ 8 7



♠ A K

♥ Q J 3

♦ A K Q 5

♣ A 9 6 2

♠ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 4

♣ Q J 10 3

6  
7 23  
4

**Deal 15**      ♠ J 9 6 4 3

South Deals      ♥ A Q 3

N-S Vul      ♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

♠ K 2

♥ 10 7 5 4

♦ J 10 9 8 5

♣ 8 4



**11**

**4 5**

**20**

**Deal 16**

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 7 2  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 9 2  
♣ Q 10 2

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

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**18** 14  
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W E  
S

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

♠ 9 8 4 3  
♥ 3  
♦ A J 10 8  
♣ 8 7 4 3

**Deal 17**

♠ K 5  
North Deals ♥ A K 9 7 6 2  
None Vul ♦ K 8  
♣ 7 6 4  
♠ 4  
♥ 10 8 4  
♦ A 6 2  
♣ Q J 10 9 8 5  
**13**  
**7 10**  
♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ Q J 5 3  
♦ Q J 7 5 3  
♣ —

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	S	

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

**Deal 18**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ J 9 7  
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K Q 10 4  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ Q 9 8 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ A 6 4  
♣ K Q J

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

**Deal 19**      ♠ A Q J 6 5 2

South Deals      ♥ K 8 2

E-W Vul      ♦ Q

♣ A 8 5

♠ 10

♥ Q 5 4 3

♦ 10 7 5

♣ J 7 6 4 2

N  
W     E  
S

♠ 8 7 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ K J 4 3

♣ Q 10 3

♠ K 9 3

♥ A 10 6

♦ A 9 8 6 2

♣ K 9

**16**  
**3 7**  
**14**

**Deal 20**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J 6

♥ 10 5

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ K 5 4

♠ 9 5

♥ A K 9 8 7 4 2

♦ 7 3

♣ 8 7



♠ A K

♥ Q J 3

♦ A K Q 5

♣ A 9 6 2

♠ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 4

♣ Q J 10 3

**Deal 21**      ♠ J 9 6 4 3

North Deals      ♥ A Q 3

N-S Vul      ♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

♠ K 2

♥ 10 7 5 4

♦ J 10 9 8 5

♣ 8 4

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W   E  
S

♠ A  
♥ J 9 8 2  
♦ 6 4 2  
♣ 10 9 7 6 2

♠ Q 10 8 7 5

♥ K 6

♦ A K 3

♣ A K J

**11**  
**4 5**  
**20**

**Deal 22**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 7 2  
♥ J 10 8 4 2  
♦ 9 2  
♣ Q 10 2

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

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**18** 14  
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♠ K Q 5  
♥ A Q 9 6  
♦ 7 6 4  
♣ K 9 6

♠ 9 8 4 3  
♥ 3  
♦ A J 10 8  
♣ 8 7 4 3

**Deal 23**

South Deals    ♠ K 5  
Both Vul      ♥ A K 9 7 6 2  
                 ♦ K 8  
                 ♣ 7 6 4  
  
♠ 4              ♠ Q J 10 8 6 3  
♥ 10 8 4        ♥ —  
♦ A 6 2         ♦ 10 9 4  
♣ Q J 10 9 8 5    ♣ A K 3 2  
  
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    7    10  
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W   E  
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♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ Q J 5 3  
♦ Q J 7 5 3  
♣ —

**Deal 24**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ J 9 7  
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K Q 10 4  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ 2

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W E  
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♠ Q 9 8 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ A 6 4  
♣ K Q J

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

**Deal 25** ♠ A Q J 6 5 2

North Deals ♥ K 8 2

E-W Vul ♦ Q

♣ A 8 5

♠ 10

♥ Q 5 4 3

♦ 10 7 5

♣ J 7 6 4 2

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W E  
S

♠ 8 7 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ K J 4 3

♣ Q 10 3

**16**

**3**

**14**

♠ K 9 3

♥ A 10 6

♦ A 9 8 6 2

♣ K 9

**Deal 26**  
East Deals  
Both Vul

♠ Q J 6

♥ 10 5

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ K 5 4

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

N  
W E  
S

♠ A K

♥ Q J 3

♦ A K Q 5

♣ A 9 6 2

6  
7 23  
4

♠ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 4

♣ Q J 10 3

**Deal 27**      ♠ J 9 6 4 3

South Deals      ♥ A Q 3

None Vul      ♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

♠ K 2

♥ 10 7 5 4

♦ J 10 9 8 5

♣ 8 4



♠ A

♥ J 9 8 2

♦ 6 4 2

♣ 10 9 7 6 2

**11**  
4 5  
**20**

♠ Q 10 8 7 5

♥ K 6

♦ A K 3

♣ A K J

**Deal 28**

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 7 2

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 9 2

♣ Q 10 2

♠ A J 6

♥ K 7 5

♦ K Q 5 3

♣ A J 5



♠ K Q 5

♥ A Q 9 6

♦ 7 6 4

♣ K 9 6

♠ 9 8 4 3

♥ 3

♦ A J 10 8

♣ 8 7 4 3

**18    14**  
**3        5**

**Deal 29**

♠ K 5  
North Deals ♥ A K 9 7 6 2  
Both Vul ♦ K 8  
♣ 7 6 4  
♠ 4  
♥ 10 8 4  
♦ A 6 2  
♣ Q J 10 9 8 5  
**13**  
**7 10**  
♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ Q J 5 3  
♦ Q J 7 5 3  
♣ —

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

**Deal 30**

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ J 9 7  
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K Q 10 4  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ 2

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W E  
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♠ Q 9 8 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ A 6 4  
♣ K Q J

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

**Deal 31** ♠ A Q J 6 5 2

South Deals ♥ K 8 2

N-S Vul ♦ Q

♣ A 8 5

♠ 10

♥ Q 5 4 3

♦ 10 7 5

♣ J 7 6 4 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ 8 7 4

♥ J 9 7

♦ K J 4 3

♣ Q 10 3

**16**

**3**

**14**

♠ K 9 3

♥ A 10 6

♦ A 9 8 6 2

♣ K 9

**Deal 32**

West Deals

♠ Q J 6

♥ 10 5

E-W Vul

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ K 5 4

♠ 9 5

♥ A K 9 8 7 4 2

♦ 7 3

♣ 8 7



♠ A K

♥ Q J 3

♦ A K Q 5

♣ A 9 6 2

♠ 10 8 7 4 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 4

♣ Q J 10 3

6  
7 23  
4

**Deal 33**      ♠ J 9 6 4 3

North Deals      ♥ A Q 3

None Vul      ♦ Q 7

♣ Q 5 3

♠ K 2

♥ 10 7 5 4

♦ J 10 9 8 5

♣ 8 4



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4 5

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**Deal 34**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 7 2

♥ J 10 8 4 2

♦ 9 2

♣ Q 10 2

♠ A J 6

♥ K 7 5

♦ K Q 5 3

♣ A J 5



♠ K Q 5

♥ A Q 9 6

♦ 7 6 4

♣ K 9 6

♠ 9 8 4 3

♥ 3

♦ A J 10 8

♣ 8 7 4 3

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**Deal 35**

South Deals    ♠ K 5  
E-W Vul      ♥ A K 9 7 6 2  
                ♦ K 8  
                ♣ 7 6 4

♠ 4                 ♠ Q J 10 8 6 3  
♥ 10 8 4            ♥ —  
♦ A 6 2            ♦ 10 9 4  
♣ Q J 10 9 8 5    ♣ A K 3 2

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W   E  
S

♠ A 9 7 2  
♥ Q J 5 3  
♦ Q J 7 5 3  
♣ —

**13**  
**7 10**

**Deal 36**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 5 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ J 9 7  
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3  
♥ K Q 10 4  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ Q 9 8 2  
♥ A 9 5  
♦ A 6 4  
♣ K Q J

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