

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7

♥ A 7 5 2

♦ T 8 3

♣ T 4 3 2

♠ A 8 3 2

♥ K T 9

♦ A J 7

♣ K Q 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q 6 5

♥ 8 6 3

♦ 9 6 4

♣ A 8 7

♠ T 9 4

♥ Q J 4

♦ K Q 5 2

♣ J 9 5

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

3NT by North

## Baker Bidpractice/Set3 5

This is a classic Notrump bidding sequence.

NORTH opens 1NT with 17 points and balanced distribution.

SOUTH, with 9 points is not strong enough to bid game, but invites with 2NT.

NORTH has a maximum, so she accepts the invitation.

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K J 8 4

♥ A K 7 2

♦ 6 5

♣ K 9 3

♠ 7 5 3

♥ Q T 9 6

♦ K T 9

♣ Q T 4

	N	
	W	E
	S	

♠ A Q T 6

♥ 5 4

♦ A 8 7 4

♣ A 8 2

♠ 9 2

♥ J 8 3

♦ Q J 3 2

♣ J 7 6 5

West	North	East	South
		1♦	Pass
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♠	All Pass		

4 ♠ by West

## Baker Bidpractice/Set3 6

With two 4-card Majors WEST should respond

"up-the-line", bidding

s first.

Then, after EAST bids 1 ♦ WEST has enough points to jump all the way to 4 ♠.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7  
♥ J T 8 5 2  
♦ J 4  
♣ A 9 8 4 2

♠ A 9 6 3

♥ Q 6 4

♦ A 9 6 2

♣ J 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 5 2  
♥ K 9 3  
♦ T 8 7 3  
♣ K 5 3

♠ K Q T 8 4  
♥ A 7  
♦ K Q 5  
♣ Q T 6

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

4 ♠ by South

## Baker Bidpractice/Set3 7

SOUTH has 17 points and might open 1NT. But with the 5-card Major suit she prefers

to open 1 .

NORTH has excellent support but with 11 points is not quite strong enough to insist

on reaching game. Instead he makes an invitational jump to 3 which SOUTH is strong

enough to raise to game.

**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A K 6

♥ A J 9

♦ A J 2

♣ A 8 5 2

♠ Q 9 5 3

♥ 7 5 3

♦ 8 4

♣ K Q 9 6

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 8 7

♥ T 6 4

♦ K Q T 9 6

♣ T 7 3

♠ J T 4 2

♥ K Q 8 2

♦ 7 5 3

♣ J 4

West	North	East	South
2NT	Pass	3NT	All Pass

3 NT by East

## Baker Bidpractice/Set3 8

WEST has a powerful hand, but 21 points is not strong enough to start with a forcing 2 bid.

Since he has balanced distribution he opens 2NT (20-21 points).

EAST adds her 6 points to WEST's minimum and concludes they should be in game. She expects her

good

suit to be useful to EAST in Notrump so she bids 3NT.