

Deal 1

East Deals
None Vul

♠ Q 10 7
♥ 7 5 3
♦ Q 5 2
♣ J 9 8 2

10
5 15
10

♠ A 9 3 2
♥ J 10 6
♦ 7 3
♣ K Q 6 5



♠ 5 4
♥ K Q 9 8 2
♦ A J 10 9 6
♣ 3

♠ K J 8 6
♥ A 4
♦ K 8 4
♣ A 10 7 4

West	North	East	South
		1 NT	2 ♦
Pass	2 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♥ by North			

With T HCP and T red cards you have a good enough hand for an immediate DONT bid. So you bid 2 ♦, promising that suit and a Major.

Partner responds 2 ♥.

Don't get carried away, partner isn't really bidding a ♥ suit as much as he is letting you know he doesn't like ♦s. You were only competing for a partscore and here you are in a partscore. You pass.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 5 4
 ♥ 9 8 2
 ♦ A 8 6 5
 ♣ 9 7 3

17
 4 12
 7

West

2 ♣

Pass

2 ♥ by East

♠ K Q 10

♥ Q 4

♦ K J 10

♣ K Q J 8 4



♠ J 8 7 3

♥ 7 5

♦ Q 9 4 2

♣ A 10 2

North

1 NT

Pass

Pass

East

Dbl

2 ♥

South

Pass

Pass

You have a terrible hand but you still cannot pass partner's double. He is requesting you to bid 2 ♣ as a relay bid so he can name his suit.

You dutifully respond 2 ♣ and he says 2 ♥.

You didn't want to bid the first time, this time you definitely pass.

Deal 3

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 3 2

♥ 6

♦ J 10 9 6

♣ K Q J 3 2

4
7 15
14

♠ Q 10 8 5 4

♥ Q 10 9 8 2

♦ 5 3

♣ 7



♠ K J 9

♥ A 4

♦ Q 8 7 2

♣ A 9 6 5

♠ A 7

♥ K J 7 5 3

♦ A K 4

♣ 10 8 4

*West**North**East**South*

Pass

2 ♥

1 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 ♠

2 ♠ by South

OK, you only have 4 HCP. But you have T cards in the Majors. And, you are in the balancing seat. If West is willing to let it die at 1 NT your partner must have some strength. So you should use DONT. You bid 2 ♥, showing both Major suits.

Partner responds 2 ♠.

Partner prefers ♠s to ♥s. Since you were bare minimum you pass.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 7 5
♥ 6 3
♦ K Q 7 5 2
♣ 6 5

15
9 10
6

♠ Q 4 2
♥ A Q 9 4
♦ A 3
♣ K 8 4 2

N
W E
S

♠ K J 10 6
♥ 10 7 5
♦ J 10 8
♣ J 10 9

♠ 8 3
♥ K J 8 2
♦ 9 6 4
♣ A Q 7 3

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	Pass	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass
2 ♦ by West			

Your hand is too balanced to intervene over North's 1 NT so you pass.

Then partner overcalls 2 ♦.

Partner has two suits, ♦s and one of the Majors. If his other suit is ♥s then a 2 ♥ bid by you would work great. But if his other suit is ♠s anything you say would not be good.

Since you can tolerate ♦s your safest call is pass.

Deal 5

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 7 5
♥ K Q J 9 8 2
♦ A 9 6
♣ 3

♠ A K 9 6 2
♥ A 5 3
♦ K 10
♣ K 8 4



♠ 8 3
♥ 10 6
♦ J 8 4 3 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

10
17 3
10

♠ Q J 4
♥ 7 4
♦ Q 7 5
♣ A J 9 6 2

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

With T HCP and a solid 6-card suit this is an ideal DONT bid. You double and partner follows procedure by saying 2 ♣.

Now you follow procedure by showing your 6-card suit. You bid 2 ♥ and everybody passes.

Deal 6

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 7
 ♥ A J 9 7 4 2
 ♦ A 8 2
 ♣ K Q

8
 14 3
 15

West

Dbl

Pass

2 ♠ by East

♠ K 5

♥ 8 3

♦ J 7 6 5

♣ A 7 6 5 3

N
 W E
 S

♠ A 2

♥ K Q 10

♦ K Q 10 3

♣ J 9 8 4

North

Pass

Pass

East

2 ♠

♠ Q J 9 8 6 4 3

♥ 6 5

♦ 9 4

♣ 10 2

South

1 NT

Pass

Partner's double asks you to bid 2 ♣ as a relay bid so he can name his suit.

But you don't want him to bid his 6-card suit, your hand is useless unless ♠s are trumps. So ignore the relay request and bid 2 ♠. Everybody passes.