

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 5 4
♥ Q 6 3
♦ 9 5 4
♣ A J 10 9 7

7
7 4
22

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A J 10 7 2

♥ 9 8 7

♦ 8 2

♣ Q 5 3



♠ K Q 8 6

♥ A K J 2

♦ A K Q

♣ 8 6

North

2 ♠

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

3 ♠

Pass

SOUTH has a minimum 2nd level opening.

NORTH, with 8 points and a 5-card suit, should make a positive response, 2nd level.

SOUTH shows the 4th level support first, to set the trump suit, and to give NORTH an opportunity

for a move toward slam if he wants to do so.

NORTH would now make a Control-showing bid IF HE HAD A CONTROL. Since he doesn't he just returns

to 4th level which SOUTH passes.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 8 5 2

♥ 9 4

♦ J 10 5

♣ K Q 10 8

22
6 4
8

West

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ A Q 9

♥ A K 2

♦ A 8 3

♣ A J 7 4



♠ K 6 3

♥ Q 8 5

♦ K 7 6 4

♣ 9 5 3

North

2 ♣

3 NT

East

Pass

Pass

South

2 NT

Pass

NORTH, with 22 points and balanced, opens 2[♠], expecting to rebid 2 NT.

But SOUTH responds a positive 2 NT, showing a balanced hand with 8 or more points.

NORTH bids what his hand is worth, 3 NT and SOUTH passes.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 5 3
 ♥ 9 6 3
 ♦ K J 10 5 3
 ♣ 6 2

23
 4 8
 5

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

♠ A K 9
 ♥ A J 8 2
 ♦ A 6
 ♣ A K 9 3



♠ Q J 7 2
 ♥ Q 10 7 5
 ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 8 5 4

North

2 ♣

2 NT

3 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♦

3 ♣

4 ♥

NORTH opens 2[♠] and SOUTH responds 2

2[♠]

showing fewer than 8 points.

NORTH bids 2 NT with a 23 point balanced hand.

SOUTH has enough points to bid 3 NT, but with two 4-card Major suits bids 3[♠] Stayman instead. NORTH

won't confuse this as the second negative since that bid isn't used after a 2 NT rebid.

So NORTH shows her 4-card

4[♥]

suit and SOUTH bids 4

4[♥]

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Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 8 5 2

♥ 9 4

♦ J 10 5

♣ 10 9 8 6

24

1 4

11

♠ A K 9

♥ A K 2

♦ A 8 3

♣ A Q 7 4



♠ Q 6 3

♥ Q 8 5

♦ K 7 6 4

♣ K J 3

♠ J 7 4

♥ J 10 7 6 3

♦ Q 9 2

♣ 5 2

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

2 ♣

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 NT

Pass

6 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

6 NT by South

SOUTH has a balanced hand with 11 points, so she responds 2 NT to NORTH's 2nd opening bid.

NORTH bids 3 NT. This shows 22-24 points, a hand he was planning to rebid 2 NT.

SOUTH knows the side has at least 33 points, but no more than 35 so she bids 6 NT.