

Deal 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 5 4
♥ 5 4 3
♦ 10 4
♣ A Q 10 4

14
6 7
13

♠ Q J
♥ A J 10 6
♦ Q 5 2
♣ K J 7 3

N
W E
S

♠ A K 10 8 2
♥ 8
♦ 7 6 3
♣ 9 8 6 2

♠ 7 3
♥ K Q 9 7 2
♦ A K J 9 8
♣ 5

West North East South

1 ♥

Pass 2 NT Pass 4 ♦
Pass 4 ♥ Pass Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

Although you could show your singleton ♣ now it is usually more informative to show a second 5-card suit. So you say 4 ♦. Partner bids 4 ♥. What do you say?

Partner signed off, showing a minimum, so you have nothing further to say.

Deal 2

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



<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by South			

It is your bid.

Opening hand with 4-card trump support. You bid 2 NT. Partner rebids 3 ♦. What do you say?

The news that partner has a singleton ♦ does NOT excite you. In fact it causes your hand to devalue a lot. So you use the Principle of Fast Arrival and bid 4 ♥.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ KJ85**♥ 62****♦ 9642****♣ 962****♠ 3****♥ Q1095****♦ AQ3****♣ KJ1083****♠ A Q 7 6 2****♥ 7 3****♦ 8 7 5****♣ 7 5 4****12
4 6
18**

♠ 10 9 4
♥ AKJ84
♦ KJ10
♣ AQ

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
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1 ♥

Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

Partner's 3 ♠ bid is a Splinter, showing a singleton ♠, good trump support, and 13-16 points. You bid your first-round ♣ control, and partner replies with 4 ♦. What do you bid next?

There isn't really anything else you want to know. You think you can make slam so you bid 6 ♥.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 6 2

♥ A Q 5 3

♦ J 9 8

♣ 10 7

♠ J 10

♥ 6

♦ 10 4 3 2

♣ K 8 6 5 3 2



West North East South

			1 ♥
Pass	2 NT	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

6 ♥ by South

It is your bid.

You have a perfect Jacoby 2 NT raise. Partner's rebid is 3 ♥. What is your next bid?

When partner shows an above average opener it is your duty to make a control bid if you can. So you bid 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 NT and it is your turn.

This is Blackwood. You respond 5 ♥ for two Aces and partner bids the slam.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ K J 9 8 7 5 2

♥ K Q 3

♦ A K

♣ 8

♠ 4

♥ 6 5 4

♦ 6 5 2

♣ K J 10 7 3 2



♠ 10

♥ J 10 8 7 2

♦ Q J 9 4 3

♣ Q 5

16

4

14

♠ A Q 6 3

♥ A 9

♦ 10 8 7

♣ A 9 6 4

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2 NT

Pass

4 NT

Pass

5 ♠

Pass

7 NT

Pass

Pass

Pass

7 NT by South

It is your bid.

Partner has at least opening hand and he has 4 ♠s. There is only one thing you need to know - how many Aces he has. You bid Blackwood 4 NT and he responds 5 ♠. What is your next bid?

The three Aces does it for you. You can count 7 ♠ tricks, 3 ♥ tricks, 2 ♦ tricks and 1 ♣. That is 13 total so you go ahead and bid 7 NT.

Deal 6

South Deals	♠ 9		
None Vul	♥ K Q 8 5		
	♦ A 9 7 2		
	♣ K 7 4 3		
♠ A Q 8 4 2	♠ K J 10 3		
♥ 7 3	♥ 4 2		
♦ 10 8 5	♦ J 6 4 3		
♣ J 9 8	♣ Q 10 2		
	♠ 7 6 5		
12 7 7 14	♥ A J 10 9 6		
	♦ K Q		
	♣ A 6 5		
West	North	East	South
			1 ♥
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4 ♣
Pass	4 ♦	Pass	6 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
6 ♥ by South			

It is your bid.

You have an opening hand with four of partner's Major suit so naturally you want to force to game. Although you could bid a Jacoby 2 NT, the presence of the singleton ♠ makes a Splinter Bid more attractive. So you double-jump to 3 ♠. Partner now bids 4 ♣. What do you say next?

Partner's 4 ♣ bid is control showing, and indicates he is thinking slammish. You bid 4 ♦ showing your control and partner bids 6 ♥.

As you can see, South should make 12 tricks by discarding one ♣ loser on your ♦ A.