

Deal 1
 North Deals
 None Vul

♠ 9 8 4 3
 ♥ 3
 ♦ A J 10 8
 ♣ 8 7 4 3

18
 5 3
14

♠ A J 6
 ♥ K 7 5
 ♦ K Q 5 3
 ♣ A J 5

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

N
W E
S

♠ K Q 5
 ♥ A Q 9 6
 ♦ 7 6 4
 ♣ K 9 6

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

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, NORTH showed a balanced hand with 18 or 19 points, and SOUTH invited him

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

Deal 2East Deals
None Vul

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

10 7
 10 13

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

♠ K 5
 ♥ A K 9 7 6 2
 ♦ K 8
 ♣ 7 6 4

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



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

When WEST makes a Splinter bid,
showing

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support and â™£ shortness,

EAST naturally thinks about slam.

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

Just what EAST needed for the 6

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bid.

Deal 3South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 7
♥ J 8 2
♦ 10 3 2
♣ A 9 8 7 4

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5 2
16

♠ A K 6 3
♥ K Q 10 4
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ 2



♠ J 5 4
♥ 7 6 3
♦ J 9 7
♣ 10 6 5 3

♠ Q 9 8 2
♥ A 9 5
♦ A 6 4
♣ K Q J

<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 South			

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

When SOUTH announces four ♠'s NORTH uses RKCB 4 NT.

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

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

Deal 4West Deals
None Vul

♠ J 9 8 2
 ♥ A 9 5
 ♦ A J 4
 ♣ K Q J

16 5
 17 2

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q 4
 ♥ 6 3 2
 ♦ 7 6 3
 ♣ 9 7 6 5 3

♠ A K 6 3
 ♥ K Q 10 4
 ♦ K Q 8 5
 ♣ 2

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

This is the companion hand to Deal 18.

Again, EAST uses RKCB after the 4-4 fit is discovered.

This time WEST shows two Key Cards without the Q.

Now EAST realizes that in addition to one outside Ace, there is a very possible loser in trumps. So she stops at 5♦.

Deal 5
South Deals
None Vul

	♠ A K 4		
	♥ J 9 5		
	♦ A K 7 6		
	♣ A 5 4		
♠ 6		♠ Q J 10 9 8 5	
♥ 10 7 3 2	N	♥ —	
♦ 10 8	W E	♦ Q J 9 4 2	
♣ K Q J 10 9 6	S	♣ 3 2	
		♠ 7 3 2	
		♥ A K Q 8 6 4	
6 6 19		♦ 5 3	
9		♣ 8 7	
West	North	East	South
Pass	2 NT	Pass	2 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	3 NT
3 NT by North			

The chances of a slam on this hand are very small, and if NORTH decides to use RKCB it will

just confuse matters when SOUTH shows two Key Cards.

NORTH has a better way to find out about the hand. She bids 2 NT asking SOUTH to further describe

his hand. SOUTH should then bid 3 NT, showing a solid suit headed by AKQ.

SOUTH cannot have as much as an extra Jack, so NORTH just passes 3 NT.