

**Board 1**

South Deals  
None Vul

♠ 5 2  
♥ 5  
♦ T 8 6 3 2  
♣ K Q J 8 5

♠ A 9 8 3

♥ K Q 8 3

♦ A K 4

♣ 7 2

N  
W E  
S

♠ J T 7 6 4

♥ 4 2

♦ Q J 5

♣ T 4 3

♠ K Q  
♥ A J T 9 7 6  
♦ 9 7  
♣ A 9 6

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SOUTH's 3

bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

The next three bids are all Control-showing cue bids.

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	2NT	Pass	3♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

6♥ by South

**Board 2**South Deals  
None Vul

♠ J 2  
♥ T 6 5  
♦ J 6 3 2  
♣ T 7 6 4

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ K Q

♣ A K 8 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ T 5

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ A T 7 5 4

♣ 9 5

♠ A Q 9 8 4  
♥ A K 4  
♦ 9 8  
♣ Q J 2

West	North	East	South
Pass	2NT	Pass	1♠
Pass	4♣	Pass	3NT
Pass	4NT	Pass	4♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	5♥

6 ♠ by North

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SOUTH shows extra strength / five trumps.

4 and 4

are Control-showing bids.

NORTH knows they are missing the

A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain SOUTH holds the trump Ace.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 9 5 4 2

♥ 7 2

♦ K 8 6

♣ A 7 3

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J T 2

♣ K Q 9 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ T 6

♦ Q 7 5 3

♣ T 8 2

♠ K Q J

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ 9 4

♣ J 6 5

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

4♥ by South

## Baker Bidpractice/Set9 13

NORTH's 3 bid, a double-jump, is a Splinter bid. It shows game-forcing strength, at

least four cards in partner's suit, and a singleton or void in the Splintered suit.

SOUTH has just 14 points and the shortness in NORTH's hand doesn't improve her hand since

she had just one loser anyway. She signs off in 4

**Board 4**

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q J 5 2

♥ 2

♦ 9 8 3

♣ 8 7 3 2

♠ 3

♥ A 9 5 3

♦ A J T 2

♣ K Q 9 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A T 9 8

♥ T 7 6

♦ Q 7 6 5

♣ J T

♠ 7 6 4

♥ K Q J 8 4

♦ K 4

♣ A 6 5

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	3♠	Pass	4♣
Pass	4♦	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
All Pass			

6♥ by South

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This is a companion hand to Deal 13.

SOUTH has 14 points, the same strength she had in Deal 13. But what a difference.

This time NORTH's shortness complements her hand very well. She bids 4

to show her Control, and after NORTH shows the

A she

uses Blackwood to make sure NORTH also has the trump Ace.

**Board 5**

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 8 6 4 3

♥ 9 2

♦ K T 9

♣ A 7 4

♠ K Q

♥ A K 8

♦ 7 5 4 3

♣ J T 6 5

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ J 9 2

♥ 5 4 3

♦ A Q 6 2

♣ 9 8 2

 ♠ A 7 5  
 ♥ Q J T 7 6  
 ♦ J 8  
 ♣ K Q 3
 

West	North	East	South
			1♥
Pass	2♣	Pass	2NT
Pass	4♥	All Pass	.

4♥ by North

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 NORTH has 13 points and good 3-card support for  
 SOUTH's 1

opening bid.

But he should not bid 2NT since that bid promises 4+ cards in support. North must still insure

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2 .

When SOUTH next says 2NT NORTH can jump to 4

NOTE: if you used Jacoby 2NT and reached the 4

game, give yourself credit anyway.