

Board 1
North Deals
None Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

West	North	East	South
	2NT	Pass	4♣
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5NT	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

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SOUTH isn't sure just how much he can make, but surely 6

isn't

too much to hope for.

He starts with a Gerber 4 and NORTH shows three Aces.

Hmmm, 5 asks for Kings and NORTH shows three.

Hmm, SOUTH can now count all thirteen tricks, so he forgets about the

slam and bids 7NT.

Board 2

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J 8
 ♥ J 7 2
 ♦ 8 5
 ♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2
 ♥ 9 3
 ♦ A T 9 4 2
 ♣ 3



♠ A K Q
 ♥ K Q 6
 ♦ K Q 3
 ♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7
 ♥ A T 8 5 4
 ♦ J 7 6
 ♣ 4 2

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

4NT by West

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WEST has 13 points and can contribute six tricks so she figures that twelve tricks will be a slam (dunk).

However, just to make sure the opponents don't take the first two tricks she checks with Gerber.

Uh Oh, missing two Aces she signs off at 4NT. She could also happily play 5 but it

would be tricky to get there. Very tricky.

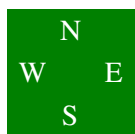
Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

West	North	East	South
Pass	4NT	All Pass	1NT

4 NT by North

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Yes, this has nothing to do with Gerber or Blackwood, but everything to do with smart bidding.

NORTH has a 16 points and SOUTH has 15, 16 or 17. NORTH wants to be in 6NT if SOUTH has 17,

but merely a Notrump game if she has 15 or 16.

The way to find out is to bid 4NT - not Blackwood but merely an invitation to bid 6NT.

In this case, SOUTH has but 15 points and declines the invitation. If her

Q

were changed to the

A she would bid 6NT and collect her twelve easy tricks.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

West

North

East

South

1NT

Pass

4♣

Pass

4NT

Pass

6NT

All Pass

6NT by East

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When WEST opens 1NT EAST hopes his hand includes all four Aces so she can bid 7NT.

So she uses Gerber to find out.

But, when she discovers they are missing an Ace she settles for 6NT.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ T 8 6

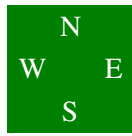
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♠ A K

♥ A Q T 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 9 5 4 2

♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

West	North	East	South
	2♣	Pass	2♦
Pass	2♥	Pass	3♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♣
Pass	5NT	Pass	6♥
Pass	7NT	Pass	

7NT by North

Board 6

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K 7
 ♥ K 9
 ♦ A Q J T 4
 ♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8

♥ 3 2

♦ 9 8 6 3 2

♣ T 5 3

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ A 6 2

♥ A T 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3

♥ Q J 8 7 6 5

♦ -

♣ 9 4

West	North	East	South
1 ♦	Pass	2NT	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
7NT	All Pass		

7NT by West

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WEST is just shy of a 2 opening bid, and when EAST shows 13-15 points WEST

wants to be in a slam.

WEST cannot use Blackwood because 4NT would be a natural invitation, but with EAST's latest bid

being 2NT he can use Gerber.

Two Major Aces and two Minor Kings fill the holes in WEST's hand so he bids 7NT.

Board 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4



♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

Board 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8
♥ J 7 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2
♥ 9 3
♦ A T 9 4 2
♣ 3



♠ A K Q
♥ K Q 6
♦ K Q 3
♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7
♥ A T 8 5 4
♦ J 7 6
♣ 4 2

Board 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

Board 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

Board 11

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 8 5
♥ 8 7 4
♦ T 8 6
♣ J T 5 3

♠ A K
♥ A Q T 9 6
♦ A Q J 3
♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3
♥ 2
♦ 9 5 4 2
♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2
♥ K J 5 3
♦ K 7
♣ 7 6 4 2

Board 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 7
♥ K 9
♦ A Q J T 4
♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8

♥ 3 2

♦ 9 8 6 3 2

♣ T 5 3



♠ A 6 2

♥ A T 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3

♥ Q J 8 7 6 5

♦ -

♣ 9 4

Board 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4



♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

Board 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8

♥ J 7 2

♦ 8 5

♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2

♥ 9 3

♦ A T 9 4 2

♣ 3



♠ A K Q

♥ K Q 6

♦ K Q 3

♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7

♥ A T 8 5 4

♦ J 7 6

♣ 4 2

Board 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

Board 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

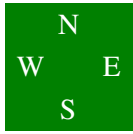
♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

Board 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ T 8 6

♣ J T 5 3

♠ A K

♥ A Q T 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 9 5 4 2

♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

Board 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K 7
♥ K 9
♦ A Q J T 4
♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8
♥ 3 2
♦ 9 8 6 3 2
♣ T 5 3

N
W E
 S

♠ A 6 2
♥ A T 4
♦ K 7 5
♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3
♥ Q J 8 7 6 5
♦ -
♣ 9 4

Board 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4



♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

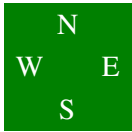
Board 20

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 8
♥ J 7 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2
♥ 9 3
♦ A T 9 4 2
♣ 3



♠ A K Q
♥ K Q 6
♦ K Q 3
♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7
♥ A T 8 5 4
♦ J 7 6
♣ 4 2

Board 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

Board 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

Board 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ T 8 6

♣ J T 5 3

♠ A K

♥ A Q T 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 9 5 4 2

♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

Board 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K 7
♥ K 9
♦ A Q J T 4
♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8

♥ 3 2

♦ 9 8 6 3 2

♣ T 5 3



♠ A 6 2

♥ A T 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3

♥ Q J 8 7 6 5

♦ -

♣ 9 4

Board 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4



♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

Board 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 8
♥ J 7 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2
♥ 9 3
♦ A T 9 4 2
♣ 3



♠ A K Q
♥ K Q 6
♦ K Q 3
♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7
♥ A T 8 5 4
♦ J 7 6
♣ 4 2

Board 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

Board 28

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

Board 29

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ J 8 5
♥ 8 7 4
♦ T 8 6
♣ J T 5 3

♠ A K
♥ A Q T 9 6
♦ A Q J 3
♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3
♥ 2
♦ 9 5 4 2
♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2
♥ K J 5 3
♦ K 7
♣ 7 6 4 2

Board 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K 7
♥ K 9
♦ A Q J T 4
♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8
♥ 3 2
♦ 9 8 6 3 2
♣ T 5 3



♠ A 6 2
♥ A T 4
♦ K 7 5
♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3
♥ Q J 8 7 6 5
♦ -
♣ 9 4

Board 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ T 4 3
♥ Q 8 5 2
♦ 6 5
♣ Q J 9 5

♠ K 6 2
♥ A T 9
♦ A K 3
♣ A K 8 4



♠ Q J 9 8 5
♥ J 7 6 4
♦ T
♣ T 3 2

♠ A 7
♥ K 3
♦ Q J 9 8 7 4 2
♣ 7 6

Board 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 8
♥ J 7 2
♦ 8 5
♣ A K Q T 9 6

♠ 6 5 4 3 2
♥ 9 3
♦ A T 9 4 2
♣ 3



♠ A K Q
♥ K Q 6
♦ K Q 3
♣ J 8 7 5

♠ T 9 7
♥ A T 8 5 4
♦ J 7 6
♣ 4 2

Board 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 9 4
♥ A J T 8 2
♦ J 5 4
♣ 2

♠ A Q 6
♥ K 7 3
♦ K 6
♣ K T 6 5 3



♠ 8 3 2
♥ 5 4
♦ Q T 7 2
♣ J 9 8 4

♠ K 7 5
♥ Q 9 6
♦ A 9 8 3
♣ A Q 7

Board 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 8 7 6

♥ Q J 7

♦ A J 3

♣ A 8 2

♠ 2

♥ T 9 8 3 2

♦ Q 9 7 5

♣ 9 7 3



♠ K Q J 4

♥ K 6

♦ K 4

♣ K Q J T 5

♠ T 9 5 3

♥ A 5 4

♦ T 8 6 2

♣ 6 4

Board 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 8 5

♥ 8 7 4

♦ T 8 6

♣ J T 5 3

♠ A K

♥ A Q T 9 6

♦ A Q J 3

♣ A K



♠ Q T 6 4 3

♥ 2

♦ 9 5 4 2

♣ Q 9 8

♠ 9 7 2

♥ K J 5 3

♦ K 7

♣ 7 6 4 2

Board 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K 7
♥ K 9
♦ A Q J T 4
♣ A Q J 7

♠ Q J 8

♥ 3 2

♦ 9 8 6 3 2

♣ T 5 3



♠ A 6 2

♥ A T 4

♦ K 7 5

♣ K 8 6 2

♠ T 9 5 4 3

♥ Q J 8 7 6 5

♦ -

♣ 9 4