

**Deal 1**

North Deals	♠ 7 5 2
None Vul	♥ A Q
	♦ A K 5 3
	♣ K 10 8 3

♠ 9 3	♠ K J 10 8 6 4
♥ 10 9 7 6 2	♥ J 4
♦ 8 7 2	♦ 10 6
♣ J 5 2	♣ A Q 9

16	♠ A Q
1 11	♥ K 8 5 3
12	♦ Q J 9 4
	♣ 7 6 4



<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 NT	2 ♠	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
3 NT by North			

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. Since you have East's ♠ suit stopped, you first bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner says 3 ♣. What do you bid?

NOW you cue-bid 3 ♠. This is Stayman, but with a ♠ stopper, (SLOW SHOWS). Partner says 3 NT and you pass.

**Deal 2**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

♠ A 7	♦ K Q 7 3	♣ J 9 6 4
♥ 10 9		♦ A Q 9
♦ K J 7 4 3 2		♣ 10 3
♣ A 8 6		

12	12	16
o		

West	North	East	South
			1 NT
2 ♦	2 NT	Pass	3 ♣
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 NT by South			



♠ 10 5 3 2	♦ 8 6 4 2
♦ 8 5	♣ 7 5 2
♣ K Q 8	
♦ A J 5	
♦ 10 6	
♣ K Q J 9 4	

Partner's 2 NT bid requests that you bid 3 ♣, so you do.

He next says 3 ♦.

Partner has just described a hand with which he wants to play in game, which has at least one 4-card Major suit, and has ♦s stopped. He wants you to pick the game.

With no 4-card Major of your own, you pick 3 NT.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 8 6 2  
♥ 4  
♦ 10 9 7 3 2  
♣ 8 5 3

<sup>17</sup>  
o   
<sup>11</sup>  
<sup>12</sup>

♠ K 9 5  
♥ AJ 9  
♦ K Q 8 5  
♣ A 10 2

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♠ Q J 3  
♥ K Q 10 8 5 2  
♦ 4  
♣ Q J 6

♠ A 7 4  
♥ 7 6 3  
♦ AJ 6  
♣ K 9 7 4

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

3 NT by North

With 12 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand. If it had not been for the ♥ overcall you would just have jumped to 3 NT.

Playing lebensohl you do the same thing, jump to 3 NT. Since you went directly to 3 NT you are telling partner you have that type of hand, but DO NOT have a ♥ stopper (DIRECT DENIES).

Partner does have them stopped so he passes.

**Deal 4**  
 South Deals  
 None Vul

<b>♠ K 6 3</b> <b>♥ A Q 10 8 3 2</b> <b>♦ J 6 2</b> <b>♣ J</b>	<b>♠ Q 10 4</b> <b>♥ K J 6</b> <b>♦ A 9 7</b> <b>♣ K 10 8 3</b>
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<b>13</b> <b>11 o</b> <b>16</b>	<b>♠ A J 5</b> <b>♥ 9 7</b> <b>♦ K Q 10 8 3</b> <b>♣ A Q 7</b>
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<b>W</b>	<b>N</b>	<b>♠ 9 8 7 2</b> <b>♥ 5 4</b> <b>♦ 5 4</b> <b>♣ 9 6 5 4 2</b>
<b>E</b>	<b>S</b>	

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			<b>1 NT</b>
<b>2 ♥</b>	<b>2 NT</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>3 ♣</b>
<b>Pass</b>	<b>3 NT</b>	<b>Pass</b>	<b>Pass</b>

3 NT by South

Partner's 2 NT bid requests that you bid 3 ♣, so you do.

He next says 3 NT.

Partner's bidding shows a hand with which he would have bid 3 NT without the overcall. Furthermore, he promises a ♥ stopper. He expects you to pass, so you do.

**Deal 5**

North Deals	♠ 7 4 2
None Vul	♥ A Q
	♦ A K 5 3
	♣ K 10 9 3

♠ 9	♠ K J 10 8 6 3
♥ J 9 7 6 5 2	♥ 10 4
♦ 8 7 2	♦ 10 6
♣ J 5 2	♣ A Q 8

N  
W E S

16	♠ A Q 5
2 10	♥ K 8 3
12	♦ Q J 9 4
	♣ 7 6 4

West	North	East	South
	1 NT	2 ♣	2 NT
Pass	3 ♣	Pass	3 NT
Pass	Pass	Pass	
3 NT by North			

With your 12 point balanced hand you know you are going to play in game. Since you have no interest in looking for a 4-4 Major suit fit you also know that game is going to be 3 NT. But you can't actually BID 3 NT, because partner would almost surely take you out to a minor suit. Remember, a DIRECT 3 NT bid DENIES a stopper in their suit. Since you have East's ♠ suit stopped, you first bid a lebensohl 2 NT.

Partner says 3 ♣. What do you bid?

You now complete the picture of your hand by bidding 3 NT. (SLOW SHOWS). Partner passes.