

Deal 1
North Deals
None Vul

♠ J 8 2
♥ J 5
♦ Q 10 2
♣ A 8 7 6 2

16
8 11
5

♠ A Q 6
♥ Q 7 3
♦ A 8 5
♣ K J 9 4

♠ 4
♥ A K 10 9 8 2
♦ K J 3
♣ 10 5 3

♠ K 10 9 7 5 3
♥ 6 4
♦ 9 7 6 4
♣ Q

West North East South
Pass Pass Pass
2 ♠ by South

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W E
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This is a sign-off hand. If East hadn't bid you would either have bid 2♠, which partner would have passed, or 2♥, transferring partner to 2♠ which YOU would have passed.

With lebensohl you can do the same thing, so you bid 2♠ and partner passes.

Deal 2

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



♠ K Q J 7 3
♥ 7 5
♦ 5 4 3
♣ A J 7

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

Partner's bid at the 3-level is forcing to game and shows a 5-card ♠ suit.

With 3-card support you are happy to bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3North Deals
None Vul

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

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 2 10
 11

♠ A 9 6
 ♥ Q 7 4
 ♦ A 8 5
 ♣ A K 7 6



♠ Q 10 2
 ♥ 9 5 3
 ♦ K Q J 10 9 3
 ♣ Q

♠ K 8 5
 ♥ A K J 8 6
 ♦ 7 2
 ♣ 8 4 3

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

With 12 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, so you bid 3 ♥. Don't think of it as a jump, just a 3-level bid showing at least 10 points and a 5+ card suit.

Partner has 3-card support and is happy to bid game in that suit.

Deal 4

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

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♠ 8 6
 17
 7 10
 6 ♦ 5 4 3
 ♣ 9 7 2

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

Partner's bid at the 2-level is a sign-off, the equivalent of the old "drop-dead" response.

So even with your great support and maximum hand, you pass.

Deal 5

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A Q 10 8	♦ J 5 4
♥ K J 9 5	♣ 8 4

♠ 6 3	♦ Q 10 7
♥ 10 8	♣ A K Q J 5 2

11	♠ K 9
12 1	♥ A Q 7 6
16	♦ A K 9 2
	♣ 10 7 6

West	North	East	South
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2 ♣	3 ♣	Pass	1 NT
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	3 ♥
Pass			Pass

4 ♥ by South



♠ J 7 5 4 2	♦ 8 6 3
♥ 4 3 2	♣ 9 3

With 11 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, and it is possible that a jump to 3 NT (which says you have no ♣ stopper) would work. However, with two 4-card Major suits you should use the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, which is a cue-bid of 3 ♣.

Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

With a known 8-card Major fit and a known 26-28 points you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 6

South Deals	♠ 7 6
None Vul	♥ K Q J 7
	♦ 10 3
	♣ A 10 7 3 2
♠ A J 4 2	♠ 10 8 5
♥ 9 4 3	♥ 6 2
♦ A K J 9 5 4	♦ 8 7 2
♣ —	♣ J 9 8 5 4
	♠ K Q 9 3
10	♥ A 10 8 5
13 1	♦ Q 6
16	♣ K Q 6

West	North	East	South
2 ♦	3 ♦	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♥ by South			

Partner's direct cue-bid is the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, but with no ♦ stopper.

With 4 cards in both Majors you bid 3 ♥.

Partner then bids 4 ♥ which you pass.