

**Board 1**  
North Deals  
None Vul

♠ 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

N  
W       E  
      S

♠ 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

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

6 ♥ by North

bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

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

**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



♠ 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
			1 ♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3NT
Pass	4♣	Pass	4♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♥
Pass	6♠	All Pass	

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**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 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



♠ 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

West

North

East

South

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

3 ♠

4 ♥

All Pass

4 ♥ by North

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SOUTH'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.

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

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

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**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

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**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 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

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ 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

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

4 ♥ by South

game, give yourself credit anyway.

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

opening bid.

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

they reach game, so he bids a forcing 2 .

When NORTH next says 2NT SOUTH can jump to 4

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