

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ A Q J 9 6 4 2
♥ —
♦ 10 6
♣ K 8 5 2

♠ —
♥ A K Q J 8 6 4 3
♦ A 5
♣ Q J 4



♠ 10 5
♥ 10 7 5
♦ K Q 9 3
♣ A 9 7 6

17
10 9
4

♠ K 8 7 3
♥ 9 2
♦ J 8 7 4 2
♣ 10 3

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

4 ♥ by North

You dealt this hand. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You only have 20 points, but you have 9 playing tricks. You have two choices, open 4 ♥ or open 2 ♣. Usually 4 ♥ would show a slightly weaker hand than this, so you bid 2 ♣. Partner responds 2 ♦. What do you bid next?

Of course you bid your 8-card suit. But no jumping, just bid 2 ♥. Partner now says 2 NT. What do you bid next?

Partner has between 3 and 7 points. Somewhere in those points might be the one trick you need, but you don't have any scientific way of finding out. So just bid 4 ♥ and hope. (There it is, the ♣T.)

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 3 2
 ♥ J 5
 ♦ 8 7 5
 ♣ A J 9 4 3

6
 8 5
 21

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ 8 7 5

♥ K 3

♦ Q J 10 9 4

♣ 7 5 2



♠ A K 4

♥ A Q 10 8 6

♦ K 2

♣ K Q 10

North

2 ♦

3 ♦

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

2 ♥

3 NT

Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

With 7 points you must bid a Negative 2 ♦. Partner now bids 2 ♥. What is your bid?

For someone who made an initial Negative response you have quite a good hand. You can't support partner's ♥s (yet) but you consider jumping to 3 NT. All in all it is better to just describe your hand with a 3 ♦ bid, then wait and see what partner says. You don't have to wait long since he bids 3 NT which you pass.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

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

21
 6 10
 3

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A Q J 8 3

♥ 3

♦ K Q 7

♣ A K Q 9



♠ K 6 5

♥ 10 8 6 4

♦ 9 2

♣ 10 8 7 3

North

2 ♣

2 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♦

4 ♠

You dealt this hand. Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

With 22 points you should open 2 ♣. Partner responds 2 ♦. What do you bid next?

You have 22 points and 5-card Major suit. Your rebid is therefore 2 ♠. Partner raises to 4 ♠. His jump to game shows a weaker hand than a 3 ♠ bid would so you pass.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 3 2
♥ 9 4
♦ J 9 6 2
♣ Q 8 4 2

6
4 7
23

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ K 8 7 5
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ 10 5
♣ 9 7 3



♠ A Q
♥ A K 7 5
♦ Q 8 4
♣ A K J 10

North

2 ♦

3 ♣

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

2 ♣

2 NT

3 ♥

Pass

Decide what you would bid, then on BID above.

You have 6 points and bid a Negative 2 ♦. Partner now bids 2 NT. What is your bid?

Partner has a balanced 22-24 points. With your 6 you want to be in game, but which game; 3 NT, 4 ♥ or 4 ♠? You can't answer that question unless you know if partner has a 4-card Major suit. So you bid 3 ♣, which is Stayman in this case. Partner replies 3 ♥. What do you say?

Knowing of the 4-4 fit you bid 4 ♥. By the way: Partner knew your 3 ♣ bid was not the Second Negative because you don't use Second Negative following a 2 NT rebid, you just pass.