

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

West	North	East	South
	1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♥
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by North			

NORTH has interest in slam after she hears SOUTH's Limit Raise.

BUT, she should not use Blackwood holding two quick losers in the

♠TM!

suit.

Instead she makes a Control showing bid of 4♠TM£. (Not Gerber since it didn't follow a NT bid.)

SOUTH cooperates by making a Control bid of 4

♠TM¥

.

NORTH stops at 4♠TM because neither partner controls

♠TM!

s.

Deal 2

West Deals
None Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

West

1 ♥

4 NT

6 ♦

6 ♦ by East

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A 10 9 5 4

♦ 5 4

♣ 8 7 3

W N
S E

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2

♥ 3

♦ 2

♣ J 10 9 5 2

North

Pass

Pass

Pass

East

2 ♦

5 ♠

Pass

South

Pass

Pass

Pass

WEST decides it is unlikely that EAST is Aceless, so all he wants to know is the number of Aces EAST does have.

He invokes RKC Blackwood.

Since no trump suit has been agreed, EAST bids as if

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

s, the

last-bid suit prior to 4 NT is agreed. EAST has two Key-cards plus the trump Queen, so she bids $5\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$.

WEST bids 6

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

If EAST had just one Key-card, WEST would bid 5

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

over the $5\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}$ reply.

Deal 3

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

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

17
 6 4
 13

♠ K Q 7
 ♥ J 6
 ♦ A 6 4
 ♣ Q J 10 8 7

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♣
Pass	4 NT	Pass	5 ♣
Pass	Pass	Pass	
5 ♣ by South			

This is the companion to Deal 6. The cards are the same except that the

♠TM

s and ♠TMs have been swapped.

Again, NORTH has no problem as long as SOUTH holds at least one Key-card.

When SOUTH responds 5♠TM, (showing one Key-card), NORTH can pass.

That's what happens here.

Deal 4

West Deals
None Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

West	North	East	South
1 NT	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	6 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		
6 ♠ by West			

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

EAST needs to know how many Aces WEST holds.

One way to find out would be to bid 3^{â™™}, (which is forcing), then launch Blackwood.

Another way is to bid 4^{â™™}£ (Gerber) right now.

The first way is probably better but we needed a Gerber example.

Deal 5

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 7

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 9

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2

♥ K Q 10 6

♦ 8 4

♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 10

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 13

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 14

East Deals

None Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 15

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 17

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 18

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 19

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 20
 West Deals
 Both Vul

♠ A 9 6
 ♥ Q J 10 3
 ♦ A Q J
 ♣ Q J 9

4
 17 16
 3

♠ 10 4 3
 ♥ A 9 6 5 2
 ♦ 5 2
 ♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
 ♥ 4
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ A K 5

♠ —
 ♥ K 8 7
 ♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
 ♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 21

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2

♥ K Q 10 6

♦ 8 4

♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 23

South Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 24

West Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

Deal 25

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 27

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 28
 West Deals
 N-S Vul

♠ A 9 6
 ♥ Q J 10 3
 ♦ A Q J
 ♣ Q J 9

4
 17 16
 3

♠ 10 4 3
 ♥ A 9 6 5 2
 ♦ 5 2
 ♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
 ♥ 4
 ♦ K 6
 ♣ A K 5

♠ —
 ♥ K 8 7
 ♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
 ♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 29

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2

♥ K Q 10 6

♦ 8 4

♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3

♥ A J 5

♦ 10 6 3 2

♣ K 4

♠ —

♥ 8 4 3

♦ Q J 9 7

♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 30
East Deals
None Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 31

South Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5

♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

Deal 33

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 10 6 5
♥ 9 7 2
♦ A K 5
♣ 10 7 5 2

16
7 6
11

♠ A K 9 8 4 2
♥ K Q 10 6
♦ 8 4
♣ A



♠ Q J 7 3
♥ A J 5
♦ 10 6 3 2
♣ K 4

♠ —
♥ 8 4 3
♦ Q J 9 7
♣ Q J 9 8 6 3

Deal 34

East Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 6
♥ K Q 8 7 2
♦ A K 9 6 3
♣ K Q

6
17 13
4

♠ Q 10 9
♥ A 10 9 5 4
♦ 5 4
♣ 8 7 3



♠ A J 7
♥ J 6
♦ Q J 10 8 7
♣ A 6 4

♠ K 8 5 4 3 2
♥ 3
♦ 2
♣ J 10 9 5 2

Deal 35

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 6

♥ K Q 8 7 2

♦ K Q

♣ A K 9 6 3

♠ A J 10 9 8 2

♥ 5

♦ J 10 8 7 3

♣ 4



♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 10 9 4 3

♦ 9 5 2

♣ 5 2

♠ K Q 7

♥ J 6

♦ A 6 4

♣ Q J 10 8 7

17
6 4
13

Deal 36

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ A 9 6
♥ Q J 10 3
♦ A Q J
♣ Q J 9

4
17 16
3

♠ 10 4 3
♥ A 9 6 5 2
♦ 5 2
♣ 7 4 2



♠ —
♥ K 8 7
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 10 8 6 3

♠ K Q J 8 7 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 6
♣ A K 5