

Board 1
 South Deals
 None Vul

♠ 6 5
 ♥ J 9 7 6
 ♦ Q J T 9
 ♣ T 4 2

♠ J 7 4 2
 ♥ K Q 5 4
 ♦ 8 2
 ♣ 7 5 3



♠ T
 ♥ A T 8 3
 ♦ 7 6 5 4 3
 ♣ A 9 6

♠ A K Q 9 8 3
 ♥ 2
 ♦ A K
 ♣ K Q J 8

West	North	East	South
			2 ♣
Pass	2 ♦	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♣	Pass	5 ♠
All Pass			

5 ♠ by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 1
 NORTH's 3 supporting bid is enough to convince
 SOUTH to make a slam try.

SOUTH bids Blackwood 4NT. If NORTH shows one
 Ace SOUTH plans to bid 6 but

when NORTH bids 5 SOUTH settles for 5

Board 2

North Deals

N-S Vul

♠ K Q 9 7 5

♥ 3

♦ 8 7 5 2

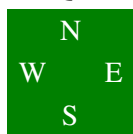
♣ 9 8 5

♠ A 6 4

♥ K J 9

♦ A K Q J 9

♣ K Q



♠ T 8 2

♥ 7 5 4 2

♦ 6 4

♣ A 6 3 2

♠ J 3

♥ A Q T 8 6

♦ T 3

♣ J T 7 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

4NT

Pass

5♦

Pass

6♥

All Pass

6♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 2
SOUTH makes a positive 3

response to NORTH's 2 opener.

This promises at least 8 points and a 5-card suit with two or more honors.

NORTH only needs to know one thing - how many Aces in the SOUTH hand.

A Blackwood 4NT tells her the answer is one, so she bids 6

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Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ J 8 3 2

♥ T 7 3

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ 6 4

♠ K Q

♥ K 6

♦ A 4

♣ K Q J 9 7 3 2

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♠ T 6 5 4

♥ A 9 8 5

♦ T 7 5

♣ T 8

♠ A 9 7

♥ Q J 4 2

♦ K Q 8 6

♣ A 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

4♣

Pass

4♠

Pass

6NT

All Pass

6NT by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 3

When SOUTH opens 1NT, point-count alone tells NORTH that 6NT can surely be made.

SOUTH is bound to hold at least two Aces. But NORTH doesn't want to miss a Grand slam.

NORTH bids 4 (Gerber), and SOUTH admits to just two Aces.

So NORTH settles for the small slam.

Board 4

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 7
 ♥ Q T 2
 ♦ J 6 5 2
 ♣ J 6 4 3

♠ J 9 5 2
 ♥ A J 7 4 3
 ♦ A Q
 ♣ 9 8



♠ 8
 ♥ 9 8 6
 ♦ T 9 8 4
 ♣ Q T 7 5 2

♠ A K Q 6 4 3
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ K 7 3
 ♣ A K

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	4NT
Pass	5 ♥	Pass	7NT
All Pass			

7NT by South

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 4

SOUTH has a powerhouse and knows she will reach a slam somewhere. When NORTH

supports the bid it seems she has found her spot.

Blackwood tells her that NORTH has two Aces.

She can see there are 12 tricks available and decides to take a chance that

NORTH will have a thirteenth trick somewhere among his opening hand points.

She bids 7NT.

Board 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ T 5 4
 ♥ 4 3
 ♦ A T 9 7 6
 ♣ T 7 5

♠ A K 2

♥ K Q 6 5

♦ K Q J

♣ K J 6



♠ Q 9 8 6

♥ 7 2

♦ 5 4

♣ A 9 4 3 2

♠ J 7 3

♥ A J T 9 8

♦ 8 3 2

♣ Q 8

West	North	East	South
	2♣	Pass	2♥
Pass	4NT	Pass	5♦
Pass	5♥	All Pass	

5♥ by North

Baker Bidpractice/Set7 5

NORTH is tempted to go right to 6

when she hears SOUTH's positive

response. BUT, she should use Blackwood first.

It's good thing she did because SOUTH admits to only one Ace - they are missing two Aces.