

**Deal 1**

North Deals  
None Vul

♠ K Q 9 8 6 2

♥ 8 6 4

♦ 9 4

♣ K 6

♠ 5

♥ Q J 9 7

♦ K J 10 8

♣ A 9 5 2



♠ A 7 4

♥ 10 2

♦ 6 5

♣ Q J 10 8 7 3

♠ J 10 3

♥ A K 5 3

♦ A Q 7 3 2

♣ 4

8

11 7

14

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♠

Pass

2 NT

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

3 ♠

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♠ by North

SOUTH has one of those hands which might or might not be helpful to NORTH. He needs

more information about NORTH's hand, so he bids 2 NT.

NORTH has a better than average hand, so she bids 3<sup>TM</sup>♣ to show a high card in the suit.

SOUTH was hoping for a high card in

3<sup>TM</sup>♠

s rather than 3<sup>TM</sup>♣s, so

he signs off in 3<sup>TM</sup>

**Deal 2**

West Deals  
None Vul

♠ 7 3  
♥ K 5 3  
♦ K Q 10 8 7 2  
♣ 9 4

9  
8 18  
5

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

♠ K Q J 9  
♥ J 10 6  
♦ 6 3  
♣ Q 10 8 7

W N  
S E

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

♠ A 6 4  
♥ Q 4 2  
♦ A J 4  
♣ A K 6 5

With four fast winners EAST should think about game. The best approach is usually to

use 2 NT to find out more about WEST's hand.

EAST found out that WEST has good opening strength, and, most importantly, either the

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A or

â™¥

K. Now that she doesn't

have to worry about the opponents taking

the first five

â™¥

tricks

she bids 3 NT.

**Deal 3**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 10 6 4 3  
 ♥ Q 9 5  
 ♦ 7 5  
 ♣ K 7 2

9  
 9 5  
 17

♠ 9 7 5  
 ♥ 7 6  
 ♦ A K Q 9 6 2  
 ♣ 8 3



♠ K Q 8  
 ♥ A K 8  
 ♦ J 4 3  
 ♣ A 10 6 5

♠ J 2  
 ♥ J 10 4 3 2  
 ♦ 10 8  
 ♣ Q J 9 4

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

SOUTH is strong enough to be thinking about game, depending on how good NORTH's hand is.

So he bids 2 NT to get more information.

NORTH has the exact hand to say 3 NT - a suit headed by AKQ.

Game (and bidding) doesn't get much easier.

**Deal 4**

West Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q J 8 7 5 3

♥ 2

♦ 7 5 4

♣ J 5

12  
7 11  
10

*West*

3 ♠

Pass

4 ♠ by West

♠ 4

♥ Q 10

♦ A K J 9 6

♣ Q 8 7 4 3

N  
W E  
S

♠ A 6

♥ K J 9 6 5

♦ Q 10 8 2

♣ 10 6

*North*

Pass

Pass

*East*

4 ♠

*South*

Pass

EAST assumes her partner can win six tricks. So she will need to contribute four more to

make game.

Three of them are obvious, and she expects to get a

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

ruff also.