

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

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

14
 3 12
 11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ Q 2



♠ K 10 9 3

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 4

♣ K J 9 8

North

1 ♠

4 ♠

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♥

Pass

You have a limit raise in ♠s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♠.

Instead, you cue-bid 3 ♥, promising at least 11 points and support for ♠s. Partner bids the game.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 2

♥ K Q

♦ J 9

♣ K J 10 9 7 6

11

11 3

15

West

2 ♣

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ K Q 6 3

♥ A 8 7 3

♦ Q 8

♣ 8 4 2



♠ A 10 9 8 4

♥ 9 6 4

♦ A K 7

♣ A 5

North

3 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♠

4 ♠

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♠s.

With your 17 revalued points you know that your side has at least enough for game, so bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6		♠ A K Q J 10 9 3
♥ J 10 2		♥ 8
♦ 10 6 2		♦ 9 8 7 5
♣ A K 10 8 7 6		♣ 5

	♠ 8 5
	♥ Q 9 7 3
	♦ K Q 4
	♣ Q J 9 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 ♥ by North			

You have a limit raise in ♥s; if East had not overcalled you would have bid 3 ♥.

Instead, you cue-bid 2 ♠, promising at least 11 points and support for ♥s. Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

Pass. Partner indicates a minimum hand and you don't have enough extra to bid more.

Deal 4

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 7 5 2

♥ 9 6 2

♦ A 5

♣ 10 9 6

7
9 9
15

♠ A 3

♥ Q 8 7 4

♦ J 6 2

♣ 8 7 4 2



♠ 9 6 4

♥ A K J 5 3

♦ 9 7 4

♣ A K

♠ J 10 8

♥ 10

♦ K Q 10 8 3

♣ Q J 5 3

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

1 ♠

3 ♥

Pass

1 ♥

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

You have a pretty good hand and if partner has a limit raise or better you should bid 4 ♥.

But partner doesn't have a limit raise - if he did he would have cue-bid. So you pass.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 4 2
 ♥ A J 2
 ♦ 10 5 3
 ♣ A J 7 4

12
 11 10
 7

West

Pass

3 ♠ by North

♠ A Q 8 7 6

♥ 7 3

♦ K Q J 7

♣ 9 2



♠ K 10 9 3

♥ 6 4

♦ A 6 4

♣ 10 8 6 3

North

1 ♠

Pass

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♠

You would have bid 2 ♠ if East had not overcalled.

Instead, with 4 trumps you can jump to 3 ♠ as a preemptive measure. Partner will not mistake this for a limit raise since you would have cue-bid with 11+ points and support.

The jump to 3 is based on the Law of Total Tricks - bidding to a trick level equal to the number of your side's trumps.

Deal 6

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A K 7 5 2

♥ 8 3 2

♦ K 3

♣ 8 7 6

11
10 7
12

West

1 ♠

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ 8 4 3

♥ K 10 6 4

♦ A Q 5

♣ Q 9 3



♠ J 6

♥ Q J 9 7 5

♦ J 7 4

♣ A K 5

North

2 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

♠ Q 10 9

♥ A

♦ 10 9 8 6 2

♣ J 10 4 2

Partner has a limit raise or better in ♥s,
11 points or more.

You, however, have a bare-bones
minimum. So you rebid a minimum 3 ♥,
which partner passes.