

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 2  
♥ T 8 3  
♦ 8 6 5 4 2  
♣ A 7

♠ K J 3

♥ K Q 5

♦ A Q J

♣ K J 4 2



♠ A 7 5 4

♥ 9 7 4 2

♦ 7

♣ 9 8 6 3

♠ Q T 8

♥ A J 6

♦ K T 9 3

♣ Q T 5

West

North

East

South

2NT

Pass

4NT

All Pass

4NT by South

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NORTH has a perfect 2NT opening hand, 20 points  
and 3-3-3-4 distribution.

SOUTH, with 12 points of his own, knows the  
partnership is borderline strong enough for slam.

Since he is happy with Notrump, he invites NORTH  
to bid slam by responding 4NT.

With one more point NORTH might bid the slam, but  
here she just passes.

**Board 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ A 8 7  
♥ T 8 5  
♦ Q J T 9 6  
♣ 9 4

♠ J T 4

♥ A J 6

♦ K 5 3

♣ T 8 7 2



♠ K Q 3 2

♥ 9 7 4 3

♦ 4 2

♣ A 6 5

♠ 9 6 5

♥ K Q 2

♦ A 8 7

♣ K Q J 3

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

All Pass

1NT

2NT by North

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SOUTH opens 1NT with 15 points and a balanced hand.

NORTH, with 9 points, cannot bid game herself, but she can invite SOUTH to bid game if he

has the maximum 17 point opener. So she responds 2NT.

SOUTH doesn't have maximum, he has minimum, so he passes.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K 3  
♥ Q 9 8 5  
♦ Q T 3 2  
♣ J T 6

♠ J 9 7 5

♥ 6 4 2

♦ A K J

♣ 7 4 2



♠ A 6 4

♥ J T 7 3

♦ 9 8 5

♣ 9 8 3

♠ Q T 8 2

♥ A K

♦ 7 6 4

♣ A K Q 5

West	North	East	South
			1 ♣
Pass	1 ♠	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

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SOUTH is 1 point too strong to open 1NT, so opens  
1 .

NORTH responds in his 4-card Major suit, 1 .

SOUTH now shows her 4-card support plus her extra  
strength by jumping to 3 and NORTH bids the game.

**Board 4**

South Deals

None Vul

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

♠ 5 4 3

♥ A 7 2

♦ K T 6 5

♣ 9 8 5



♠ K Q J

♥ K Q 8

♦ Q J 9 3

♣ A K 2

♠ A T 8 6 2

♥ J T

♦ 8 7

♣ J T 7 6

West

North

East

South

Pass

3NT

All Pass

2NT

3 NT by North

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SOUTH has a classic 2NT opening bid, 21 points and balanced distribution.

NORTH knows that her 7 points will be plenty for game, but not enough to consider

slam so she just bids 3NT.