

Deal 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 8 7 6 4
♥ 10
♦ K 9 6 5
♣ 8 6 3

16
3 5
16



♠ 2
♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
♦ J 7 3
♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3
♥ A K 7
♦ 10 8 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 NT	Pass	4 NT
Pass	6 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
6 NT by North			

You dealt so it is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner jumps to 4 NT.

This is the threequel to 4 and 5. With a "good 16" points you accept the invitation and bid 6 NT.

As you might expect, this time the slam is not so certain, but there is a good chance. If either Minor suit finesse works you can make 12 tricks.

Deal 2South Deals
None Vul

♠ K Q 6
♥ Q 5
♦ A J 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

11
15 4
10

<p>♠ 5 4 ♥ A K 8 4 2 ♦ 10 8 2 ♣ A 8 3</p>		<p>♠ 7 3 ♥ J 10 9 7 6 3 ♦ K 3 ♣ 5 4 2</p>
<p>♠ A J 10 9 8 2 ♥ — ♦ Q 9 6 5 ♣ Q J 7</p>		

West	North	East	South
1 NT	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
2 ♥ by East			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Surprise - you open 1 NT. Partner responds 2 ♥. What do you bid next? (no transfers in this lesson)

Pass. Partner has long ♥s (probably 6) and short points (fewer than 9). He has decided that 2 ♥ will be a better spot than 1 NT. Trust him.

Deal 3

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8
 ♥ Q J 10 7 3
 ♦ J 5 3
 ♣ A 7 3
 ♠ 10 9 7 4 2
 ♥ 8 2
 ♦ K 10 6
 ♣ Q J 2



♠ K Q 6
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ A Q 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

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

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner replies 3 ♥. What do you say next?

With this bidding method, partner's bid shows at least 10 points and exactly 5 ♥s. He expects you to choose between 3 NT and 4 ♥. Since you have just a doubleton in ♥s you choose 3 NT.

NOTE: Jacoby Transfers are very useful for this type of hand.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 7 3	♦ A 2
♥ A 8 2	♦ J 9 7 4 3
♦ 6 2	♦ 9 8 3
♣ A 7 5	♣ 8 4 3

5	♠ 8 5 4
9 17	♥ Q 10 6
9	♦ K J 10 5
	♣ Q J 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	Pass	1 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		
4 ♠ by West			



The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

Yes this is exactly the same hand you held in Deal 8. You still open 1 NT. This time partner responds 3 ♠. What do you bid?

Partner shows T+ points and exactly 5 ♠s. This time, with 3-card support, you choose game in ♠s, knowing there is an 8-card fit.

Deal 5West Deals
None Vul

♠ J 4 2
 ♥ J 10 7 6
 ♦ 6 5
 ♣ A 5 4 3

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6 6
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♠ K Q 6
 ♥ K Q 4
 ♦ Q 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 5 3
 ♥ A 9 5 2
 ♦ 9 3
 ♣ Q 7 2

♠ A 10 9
 ♥ 8 3
 ♦ A K J 10 8 2
 ♣ J 8

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	1 NT	Pass	3 ♦
Pass	3 NT	Pass	Pass
Pass			
3 NT by North			

The bidding has been as shown. It is your bid. What do you say?

You open 1 NT and partner says 3 ♦. It's your bid.

Partner has a great hand. A jump to 3 in a Minor suit almost always shows slam interest. But that's partner with interest, not you. You couldn't have a more minimum 1 NT opening bid.

So you just return to 3 NT. Partner gives up and passes.

Deal 6

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ Q 9 8

♦ A Q 4

♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ K 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3



♠ 2

♥ J 6 5 4 3 2

♦ J 7 3

♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

16**3 5****16**

Deal 7

South Deals	♠ 5 4
Both Vul	♥ A K 8 4 2
	♦ 10 8 2
	♣ A 8 3
♠ K Q 6	♠ 7 3
♥ Q 5	♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ A J 7 4	♦ K 3
♣ K 10 9 6	♣ 5 4 2
	♠ A J 10 9 8 2
11	♥ —
15 4	♦ Q 9 6 5
10	♣ Q J 7



11
15 4
10

Deal 8

West Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8

♥ Q J 10 7 3

♦ J 5 3

♣ A 7 3

♠ 10 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 2

♦ K 10 6

♣ Q J 2

N
W E
S

♠ A 5 3

♥ A 9 6 4

♦ 9 8 2

♣ 8 5 4

♠ K Q 6

♥ K 5

♦ A Q 7 4

♣ K 10 9 6

9
6 8
17

Deal 9

North Deals

♠ A 2

E-W Vul

♥ J 9 7 4 3

♦ 9 8 3

♣ 8 4 3

♠ J 10 9 7 3

♥ A 8 2

♦ 6 2

♣ A 7 5

N
W E
S

♠ K Q 6

♥ K 5

♦ A Q 7 4

♣ K 10 9 6

♠ 8 5 4

♥ Q 10 6

♦ K J 10 5

♣ Q J 2

5
9 17
9

Deal 10

East Deals
Both Vul

♠ J 4 2
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ 6 5
♣ A 5 4 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ K Q 4
♦ Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ Q 7 2

♠ A 10 9
♥ 8 3
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ J 8

15
6 6
13



Deal 11

South Deals

None Vul

♦ A Q 4

♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ K 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3



♠ 2

♥ J 6 5 4 3 2

♦ J 7 3

♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

16
3 5
16

Deal 12

West Deals

N-S Vul

♠ 5 4
♥ A K 8 4 2
♦ 10 8 2
♣ A 8 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ Q 5
♦ A J 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

11
15 4
10

N
W E
S

♠ 7 3
♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ K 3
♣ 5 4 2

♠ A J 10 9 8 2
♥ —
♦ Q 9 6 5
♣ Q J 7

Deal 13

North Deals ♠ J 8

Both Vul ♥ Q J 10 7 3

 ♦ J 5 3

 ♣ A 7 3

♠ 10 9 7 4 2

♥ 8 2

♦ K 10 6

♣ Q J 2

N
W S E

♠ A 5 3

♥ A 9 6 4

♦ 9 8 2

♣ 8 5 4

♠ K Q 6

♥ K 5

♦ A Q 7 4

♣ K 10 9 6

9
6 8
17

Deal 14

East Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 7 3
♥ A 8 2
♦ 6 2
♣ A 7 5



♠ A 2
♥ J 9 7 4 3
♦ 9 8 3
♣ 8 4 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ K 5
♦ A Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ 8 5 4
♥ Q 10 6
♦ K J 10 5
♣ Q J 2

5
9 17
9

Deal 15 ♠ K Q 6
South Deals ♥ K Q 4
N-S Vul ♦ Q 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

♠ J 4 2
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ 6 5
♣ A 5 4 3

15
6 6
13

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ Q 7 2

♠ A 10 9
♥ 8 3
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ J 8

Deal 16

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ Q 9 8

♦ A Q 4

♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ K 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3



♠ 2

♥ J 6 5 4 3 2

♦ J 7 3

♣ K 4 2

16
3 5
16

♠ A K 3

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

Deal 17

North Deals	♠ 5 4
None Vul	♥ A K 8 4 2
	♦ 10 8 2
	♣ A 8 3
♠ K Q 6	♠ 7 3
♥ Q 5	♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ A J 7 4	♦ K 3
♣ K 10 9 6	♣ 5 4 2
	♠ A J 10 9 8 2
11	♥ —
15 4	♦ Q 9 6 5
10	♣ Q J 7

Deal 18

	♠ J 8
East Deals	♥ Q J 10 7 3
N-S Vul	♦ J 5 3
	♣ A 7 3
♠ 10 9 7 4 2	♠ A 5 3
♥ 8 2	♥ A 9 6 4
♦ K 10 6	♦ 9 8 2
♣ Q J 2	♣ 8 5 4
	♠ K Q 6
9 6 8 17	♥ K 5
	♦ A Q 7 4
	♣ K 10 9 6



Deal 19

South Deals	♠ A 2
E-W Vul	♥ J 9 7 4 3
	♦ 9 8 3
	♣ 8 4 3
♠ J 10 9 7 3	♠ K Q 6
♥ A 8 2	♥ K 5
♦ 6 2	♦ A Q 7 4
♣ A 7 5	♣ K 10 9 6
	♠ 8 5 4
5 9 17	♥ Q 10 6
9	♦ K J 10 5
	♣ Q J 2

N
W E
S

Deal 20

West Deals
Both Vul

♠ K Q 6
♥ K Q 4
♦ Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ J 4 2
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ 6 5
♣ A 5 4 3

15
6 6
13

♠ A 10 9
♥ 8 3
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ J 8

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ Q 7 2

Deal 21 ♠ Q J 10 5
North Deals ♥ Q 9 8
N-S Vul ♦ A Q 4
 ♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4
♥ 10
♦ K 9 6 5
♣ 8 6 3

N
W E
S

16
3 5
16

♠ 2
♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
♦ J 7 3
♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3
♥ A K 7
♦ 10 8 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

Deal 22

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 4
♥ A K 8 4 2
♦ 10 8 2
♣ A 8 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ Q 5
♦ A J 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

11
15 4
10

N
W E
S

♠ 7 3
♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ K 3
♣ 5 4 2

♠ A J 10 9 8 2
♥ —
♦ Q 9 6 5
♣ Q J 7

Deal 23

	♠ J 8
South Deals	♥ Q J 10 7 3
Both Vul	♦ J 5 3
	♣ A 7 3
♠ 10 9 7 4 2	♠ A 5 3
♥ 8 2	♥ A 9 6 4
♦ K 10 6	♦ 9 8 2
♣ Q J 2	♣ 8 5 4
	♠ K Q 6
9 6 8 17	♥ K 5
	♦ A Q 7 4
	♣ K 10 9 6

N
W E
S

Deal 24

West Deals
None Vul

♠ J 10 9 7 3
♥ A 8 2
♦ 6 2
♣ A 7 5



♠ A 2
♥ J 9 7 4 3
♦ 9 8 3
♣ 8 4 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ K 5
♦ A Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ 8 5 4
♥ Q 10 6
♦ K J 10 5
♣ Q J 2

5
9 17
9

Deal 25 ♠ K Q 6
North Deals ♥ K Q 4
E-W Vul ♦ Q 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

♠ J 4 2 ♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ J 10 7 6 ♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 6 5 ♦ 9 3
♣ A 5 4 3 ♣ Q 7 2

 ♠ A 10 9
 ♥ 8 3
 ♦ A K J 10 8 2
 ♣ J 8



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6 6
13

Deal 26

East Deals

Both Vul

♠ Q J 10 5

♥ Q 9 8

♦ A Q 4

♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4

♥ 10

♦ K 9 6 5

♣ 8 6 3



♠ 2

♥ J 6 5 4 3 2

♦ J 7 3

♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3

16

3 5

16

♥ A K 7

♦ 10 8 2

♣ Q 10 7 5

Deal 27

South Deals	♠ 5 4
None Vul	♥ A K 8 4 2
	♦ 10 8 2
	♣ A 8 3
♠ K Q 6	♠ 7 3
♥ Q 5	♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ A J 7 4	♦ K 3
♣ K 10 9 6	♣ 5 4 2
	♠ A J 10 9 8 2
11	♥ —
15 4	♦ Q 9 6 5
10	♣ Q J 7

Deal 28

	♠ J 8
West Deals	♥ Q J 10 7 3
N-S Vul	♦ J 5 3
	♣ A 7 3
♠ 10 9 7 4 2	♠ A 5 3
♥ 8 2	♥ A 9 6 4
♦ K 10 6	♦ 9 8 2
♣ Q J 2	♣ 8 5 4
	♠ K Q 6
9 6 8 17	♥ K 5
	♦ A Q 7 4
	♣ K 10 9 6



Deal 29

North Deals ♠ A 2
Both Vul ♥ J 9 7 4 3
 ♦ 9 8 3
 ♣ 8 4 3
♠ J 10 9 7 3 ♠ K Q 6
♥ A 8 2 ♥ K 5
♦ 6 2 ♦ A Q 7 4
♣ A 7 5 ♣ K 10 9 6



 ♠ 8 5 4
 5
9 17
9 ♠ Q 10 6
 ♦ K J 10 5
 ♣ Q J 2

Deal 30

East Deals

None Vul

♠ K Q 6
♥ K Q 4
♦ Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ J 4 2
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ 6 5
♣ A 5 4 3

15
6 6
13

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ Q 7 2

♠ A 10 9
♥ 8 3
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ J 8

Deal 31 ♠ Q J 10 5
South Deals ♥ Q 9 8
N-S Vul ♦ A Q 4
 ♣ A J 9

♠ 9 8 7 6 4
♥ 10
♦ K 9 6 5
♣ 8 6 3

N
W E
S

16
3 5
16

♠ 2
♥ J 6 5 4 3 2
♦ J 7 3
♣ K 4 2

♠ A K 3
♥ A K 7
♦ 10 8 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

Deal 32

West Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 5 4
♥ A K 8 4 2
♦ 10 8 2
♣ A 8 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ Q 5
♦ A J 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

11
15 4
10

N
W E
S

♠ 7 3
♥ J 10 9 7 6 3
♦ K 3
♣ 5 4 2

♠ A J 10 9 8 2
♥ —
♦ Q 9 6 5
♣ Q J 7

Deal 33

	♠ J 8
North Deals	♥ Q J 10 7 3
None Vul	♦ J 5 3
	♣ A 7 3
♠ 10 9 7 4 2	♠ A 5 3
♥ 8 2	♥ A 9 6 4
♦ K 10 6	♦ 9 8 2
♣ Q J 2	♣ 8 5 4
	♠ K Q 6
9 6 8 17	♥ K 5
	♦ A Q 7 4
	♣ K 10 9 6



Deal 34

East Deals
N-S Vul

♠ J 10 9 7 3
♥ A 8 2
♦ 6 2
♣ A 7 5



♠ A 2
♥ J 9 7 4 3
♦ 9 8 3
♣ 8 4 3

♠ K Q 6
♥ K 5
♦ A Q 7 4
♣ K 10 9 6

♠ 8 5 4
♥ Q 10 6
♦ K J 10 5
♣ Q J 2

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9 17
9

Deal 35 ♠ K Q 6
South Deals ♥ K Q 4
E-W Vul ♦ Q 7 4
 ♣ K 10 9 6

♠ J 4 2
♥ J 10 7 6
♦ 6 5
♣ A 5 4 3

15
6 6
13

N
W E
S

♠ 8 7 5 3
♥ A 9 5 2
♦ 9 3
♣ Q 7 2

♠ A 10 9
♥ 8 3
♦ A K J 10 8 2
♣ J 8