

Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 6 3
♥ J 7 2
♦ T 9 6
♣ J 6 5 4 2

♠ 7 5 2
♥ A K Q 6
♦ A 3
♣ K T 8 3



♠ A K Q J T 9
♥ T 4
♦ 8 7 5 2
♣ 9

♠ 8 4
♥ 9 8 5 3
♦ K Q J 4
♣ A Q 7

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

4♥ by North

Baker Leben 9

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. So you cue-bid 3♠. This is the lebensohl version of Stayman, but WITH NO ♠ STOPPER. (Direct Denies)

Partner says 4♥ and you pass.

Board 2
 East Deals
 N-S Vul

♠ K T 5
 ♥ 5 2
 ♦ A Q J 7 3
 ♣ 8 7 5

♠ Q 8 6 2
 ♥ 8 3
 ♦ 8 5 4 2
 ♣ T 3 2



♠ A 9 7
 ♥ A J T
 ♦ K T 6
 ♣ K Q 9 4

♠ J 4 3
 ♥ K Q 9 7 6 4
 ♦ 9
 ♣ A J 6

West	North	East	South
		1NT	2♥
3♦	Pass	3NT	All Pass

3 NT by East

Baker Leben 10
 Partner has promised at least a 5-card ♦ suit, and game-forcing strength. With your great ♥ stoppers you bid 3NT.

Board 3

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J T 8 4 3

♥ T 2

♦ 8 7

♣ A Q 9

♠ A Q

♥ K 8 5 3

♦ Q J 9 4

♣ 7 6 4



♠ 9 6

♥ J 9 7 6 4

♦ T 6 2

♣ J 5 2

♠ 7 5 2

♥ A Q

♦ A K 5 3

♣ K T 8 3

West

North

East

South

2♠

2NT

Pass

3♣

Pass

3♠

Pass

3NT

All Pass

3NT by South

Baker Leben 11

With your 12 point hand you need to force to game. It would also be nice to find out if partner has a 4-card ♥ suit. Since you have West's ♠ suit stopped, you first bid a lebensohl 2NT.

Partner says 3♣. What do you bid?

NOW you cue-bid 3♠. This is Stayman, but with a ♠ stopper, (SLOW SHOWS). Partner says 3NT and you pass.

Board 4

West Deals

Both Vul

♠ K Q 8

♥ A J 5

♦ T 6

♣ K Q J 9 4

♠ A T 5

♥ 8 4

♦ K 8 5 4 3 2

♣ A 7



♠ J 9 6 4

♥ K Q 7 3

♦ A Q 9

♣ T 3

♠ 7 3 2

♥ T 9 6 2

♦ J 7

♣ 8 6 5 2

West

1NT

3♣

3NT

North

2♦

Pass

All Pass

East

2NT

3♦

South

Pass

Pass

3NT by West

Baker Leben 12

Partner's 2NT bid requests that you bid 3♣, so you do.

He next says 3♦.

Partner has just described a hand with which he wants to play in game, which has at least one 4-card Major suit, and has ♦s stopped. He wants you to pick the game.

With no 4-card Major of your own, you pick 3NT.