

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 9 5 3
♥ Q J 9
♦ Q 9 2
♣ Q 10 7 5

14
7 5
14

♠ K J 8 4
♥ A K 7 2
♦ 6 5
♣ K 9 3



♠ A Q 10 6
♥ 5 4
♦ A 8 7 4
♣ A 8 2

♠ 7 2
♥ 10 8 6 3
♦ K J 10 3
♣ J 6 4

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
			1 ♦
Pass	1 ♥	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	4 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
4 ♠ by South			

With two 4-card Majors NORTH should respond "up-the-line", bidding

1TM ♣

s first.

Then, after SOUTH bids 1TM, NORTH has enough points to jump all the way to 4TM.

Deal 2

South Deals

None Vul

♠ J 5 2
♥ K 9 8 5
♦ J 10
♣ 8 5 4 3

11
5 8
16

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ A 9 6 3
♥ Q 6 4
♦ A 9 6 2
♣ J 7



♠ K Q 10 8 4
♥ A 7
♦ K Q 5
♣ Q 10 6

North

3 ♠

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♠

4 ♠

SOUTH has 17 points and might open 1 NT. But with the 5-card Major suit she prefers

to open 1[♠] .

NORTH has excellent [♠] support but with 11 points is not quite strong enough to insist

on reaching game. Instead he makes an invitational jump to 3[♠] , which SOUTH is strong

enough to raise to game.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ Q 10 9 4 3

♥ K 3

♦ 7 4 3

♣ Q J 6

5
8 6
21

West

Pass

Pass

3 NT by South

♠ 8 7

♥ 10 6 4

♦ K Q 10 9 6

♣ 10 7 3



♠ A K 6

♥ A J 9

♦ A J 2

♣ A 8 5 2

North

3 NT

East

Pass

South

2 NT

Pass

SOUTH has a powerful hand, but 21 points is not strong enough to start with a forcing 2TM£ bid.

Since he has balanced distribution he opens 2 NT (20-21 points).

NORTH adds her 6 points to SOUTH's minimum and concludes they should be in game. She expects her

good

2TM£

suit to be useful to NORTH in Notrump so she bids 3 NT.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

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

13
 9 10
 8

West

Pass

1 NT by South

♠ J 6 3

♥ A K Q 8 2

♦ K 6

♣ 10 9 5

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♠ 10 9 5

♥ J 4

♦ Q J 8 3

♣ K J 7 2

North

1 ♥

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 NT

NORTH has a solid 1

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opening, 14 points and five trumps.

SOUTH must respond with 8 points, but cannot bid either minor suit since he needs at least

11 points to bid a new suit at the 2-level. So he bids 1 NT (6-10 points).

NORTH doesn't object to Notrump so she passes.

Deal 5

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A 5 4
♥ 10 9 6
♦ J 4
♣ K Q 9 8 3

6
10 11
13

West

Pass
Pass

2 ♠ by South

♠ J 9 6 2
♥ K Q 7 5
♦ 8 3
♣ 10 7 4



♠ K Q 10 7 3
♥ A 4 2
♦ 9 7 5
♣ A 6

North

2 ♠

East

Pass

South

1 ♠

Pass

SOUTH has a normal 1st opening bid, 14 points and five trumps.

NORTH has good 4-card support and 7 points, so she raises to 2nd,

passed by SOUTH.

NORTH does not consider showing the

1st

s,

first because she knows there is a 1st fit, and second because she doesn't have

the 11 points needed to bid a new suit at the 2-level.