

Deal 1

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 8
♥ A 7 3
♦ Q J 10 7 4
♣ J 10 2

13
8 7
12

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by North

♠ K Q J 4 2
♥ K 5
♦ A 5 2
♣ 7 5 3

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W E
S

♠ A 7 3
♥ Q J 10 8 2
♦ K 8 6
♣ Q 4

North

1 ♠

2 ♦

4 ♠

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♥

1 NT

2 ♠

Pass

NORTH's 2

♠TM

bid is New Minor Forcing.

NORTH chose

♠TM

s rather than ♠TMs simply

because the

♠TM

s were stronger.

Deal 2

South Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 6 2
♥ 7 5
♦ J 9 8 4
♣ A K Q 4

8
10 6
16

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

3 ♥ by South

♠ J 8 4
♥ K Q 8 4
♦ Q 5 2
♣ 7 6 3



♠ K 5
♥ A J 9 6 2
♦ A K
♣ J 8 5 2

North

2 ♥

3 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

♠ A Q 9 7 3
♥ 10 3
♦ 10 7 6 3
♣ 10 9

South

1 ♥

3 ♣

Pass

SOUTH is unlikely to win 10 tricks if NORTH has three $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{E}$ losers.

SOUTH's 3 $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{E}$ bid is a Help Suit Game try.

With no help in $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{E}$ s and no ruffing values, NORTH's 8 points are

not enough to think of game, so NORTH signs off in 3

 $\hat{\text{A}}^{\text{TM}}\text{Y}$

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Deal 3

North Deals
None Vul

♠ 10 5 4
♥ A 7 6
♦ 9 3 2
♣ Q 8 6 5

13
6 7
14

West

Pass
Pass
Pass

3 NT by North

♠ A J 7 6 2
♥ K 10 9 4
♦ K Q 6
♣ 4



♠ K 8
♥ Q 8 5
♦ J 8 4
♣ A K J 7 3

North

1 ♠
2 ♥
3 NT

East

Pass
Pass
Pass

South

2 ♣
3 ♦
Pass

SOUTH's 3

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bid is Fourth Suit Forcing and

does NOT show a

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stopper.

The bid asks NORTH to further describe her hand.

NORTH does not have a rebiddable suit, but does have

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s stopped so she bids 3 NT.

Deal 4

South Deals
None Vul

♠ K 10 4
♥ K 10 9
♦ 8 5 2
♣ A 6 5 3

10
10 8
12

West

Pass

Pass

Pass

2 NT by South

♠ Q 9 6 5 2

♥ 7 6 3

♦ A Q

♣ Q 8 4



♠ 8 7

♥ A Q 5

♦ K 10 9 4 3

♣ K 10 7

North

1 ♠

2 ♣

Pass

East

Pass

Pass

Pass

South

1 ♦

1 NT

2 NT

NORTH cannot rebid the 5-card \hat{a}^{TM} suit,
cannot support SOUTH's

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}|$

s,

and cannot bid Notrump without a

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

stopper.

So she bids $3\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\text{£}$, New Minor Forcing,
asking SOUTH to describe his hand
further.

SOUTH doesn't have three \hat{a}^{TM} s, nor does
he have four

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

s.

But he does have

$\hat{a}^{\text{TM}}\Upsilon$

s stopped, so bids 2 NT. North is not strong

enough to bid game so she passes.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 8 7
 ♥ J 10
 ♦ Q 8 7 2
 ♣ A Q 4 3

14
 10 9
 7

♠ A K 10 6 2
 ♥ A 4 3
 ♦ K 9 6 4
 ♣ 7



♠ Q 5 4 3
 ♥ 7 5
 ♦ A J 10 3
 ♣ 6 5 2

♠ 9
 ♥ K Q 9 8 6 2
 ♦ 5
 ♣ K J 10 9 8

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	4 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

4 ♠ by North

NORTH's 3

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bid is a Help Suit Game Try.

SOUTH has excellent help in

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s

so with 8 points he bids the game.

Deal 6

South Deals
None Vul

♠ Q J 8 3
♥ A Q J 7
♦ J 9
♣ K 10 2

♠ 9
♥ 8 6 5 3
♦ A 10 8 6 2
♣ J 9 5



♠ K 7 6 4 2
♥ K 9 2
♦ 5 3
♣ Q 7 4

14
5 8
13

♠ A 10 5
♥ 10 4
♦ K Q 7 4
♣ A 8 6 3

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

NORTH has no reason to consider New Minor Forcing with this hand.

SOUTH does not have four

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s or he would have already supported, and

he does not have four â™Ÿ s or he would not have bid 1 NT.

So NORTH should bid the Notrump game.