

Deal 1

North Deals
None Vul

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

13	♠ K Q J 5 3
8 7	♦ 7 3
12	♦ A 9 4
	♣ Q 8 3

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

4 ♠ by South



You have 13 points and you respond 1 ♠. Partner rebids 2 ♣. What is your next bid?

You have ♦s stopped, and with your 13 points you might well jump to 3 NT. And while you may end up at 3 NT it can't hurt to find out if partner has 3 ♠s first. So you bid 2 ♦, FSF.

Partner says 2 ♠, telling you he has three of them, and you bid 4 ♠.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 4 3
♥ 8 2
♦ A Q J 7 4 3
♣ 9 7 3

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♠ K 10 8 6
♥ K J 9
♦ 6
♣ A K 6 4 2

♠ Q J 9 5 2
♥ 10 6 5
♦ K 9 5
♣ Q 8

♠ A 7
♥ A Q 7 4 3
♦ 10 8 2
♣ J 10 5

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

4 ♥ by South

You are the dealer.

You have 15 points and you open 1 ♣. Partner responds 1 ♥.

Show your 4-card Major, bid 1 ♠. Partner says 2 ♦.

This is FSF, asking you to further describe your hand. Since you have 3 ♥s you will naturally let partner know that. But, your hand is so good you should jump to 3 ♥. Remember that partner may be bidding with only 12 points.

He was pretty weak, but with your jump finds enough to say 4 ♥.