

# Board 1

North Deals

None Vul

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

♠ A Q T 6 4

♥ K Q J 7

♦ K J

♣ J 5



♠ 8 3

♥ 8 6 4 2

♦ A T 7 6 3

♣ 9 4

♠ K J 9 7 2

♥ A 9 5

♦ Q 5

♣ K Q T

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

4 ♠ by North

s. NORTH realized she was off two Aces.

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NORTH indicates an above normal opening with five  
by her 3NT rebid.

SOUTH also has some extra strength so he makes a  
Control showing bid of 4

Despite both partners showing extra strength North  
merely signs of at 4 Why? Because SOUTH's

Control bid of 4

denied first-round control in both and

**Board 2**

East Deals

N-S Vul

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

♠ -

♥ 6 5

♦ K J T 7 3 2

♣ J T 9 7 3

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♠ K Q J 8 5

♥ K J 7

♦ Q 8 5

♣ 8 4

♠ T 9 4 2

♥ T 9 3 2

♦ A 6

♣ A 6 5

West

North

East

South

1 ♠

Pass

2NT

Pass

4 ♠

All Pass

4 ♠ by East

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EAST has a minimum opening hand with no extra features to brag about.

So after WEST's Jacoby 2NT bid he merely signs off at 4 .

WEST would have cooperated if EAST had made a slam try, but she doesn't have enough

to initiate the investigation herself.

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K J T 9 2  
♥ 3  
♦ A 8 6 2  
♣ T 7 3

♠ A 7 6 5

♥ Q J T 7

♦ K Q 7 5

♣ 4



♠ 3

♥ 9 6 5

♦ J T 9 3

♣ A Q 8 6 2

♠ Q 8 4

♥ A K 8 4 2

♦ 4

♣ K J 9 5

West

North

East

South

Pass

4♣

Pass

1♥

All Pass

4♥

4♥ by South

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NORTH's 4 is a Splinter bid.

He promises 13+ points, at least four

s and a singleton or void in s.

SOUTH is obviously forced to game, but she is not thrilled to hear about NORTH's shortness. In fact,

it does nothing to help the value of her hand. So she bids the

game.

**Board 4**

West Deals

Both Vul

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

♠ 3

♥ A T 2

♦ A T 7 6 5 3

♣ 6 5 4



♠ K J 7 5

♥ K 6

♦ K Q 9 8

♣ J 8 3

♠ T 2

♥ 9 8 5 4 3

♦ 4

♣ A T 9 7 2

West

1 ♠

3 ♠

North

Pass

Pass

East

2NT

4 ♠

South

Pass

All Pass

4 ♠ by East

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WEST bids 3 to show the 6-card suit plus some extra strength.

EAST's failure to make a Control bid in either s,

s

or

s, means just one thing -

She doesn't have any controls.

So WEST settles for game.

**Board 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J T 7 6 4  
♥ 4 2  
♦ Q J 5  
♣ T 4 3

♠ K Q  
♥ A J T 9 7 6  
♦ 9 7  
♣ A 9 6



♠ 5 2  
♥ 5  
♦ T 8 6 3 2  
♣ K Q J 8 5

♠ A 9 8 3  
♥ K Q 8 3  
♦ A K 4  
♣ 7 2

West	North	East	South
	1 ♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3 ♥	Pass	3 ♠
Pass	4 ♣	Pass	4 ♦
Pass	6 ♥	All Pass	

6 ♥ by North

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NORTH's 3

bid shows extra strength and a 6-trump hand.

The next three bids are all Control-showing cue bids.

**Board 6**

East Deals

E-W Vul

♠ K 7 6 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ K Q

♣ A K 8 3

♠ T 5

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ A T 7 5 4

♣ 9 5



♠ A Q 9 8 4

♥ A K 4

♦ 9 8

♣ Q J 2

♠ J 2

♥ T 6 5

♦ J 6 3 2

♣ T 7 6 4

West

North

East

South

2NT

Pass

1 ♠

Pass

4 ♣

Pass

3NT

Pass

4NT

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

6 ♠

All Pass

5 ♥

Pass

6 ♠ by West

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EAST shows extra strength / five trumps.

4 and 4

are Control-showing bids.

WEST knows they are missing the

A, she uses

Blackwood just to make certain EAST holds the trump Ace.