

Deal 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 10 9 7 5 3

♥ 6 4

♦ 9 7 6 4

♣ Q

♠ 4

♥ A K 10 9 8 2

♦ K J 3

♣ 10 5 3



♠ J 8 2

♥ J 5

♦ Q 10 2

♣ A 8 7 6 2

♠ A Q 6

♥ Q 7 3

♦ A 8 5

♣ K J 9 4

5
11 8
16

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♥

2 ♠

Pass

1 NT

Pass

Pass

2 ♠ by North

This is a sign-off hand. If West hadn't bid you would either have bid 2 ♠, which partner would have passed, or 2 ♥, transferring partner to 2 ♠ which YOU would have passed.

With lebensohl you can do the same thing, so you bid 2 ♠ and partner passes.

Deal 2

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9 6 4 2
 ♥ Q J 2
 ♦ 10 2
 ♣ 10 8 5 2

16
 3 10
 11

West

Pass

Pass

4 ♠ by South

♠ 10 8 5
 ♥ A 8
 ♦ A K 7 6
 ♣ K Q 9 3



♠ K Q J 7 3
 ♥ 7 5
 ♦ 5 4 3
 ♣ A J 7

North

1 NT

4 ♠

East

2 ♥

Pass

South

3 ♠

Pass

Partner's bid at the 3-level is forcing to game and shows a 5-card ♠ suit.

With 3-card support you are happy to bid 4 ♠.

Deal 3

South Deals

None Vul

♠ K 8 5

♥ A K J 8 6

♦ 7 2

♣ 8 4 3

♠ Q 10 2

♥ 9 5 3

♦ K Q J 10 9 3

♣ Q



♠ J 7 4 3

♥ 10 2

♦ 6 4

♣ J 10 9 5 2

♠ A 9 6

♥ Q 7 4

♦ A 8 5

♣ A K 7 6

11
10 2
17

*West**North**East**South*

2 ♦

Pass

4 ♥ by North

3 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

1 NT

4 ♥

With 12 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, so you bid 3 ♥. Don't think of it as a jump, just a 3-level bid showing at least 10 points and a 5+ card suit.

Partner has 3-card support and is happy to bid game in that suit.

Deal 4

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 10 7 4

♥ 9 6 2

♦ J 10 9 8

♣ K Q

17
7 10
6

West

Pass

2 ♥ by South

♠ K Q 9 3

♥ A 10 8 5

♦ A K 6

♣ J 6



♠ 8 6

♥ K Q J 7 3

♦ 5 4 3

♣ 9 7 2

North

1 NT

Pass

East

2 ♣

Pass

South

2 ♥

Partner's bid at the 2-level is a sign-off, the equivalent of the old "drop-dead" response.

So even with your great support and maximum hand, you pass.

Deal 5

North Deals

None Vul

♠ J 7 5 4 2

♥ 4 3 2

♦ 8 6 3

♣ 9 3

16

1 12

11

♠ K 9

♥ A Q 7 6

♦ A K 9 2

♣ 10 7 6



♠ A Q 10 8

♥ K J 9 5

♦ J 5 4

♣ 8 4

♠ 6 3

♥ 10 8

♦ Q 10 7

♣ A K Q J 5 2

*West**North**East**South*

1 NT

2 ♣

3 ♣

Pass

3 ♥

Pass

4 ♥

Pass

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by North

With 11 points opposite partner's 15-17, this is a forcing-to-game hand, and it is possible that a jump to 3 NT (which says you have no ♣ stopper) would work. However, with two 4-card Major suits you should use the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, which is a cue-bid of 3 ♣.

Partner bids 3 ♥. What do you say?

With a known 8-card Major fit and a known 26-28 points you bid 4 ♥.

Deal 6

South Deals
None Vul

♠ A J 4 2
♥ 9 4 3
♦ A K J 9 5 4
♣ —

10
13 1
16

West

2 ♦

Pass

Pass

4 ♥ by South

♠ 7 6
♥ K Q J 7
♦ 10 3
♣ A 10 7 3 2



♠ K Q 9 3
♥ A 10 8 5
♦ Q 6
♣ K Q 6

North

3 ♦

4 ♥

East

Pass

Pass

South

1 NT

3 ♥

Pass

Partner's direct cue-bid is the lebensohl equivalent of Stayman, but with no ♦ stopper.

With 4 cards in both Majors you bid 3 ♥.

Partner then bids 4 ♥ which you pass.