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<p>♠ AK2 ♥ 864 ♦ Q432 ♣ K82</p> <p>♠ Q1065 ♠ J98 ♥ Q5 ♥ J10973 ♦ 876 ♦ A5 ♣ Q1064 ♣ J93</p> <p>♠ 743 ♥ AK2 ♦ KJ109 ♣ A75</p>	<p>Board 1 : Dealer North : Love all</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>1NT</td> <td>Pass</td> <td>3NT</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All Pass</p> <p>North opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With 15 points South easily has enough for game.</p> <p>East leads ♥J. Declarer must not cash his top tricks: he must keep them as stoppers. Declarer wins trick 1 with ♥A and attacks diamonds, making ♠A K, ♥A K, ♣A K and 3 diamond tricks.</p>	West	North	East	South		1NT	Pass	3NT
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West	North	East	South						
2NT	All Pass	1NT	Pass						
<p>♠ 743 ♥ AK2 ♦ J1098 ♣ A75</p> <p>♠ J9 ♠ Q1065 ♥ J10973 ♥ 54 ♦ A5 ♦ K762 ♣ J932 ♣ Q104</p> <p>♠ AK82 ♥ Q86 ♦ Q43 ♣ K86</p>	<p>Board 3 : Dealer South : EW vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Pass</td> <td>2NT</td> <td>Pass</td> <td>1NT 3NT</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>All Pass</p> <p>South opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With 12 points North invites game with 2NT. South has 14 points, a maximum 1NT opening bid, so he bids on to 3NT.</p> <p>West leads ♥J. Declarer must not cash his top tricks: he must keep them as stoppers. Declarer wins trick 1 with ♥A and attacks diamonds, making ♠A K, ♥A K Q, ♣A K and 2 diamond tricks.</p>	West	North	East	South	Pass	2NT	Pass	1NT 3NT
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<p>♠ J9 ♥ J10973 ♦ A5 ♣ J932</p> <p>♠ K87 ♠ A43 ♥ K64 ♥ A82 ♦ 6432 ♦ J1098 ♣ AK8 ♣ 1075</p> <p>♠ Q10652 ♥ Q5 ♦ KQ7 ♣ Q64</p>	<p>Board 4 : Dealer West : All vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1NT</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>West opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With only 9 points East passes because the most the partnership can have is 23 points which is not enough for game.</p> <p>North leads ♥J. Declarer must not cash his top tricks: he must keep them as stoppers. Declarer wins trick 1 with ♥A and attacks diamonds, making ♠A K, ♥A K, ♣A K and one diamond trick.</p>	West	North	East	South	1NT	All Pass		
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<p style="margin: 0;">♠ K87 ♥ K64 ♦ 6432 ♣ AK8</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ J10652 ♠ AQ ♥ AQ ♥ J10973 ♦ KQ7 ♦ A5 ♣ Q64 ♣ J932</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ 943 ♥ 852 ♦ J1098 ♣ 1075</p>	<p>Board 5 : Dealer North : NS vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>1NT</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>North opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With only one points South is worried but he can only pass. East leads ♥J. Declarer might make only 3 tricks, but that will not be a total disaster because East/West could make their own no-trump game if they had been able to enter the bidding.</p>	West	North	East	South		1NT	All Pass					
West	North	East	South										
	1NT	All Pass											
<p style="margin: 0;">♠ 943 ♥ 852 ♦ 10987 ♣ 1075</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ AQJ10 ♠ K87 ♥ AQ3 ♥ K64 ♦ KQJ ♦ 6432 ♣ Q64 ♣ AK8</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ 652 ♥ J1097 ♦ A5 ♣ J932</p>	<p>Board 6 : Dealer East : EW vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1NT</td> <td>Pass</td> </tr> <tr> <td>6NT</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>East opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. West has 21 points and knows that the partnership has a minimum of 33 points so he tries for a slam. South leads ♥J. Declarer wins ♥A and drives out ♦A, making 4 spade tricks, 3 hearts, 2 diamonds and 3 clubs.</p>	West	North	East	South			1NT	Pass	6NT	All Pass		
West	North	East	South										
		1NT	Pass										
6NT	All Pass												
<p style="margin: 0;">♠ 52 ♥ AQJ1043 ♦ Q7 ♣ A85</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ AJ104 ♠ Q987 ♥ 87 ♥ 965 ♦ 109652 ♦ J4 ♣ 74 ♣ KQJ10</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ K63 ♥ K2 ♦ AK83 ♣ 9632</p>	<p>Board 7 : Dealer South : All vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td></td> <td>1NT</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pass</td> <td>4♥</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>South opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. North is confident the partnership has enough for game, and knowing that they have at least 8 hearts, bids the heart game. East leads ♣K, top of a sequence. Declarer takes ♣A, draws trumps with ♥K A Q and then cashes three top diamonds, starting with ♦Q, the high card from the shorter holding.</p>	West	North	East	South				1NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass	
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<p style="margin: 0;">♠ AJ104 ♥ 87 ♦ 109652 ♣ 74</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ K63 ♠ 52 ♥ K2 ♥ AQJ104 3 ♦ KJ83 ♦ Q7 ♣ K632 ♣ A85</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ Q987 ♥ 965 ♦ A4 ♣ QJ109</p>	<p>Board 8 : Dealer West : Love all</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td>1NT</td> <td>Pass</td> <td>4♥</td> <td>All Pass</td> </tr> </table> <p>West opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. East is confident the partnership has enough for game, and knowing that they have at least 8 hearts, bids the heart game. South leads ♣Q, top of a sequence. Declarer takes ♣A, draws trumps with ♥K A Q and then plays diamonds to drive out ♦A, starting with ♦Q, the high card from the shorter holding.</p>	West	North	East	South	1NT	Pass	4♥	All Pass				
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<p style="text-align: center;">♠ 854 ♥ Q2 ♦ AK65 ♣ A764</p> <p>♠ KQJ ♠ A1076 ♥ K5 ♥ A43 ♦ J932 ♦ 1087 ♣ J1082 ♣ KQ5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ 932 ♥ J109876 ♦ Q4 ♣ 93</p>	<p>Board 9 : Dealer North : EW vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;">1NT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Pass</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2♥</td> </tr> </table> <p>All Pass</p> <p>North opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. South makes a weakness takeout into 2♥.</p> <p>West starts with ♠K, top of a sequence, and the defenders may take three spade tricks. Then West switches to ♣J. Declarer cannot afford to draw trumps immediately. He must start off by cashing ♦Q A K, discarding a club loser.</p> <p>Despite having only 3 points South makes 2♥, a good result because East/West could make 3NT.</p>	West	North	East	South		1NT	Pass	2♥
West	North	East	South						
	1NT	Pass	2♥						
<p style="text-align: center;">♠ KQJ ♥ KQ3 ♦ J963 ♣ J108</p> <p>♠ 1032 ♠ 854 ♥ J10987 ♥ 52 ♦ 42 ♦ AKQ5 ♣ 932 ♣ A764</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ A976 ♥ A64 ♦ 1087 ♣ KQ5</p>	<p>Board 10 : Dealer East : All vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">2♥</td> <td style="text-align: center;">All Pass</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1NT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Pass</td> </tr> </table> <p>East opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. West makes a weakness takeout into 2♥.</p> <p>North starts with ♠K, top of a sequence, and the defenders may take three spade tricks. Then North switches to ♣J. Declarer cannot possibly make 2♥, but he can limit the damage by winning ♣A and playing ♦A K Q, discarding a club. Please note that North/South can easily make 3NT.</p>	West	North	East	South	2♥	All Pass	1NT	Pass
West	North	East	South						
2♥	All Pass	1NT	Pass						
<p style="text-align: center;">♠ AQ1097 ♥ Q2 ♦ 8432 ♣ 63</p> <p>♠ 32 ♠ 864 ♥ AK53 ♥ J1098 ♦ J95 ♦ Q10 ♣ 10987 ♣ AKQ5</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ KJ5 ♥ 764 ♦ AK76 ♣ J42</p>	<p>Board 11 : Dealer South : Love all</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">Pass</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2♠</td> <td style="text-align: center;">All Pass</td> <td style="text-align: center;">1NT</td> </tr> </table> <p>South opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. North makes a weakness takeout into 2♠.</p> <p>East tries to cash ♣A K Q, but declarer ruffs. Now declarer draws trumps in three rounds. Then he cashes ♦A K and gives up a diamond trick. The defenders' diamonds break 3-2 so his ♦8 is now a winner. North makes 2♠, but South would have been defeated in 1NT because of the weakness in hearts and clubs.</p>	West	North	East	South	Pass	2♠	All Pass	1NT
West	North	East	South						
Pass	2♠	All Pass	1NT						
<p style="text-align: center;">♠ 32 ♥ AKJ5 ♦ KJ5 ♣ 10987</p> <p>♠ AK5 ♠ Q98764 ♥ 764 ♥ 2 ♦ A976 ♦ 8432 ♣ J42 ♣ 63</p> <p style="text-align: center;">♠ J10 ♥ Q10983 ♦ Q10 ♣ AKQ5</p>	<p>Board 12 : Dealer West : NS vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="width: 25%;">West</td> <td style="width: 25%;">North</td> <td style="width: 25%;">East</td> <td style="width: 25%;">South</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="text-align: center;">1NT</td> <td style="text-align: center;">Pass</td> <td style="text-align: center;">2♠</td> <td style="text-align: center;">All Pass</td> </tr> </table> <p>West opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. North makes a weakness takeout into 2♠.</p> <p>South leads ♣A K Q. Declarer ruffs ♣Q and draws trumps in three rounds. Then he cashes ♦A and gives up a diamond trick. When he next gains the lead he concedes another diamond trick. The defenders' diamonds break 3-2 so his ♦9 is now a winner. East makes 2♠, but North/South could have made 4♥.</p>	West	North	East	South	1NT	Pass	2♠	All Pass
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<p style="margin: 0;">♠ 63 ♥ A97 ♦ A7643 ♣ A87</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ AQ108 ♠ J2 ♥ 8653 ♥ J42 ♦ 109 ♦ J85 ♣ KQ5 ♣ J10943</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ K9754 ♥ KQ10 ♦ KQ2 ♣ 62</p>	<p>Board 13 : Dealer North : All vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td>1NT</td> <td>Pass</td> <td>3♠</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Pass</td> <td>3NT</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>North opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With enough for game and five spades South offers a choice between 3NT and 4♠ by bidding a forcing 3♠. With only two spades North chooses 3NT. East leads ♣J but declarer can win the first nine tricks: ♣A, 3 hearts and 5 diamonds, because the missing diamonds break 3-2.</p>	West	North	East	South		1NT	Pass	3♠	Pass	3NT	All Pass	
West	North	East	South										
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Pass	3NT	All Pass											
<p style="margin: 0;">♠ Q108 ♥ 8653 ♦ 109 ♣ AKQ5</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ K9754 ♠ A63 ♥ KQ10 ♥ A97 ♦ KQ2 ♦ A7643 ♣ 62 ♣ 87</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ J2 ♥ J42 ♦ J85 ♣ J10943</p>	<p>Board 14 : Dealer East : Love all</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>3♠</td> <td>Pass</td> <td>1NT 4♠</td> <td>Pass All Pass</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>East opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. With enough for game and five spades West offers a choice between 3NT and 4♠ by bidding a forcing 3♠. With three spades East chooses 4♠. North leads ♣A but the defenders can take only two club tricks before declarer can ruff. As soon as he gets the lead declarer cashes the ♠A K. Because the last trump is a winner he ignores it and sets about cashing his red suit winners.</p>	West	North	East	South	3♠	Pass	1NT 4♠	Pass All Pass				
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3♠	Pass	1NT 4♠	Pass All Pass										
<p style="margin: 0;">♠ 82 ♥ A4 ♦ AK8753 ♣ Q105</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ Q1054 ♠ 976 ♥ QJ109 ♥ 832 ♦ Q6 ♦ J109 ♣ A43 ♣ K862</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ AKJ3 ♥ K765 ♦ 42 ♣ J97</p>	<p>Board 15 : Dealer South : NS vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Pass</td> <td>3NT</td> <td>All Pass</td> <td>1NT</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>South opens 1NT, showing 12-14 points. If North had a 6-card major suit that suit would be trumps, but North prefers 3NT to 5♦ because it is so hard to make 11 tricks. West leads ♥Q. Declarer wins ♥K (keeping ♥A as an entry to dummy's diamonds) and hopes the missing diamonds break 3-2. He can either cash ♦A K and concede a diamond, or immediately concede a diamond.</p>	West	North	East	South	Pass	3NT	All Pass	1NT				
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<p style="margin: 0;">♠ Q1054 ♥ J1096 ♦ Q ♣ A432</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ KJ32 ♠ A8 ♥ AK75 ♥ Q4 ♦ 42 ♦ AK8753 ♣ J97 ♣ KQ10</p> <p style="margin: 0;">♠ 976 ♥ 832 ♦ J1096 ♣ 865</p>	<p>Board 16 : Dealer West : All vulnerable</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <thead> <tr> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">West</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">North</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">East</th> <th style="text-align: left; width: 25%;">South</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1NT 3NT</td> <td>Pass All Pass</td> <td>3♦</td> <td>Pass</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>West opens 1NT showing 12-14 points. This time East is strong enough to consider a slam so jumps to 3♦. West doesn't like diamonds and bids 3NT. East is very wise to pass 3NT. 3NT makes easily just by driving out ♣A, making 2 spades, 3 hearts, 2 diamonds and 2 clubs. Even with 30 points 5♦ unluckily fails because of the 4-1 trump break.</p>	West	North	East	South	1NT 3NT	Pass All Pass	3♦	Pass				
West	North	East	South										
1NT 3NT	Pass All Pass	3♦	Pass										