

Practice Session for U3ABDa14: Overcalls

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Welcome!

Here is a list of all the hands that you could play in today's Practice Session. It tells you useful stuff about them, like the cards in each hand, the High Card Points, the "correct" bidding and lead. Don't feel bad if you bid the hands a bit differently, or ended up in a different contract. There are new things to learn each week, it will take you a while to get the hang of it, no doubt.

This week we've given you hands – and permission – to overcall, so there's something for everyone to do!

Bridge is a great game, but it can be overwhelming, so much to think about. Don't worry, it will get easier. We're here to help it all make sense; don't worry about making mistakes, we're always happy to explain or answer questions. Remember, you're playing with other people who are just starting out, too. Let's have fun together!

To help clarify some points in this week's lessons, we've added a Lesson Summary. It describes the same topics from a slightly different angle to the online materials, with additional detail where it seems needed. You can find a link to the Lesson Summary next to the link for the Bidding Commentary on our web site.

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Advanced topics & background information

Anything in green is background information or more advanced than you need right now. But if you're keen, it's worth knowing.

The Hands

Boards 1-16

North East South West

1♥	2♣	2♠	3♣
3♠	Pass	4♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		
	♠ 984		
	♥ K98632		
	♦ AK		
	♣ KT		
♠		♠ K752	
♥ AT54		♥ J7	
♦ JT9653		♦ 8	
♣ 542		♣ AQJ973	
	♠ AQJT63		
	♥ Q		
	♦ Q742		
	♣ 86		

Board: 1 Dealer: North #2471

East has 11 HCP and a good 6-card Club suit, so is strong enough to overcall at the 2-level.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

West has 5 HCP and 3 Clubs; with the Spade void, they're just strong enough for the limit raise to 3C

East isn't strong enough to bid again.

Can I raise above the Level of Fit?

If you're strong enough.

West can only see 5 + 3 trumps, so they could only bid 2C based on the Level of Fit. Their raise to 3C - one higher than the level of fit - is based on their having a few points and a void.

East South West North

1♠	2♦	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
	♠ 9		
	♥ T432		
	♦ T763		
	♣ J987		
♠ KT83		♠ AQJ765	
♥ 765		♥ AQ8	
♦ 98		♦ A2	
♣ AQ54		♣ 32	
	♠ 42		
	♥ KJ9		
	♦ KQJ54		
	♣ KT6		

Board: 2 Dealer: East #347

South has 13 HCP, a shortage in Spades, and a good 5-card suit, so overcalls with that suit.

The 2D overcall shows 11-15 points and a 5-card suit.

North has a terrible hand; 4-card support for Diamonds but just one HCP. They pass.

Raising to the Level of Fit?

When partner overcalls, they promise 5 trumps. You can ignore your points and raise them based purely on how many trumps you have: with 3 trumps you can raise to THREE ($5 + 3 = 8$ tricks); with 4 trumps you can raise to FOUR ($5 + 4 = 9$ tricks) and so on. This incredibly optimistic tactic is called **Raising To The Level Of Fit**. See the **Lesson Summary** for a full explanation.

North can see 5 + 4 trumps, so according to the Level of Fit, they could raise to 3D, but you can't bid 3D over 3S. So they pass!

South West North East

1♥ 1♠ 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

♠ 875
♥ QT96
♦ KQ9
♣ A94

♠ AKJT2
♥ 874
♦ 73
♣ KJ7

♠ 943
♥
♦ T8652
♣ QT862

♠ Q6
♥ AKJ532
♦ AJ4
♣ 53

Board: 3 Dealer: South Lead: ♠A #376

West has 12 HCP, a good 5-card Spade suit, and three small Hearts. While the Hearts are a worry, they're strong enough to overcall at the 1-level.

The 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card Spade suit.

East has 3-card support for partner's overcall but just 2 HCP. They pass, they're not strong enough to bid.

West North East South

1♥ 1♠ 3♥ Pass
4♥ Pass Pass Pass

♠ QJT654
♥
♦ AK
♣ JT954

♠ 983
♥ AKQ65
♦ 87
♣ AK7

♠ AK7
♥ JT87
♦ J6
♣ Q832

♠ 2
♥ 9432
♦ QT95432
♣ 6

Board: 4 Dealer: West #1332

North has 11 HCP and a poor 6-card Spade suit. They're also void in Hearts. They're strong enough to overcall at the 1-level.

The 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card Spade suit.

South has 1-card support for partner's overcall, just 2 HCP, but a 7-card Diamond suit. They're not strong enough to bid.

North East South West

1♦	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠ J8		
	♥ A7		
	♦ AQ65432		
	♣ 84		
♠ AQ74			♠ K95
♥ 3			♥ JT98542
♦ K98			♦
♣ AKQ6			♣ J52
	♠ 632		
	♥ KQ6		
	♦ JT7		
	♣ T973		

Board: 5 Dealer: North #968

This board is an example of a **Weak Jump Overcall**. You may prefer to skip it; we will return to pre-emptive bidding in a later module!

East has just 5 HCP, but a 7-card Heart suit headed by JT and a void in the opponent's suit; a nearly perfect hand for an obstructive double-jump overcall! This 3H double-jump (pre-emptive) overcall shows 6-9 HCP and a 7-card Heart suit.

OK, it's **nearly** perfect because it's got 5 HCP and promises 6-9, but it even passes the Suit Quality Overcall Test, with two Honours (JT) and seven cards making a score of 9, for 9 tricks. I've seen better Honours. Notice how useless this hand would be defending against a Diamond contract, the real clincher.

West has just one Heart, for a 7-1 fit. Not ideal, but with 18 HCP, they're reasonably certain that 4H will make, so they're happy to raise the Obstructive 3H overcall to a very Constructive bid of 4H!

If this convinces North-South to bid 5D, then they will be very happy to watch that contract go down; their hand is just as good in Defence.

When should I use a Weak Jump Overcall?

If you look at the hands, 4H makes easily, losing three Hearts.

If North-South did bid 5D, they would probably lose two Spades, two Clubs and possibly a Diamond (as, with 10 Diamonds, they might play for drop rather than finesses the King) – for two or three down. That would actually score better than letting East-West make 4H, but 5D would be an unusual bid, they probably expect 4H to go down!

East South West North

1♥	1♠	2♥	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠ AQJ5		
	♥ J		
	♦ AJ65		
	♣ QJT4		
♠ 932			♠ 8
♥ T983			♥ AQ7652
♦ 82			♦ QT7
♣ A765			♣ K98
	♠ KT764		
	♥ K4		
	♦ K943		
	♣ 32		

Board: 6 Dealer: East #1385

South has 9 HCP and a weak 5-card Spade suit, just strong enough to overcall at the 1-level.

The 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card Spade suit.

North has 16 HCP and an excellent 4-card support for partner's Spades. They can also add 2 points for their Singleton Heart, so they have at least 26 points (8+18) and perhaps as much as 33 points (15+18); they're strong enough to raise to game.

Should I bid a slam?

NO! We haven't covered slam bidding yet.

If North were feeling really optimistic, they might try for a slam, as partner might have 15 points – but that's unlikely, East couldn't open 1H with just 7 points!

South West North East

1♥	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	2♠	Pass	4♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠ 832		
	♥ 3		
	♦ QJ74		
	♣ 98432		
♠ KJ75		♠ AQT96	
♥ 752		♥ AKQ4	
♦ K832		♦ T	
♣ Q5		♣ T76	
	♠ 4		
	♥ JT986		
	♦ A965		
	♣ AKJ		

Board: 7 Dealer: South #1932

West has 9 HCP but no 5-card suit, so can't overcall South's 1H.

East has 15 HCP and a good 5-card Spade suit, so can overcall with 1S.

The 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card Spade suit.

West has good 4-card support for partner's Spades, and 9 HCP, so can raise them to 2S.

The 2S limit raise of the overcall shows 6-9 points and 3-card support.

East can see 21-24 points, plus 2 points for their Singleton Diamond. Feeling a bit optimistic, they bid 4S.

When should I bid a Game Invitation?

When you think game is likely, but not if partner has a minimum for their bidding so far.

In this case, East's 4S bid is rather optimistic; I'd raise to 3S, asking West to bid 4S with a maximum.

West North East South

Pass	1♠	2♥	Pass
4♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
	♠ AQJT64		
	♥ K6		
	♦ Q4		
	♣ K95		
♠ K8		♠ 95	
♥ 97542		♥ AQJT8	
♦ 53		♦ AK86	
♣ AJ76		♣ 43	
	♠ 732		
	♥ 3		
	♦ JT972		
	♣ QT82		

Board: 8 Dealer: West #1956

West has 8 HCP, so passes.

East has 14 HCP and a good 5-card Heart suit, strong enough to overcall at the 2-level.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

West has 5-card support for partner's Heart overcall, 8 HCP and 2 points for their two Doubletons. This produces a total point count of 21-25. Feeling a bit optimistic, they bid 4H.

How useful is an unsupported King (Kx)?

A holding like Kx is hard to value. If partner has bid the suit, the King is worth 3 points; if your opponents have bid the suit, it probably isn't. Without these clues, it comes down to optimism.

West's Kx in Spades may be worthless as North bid Spades. West's 4H bid looks really optimistic to me; I'd pass. Would you?

North East South West

1♦	1♠	Pass	2♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠ A63		
	♥ K982		
	♦ KJT96		
	♣ K		
♠ Q84		♠ KJT97	
♥ A7		♥ J54	
♦ Q532		♦ A7	
♣ 8762		♣ AJ5	
	♠ 52		
	♥ QT63		
	♦ 84		
	♣ QT943		

Board: 9 Dealer: North #2916

East has 14 HCP and a decent 5-card Spade suit, so is strong enough to overcall.

The 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card Spade suit.

West has 8 HCP and 3-card support for partner's Spades, so raises to 2S.

The 2S limit raise of the overcall shows 6-9 points and 3-card support.

East can see 20-23 points, plus 1 point for their Doubleton Diamond. The maximum 24 points is not enough for game, so they pass. Phew.

East South West North

1♠ Pass 2♣ 2♥
 3♣ Pass 4♠ Pass
 Pass Pass

♠ A975
 ♥ KQJ754
 ♦ KQ
 ♣ 7

♠ QJT ♠ K6432
 ♥ A82 ♥ T
 ♦ 74 ♦ A93
 ♣ KQT52 ♣ A943

♠ 8
 ♥ 963
 ♦ JT8652
 ♣ J86

Board: 10 Dealer: East #2081

North has 15 HCP and a good 6-card Heart suit, strong enough for a 2-level overcall.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

South has a terrible hand, just 1 HCP, so they pass.

North isn't strong enough to bid over 4S, so passes.

South West North East

1♥ 2♣ 2♦ Pass
 3♦ Pass 4♥ Pass
 Pass Pass

♠ J83
 ♥ AJT
 ♦ KT74
 ♣ A96

♠ AQ76 ♠ K92
 ♥ 983 ♥ 97632
 ♦ 983 ♦ 52
 ♣ KQT752 ♣ 843

♠ T54
 ♥ KQ854
 ♦ AQJ6
 ♣ J

Board: 11 Dealer: South #2404

West has 11 HCP, a good 6-card Club suit and void in Hearts, so is happy to overcall 1H with 2C.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

East has just 3 HCP, so isn't strong enough to bid.

West isn't strong enough to bid over 3D, so passes.

West North East South

1♥ Pass 1♠ 2♦
 3♥ Pass 4♥ Pass
 Pass Pass

♠ T8653
 ♥ 2
 ♦ 8753
 ♣ K97

♠ AKJ ♠ Q742
 ♥ KQJT87 ♥ 654
 ♦ 4 ♦ KJ
 ♣ J53 ♣ AT62

♠ 9
 ♥ A93
 ♦ AQT962
 ♣ Q84

Board: 12 Dealer: West #2696

South has 12 HCP and a decent 5-card Diamond suit, so overcalls with 2D.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

North has just 3 HCP, so isn't strong enough to bid.

South isn't strong enough to bid over 4H, so passes.

North East South West

1♠	2♥	2♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
	♠ AKQ32		
	♥ AT84		
	♦ A3		
	♣ J6		
♠ 976		♠ 84	
♥ J32		♥ KQ975	
♦ QT9876		♦ J	
♣ 4		♣ AKQT9	
	♠ JT5		
	♥ 6		
	♦ K542		
	♣ 87532		

Board: 13 Dealer: North #13

East has 15 HCP and two good 5-card suits, so overcalls with the higher, 2H (intending to bid Clubs if they get a chance).

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

West has just 3 HCP, so isn't strong enough to bid.

East isn't strong enough to bid again over 4S with no support from partner, so passes.

When I overcall, should I expect to make my bid?

You'll never be certain, but should usually have a reasonable expectation of making your bid, based on your own hand and the bidding so far.

Making a bid with little or no expectation of making it is called *Sacrificing*, a risky business. We'll get to that in a week or two. For now, play safe out there.

East South West North

1♠	2♥	3♠	Pass
4♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
	♠ 876		
	♥ 95		
	♦ QJ852		
	♣ K87		
♠ Q432		♠ AKJT9	
♥ Q3		♥ 764	
♦ A4		♦ K93	
♣ J9432		♣ A6	
	♠ 5		
	♥ AKJT82		
	♦ T76		
	♣ QT5		

Board: 14 Dealer: East #16

South has 10 HCP and a good 6-card suit, so overcalls with 2H.

A 2-level overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit; South is a little weaker (10 HCP) but that's forgivable as they have a 6-card suit.

North has 6 HCP but only 2 Hearts, so isn't strong enough to raise.

South isn't strong enough to bid over 4S, so passes.

South West North East

1♣	1♥	1♠	2♥
3♣	Pass	5♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		
	♠ KQJT2		
	♥ 65		
	♦ A32		
	♣ Q87		
♠ 64		♠ A9873	
♥ KQJ97		♥ T84	
♦ KT4		♦ Q875	
♣ 952		♣ 6	
	♠ 5		
	♥ A32		
	♦ J96		
	♣ AKJT43		

Board: 15 Dealer: South #542

West has 9 HCP and a good 5-card Heart suit, so they're strong enough to overcall at the 1-level.

The 1-level 1H overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

East has 6 HCP and 3 Hearts, just enough to limit raise to 2H.

The 2H limit raise of the overcall shows 6-9 points and 3-card support.

West isn't strong enough to bid again.

West North East South

1♣	1♠	2♦	Pass
2♥	Pass	5♣	Pass
Pass	Pass		

♠ AKQT98
 ♥ 7
 ♦ JT976
 ♣ 6

♠ 764
 ♥ AK43
 ♦ K
 ♣ QJ743

♠ J5
 ♥ 982
 ♦ AQ43
 ♣ AK52

♠ 32
 ♥ QJT65
 ♦ 852
 ♣ T98

Board: 16 Dealer: West #910

North has 10 HCP and a good 6-card Spade suit, so they're strong enough to overcall at the 1-level.

The 1-level 1S overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

South has just 3 HCP and 2 Spades, so isn't strong enough to bid.

North isn't strong enough to bid again.

Boards 17-32

North East South West

Pass	1 ♠	2 ♥	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		
	♠ 54		
	♥ J743		
	♦ KQ2		
	♣ AJ62		
♠ AT8		♠ Q97632	
♥ 62		♥ 9	
♦ T984		♦ A75	
♣ T954		♣ KQ3	
	♠ KJ		
	♥ AKQT85		
	♦ J63		
	♣ 87		

Board: 17 Dealer: North #129

South has 14 HCP and a good 6-card Heart suit, so overcalls with 2H.

This 2-level 2H overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

North has four Hearts, so they could raise partner's suit pre-emptively, but they have 11 HCP plus a Doubleton, so game is possible.

North's bid of the opponent's suit, 2S, is a convention called the **Unassuming Cue Bid** (UCB). This UCB promises a fit with partner's suit and 10+ HCP.

South can see at least 24 HCP, not quite enough for game, but their excellent trump suit and trump fit are more than enough for 4H.

What should I do if I don't understand a bid?

If your opponent makes a bid that you don't understand (that 2S bid does look odd, doesn't it?), ask their partner to explain it. They should have alerted it to tell you if it's a convention, but you can question ANY opposition bid, even natural ones. For example, after 1H 2NT you might ask for the point range of the 2NT bid.

HOWEVER, if your partner makes a bid you don't understand, you're not allowed to ask them!

So, should I use Unassuming Cue Bids?

NO! We haven't taught you the Unassuming Cue Bid yet.

Without it, North just has to hope that partner is strong enough, and bid 4H – partner is unlikely to raise 3H to 4H, it sounds like an obstructive bid.

If anyone makes an Unassuming Cue Bid, their partner should Alert it to show it's not natural – and explain it if an opponent asks them to.

East South West North

1NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		
	♠ A872		
	♥ K		
	♦ 942		
	♣ JT982		
♠ KQJ		♠ 9653	
♥ 862		♥ AT75	
♦ 653		♦ AK	
♣ AK63		♣ Q54	
	♠ T4		
	♥ QJ943		
	♦ QJT87		
	♣ 7		

Board: 18 Dealer: East #2925

East has 13 HCP and a balanced hand, so opens 1NT.

The 1NT opening bid shows 12-14 HCP and a balanced hand.

West has 13 HCP, bringing the partnership total to 25-27, enough for 3NT.

Can I overcall on this hand?

Nope! The North-South hands are not strong enough to overcall. Not every hand provides a chance to overcall! Judging when NOT to bid is an important part of bidding.

South West North East

1♣	2♦	4♠	5♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠QT753		
	♥A83		
	♦6		
	♣9832		
♠4		♠86	
♥QJ		♥KT942	
♦QJT8743		♦AK95	
♣AQ7		♣T5	
	♠AKJ92		
	♥765		
	♦2		
	♣KJ64		

Board: 19 Dealer: South #1531

West has 12 HCP and a nice 7-card Diamond suit, so they overcall with 2D. They have enough Diamonds for a weak jump overcall, but they are too strong; a double-jump is a pre-emptive overcall, a limit bid showing 6-9 HCP.

This 2-level 2D overcall shows 11-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

North raises partner's 1S to 4S based on their 5-card Spade suit, 6 HCP and two Shortage Points. That's rather aggressive – or maybe optimistic – based on 20-27 points. 3S would be more sensible, leaving partner to decide.

East has four good Diamonds, 10 HCP, and two Shortage Points – so they can see 21-26 points. Most of their points are in Diamonds, so it's not a good hand for defending. With the 4S bid, there's no room left for subtlety, so they bid 5D as a sacrifice, with some chance of making it.

Should I sacrifice, or should I pass?

It looks like both sides bid quite – um – adventurously. Who's sacrificing? I think they both are! The 4S bid was at best a bluff, hoping to encourage the opposition to make an even riskier bid to stop them making 4S. Which they would not do!

People can get carried away in a competitive auction. Did you?

West North East South

1♣	1♥	Pass	1♠
3♣	3♦	4♣	5♦
Pass	Pass	Pass	
	♠K2		
	♥KT872		
	♦QJT72		
	♣9		
♠A		♠T985	
♥Q65		♥AJ943	
♦A9		♦5	
♣KQJ6543		♣T82	
	♠QJ7643		
	♥		
	♦K8643		
	♣A7		

Board: 20 Dealer: West #2032

North has 9 HCP and two 5-card suits. They have the length and strength to overcall at the one-level – but which suit?

They choose the higher-ranked suit, Hearts, so they can bid their second suit economically on a subsequent round. Hearts is also a better-scoring suit. This one-level 1H overcall shows 8-15 HCP and a 5-card suit.

East passes because they have only 5 HCP and a 5-card suit bid by the opposition!

South really does not like partner's Hearts, with a void. They have a decent 6-card Spade suit and 10 HCP, so they bid 1S – showing 0-2 Hearts, 9+ HCP, and a good 5-card suit.

West rebids their Clubs, jumping to show both length and strength.

North doesn't like partner's Spades; they might only have 5, for a 7-card fit. So they continue bidding as planned, with 3D.

This 3D rebid shows at least 4 Diamonds and a moderate hand. It denies 3-card support for partner's Spades.

East bids 4C to show they have some support, a bit rash.

South has excellent 5-card support for partner's Diamonds and a fairly poor hand for defending against 4C. Despite their lack of HCP, they have a void in Hearts and a doubleton in Clubs: 10 HCP + 4 SP when playing in Diamonds. Assuming partner has around 10 HCP and shortages in Spades and Clubs, 5D seems reasonably likely to make, so they bid it.

Is that a sacrifice or a sensible game bid?

Sometimes it's hard to tell – for both sides. In this auction, both sides were quite aggressive, but with good reason this time: West has an excellent long suit and North-South have lots of ruffing opportunities if they can find a fit, which they did, in Diamonds.

It looks like both 5D and 5C make. That's the power of shapely hands: long suits and shortages are often better than HCP!

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

♠ T75
♥ AJ754
♦ AKJ2
♣ 3

♠ 63
♥ KQT
♦ 8763
♣ KQJ9

♠ AKJ982
♥ 832
♦ Q
♣ A86

♠ Q4
♥ 96
♦ T954
♣ T7542

Board: 21 Dealer: North Lead: ♥ 9 H35
No bidding commentary.

East	South	West	North
1 ♣	1 ♦	1 ♥	2 ♦
2 ♥	3 ♦	3 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

♠ Q92
♥ 84
♦ Q862
♣ KT72

♠ 853
♥ AKJ73
♦ J7
♣ 984

♠ KJT4
♥ QT65
♦ K
♣ A653

♠ A76
♥ 92
♦ AT9543
♣ QJ

Board: 22 Dealer: East Lead: ♦ 2 H1279
No bidding commentary.

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	2 ♦	4 ♥	Pass
Pass	Pass		

♠ Q8632
♥ QJ863
♦ 973
♣

♠ 754
♥
♦ AQT84
♣ AQT64

♠ AKJT9
♥ 752
♦ 62
♣ J73

♠
♥ AKT94
♦ KJ5
♣ K9852

Board: 23 Dealer: South Lead: ♠ 5 H329
No bidding commentary.

West	North	East	South
1 ♣	1 ♦	1 ♠	2 ♦
Pass	3 ♦	Pass	Pass
Pass			

Board: 24 Dealer: West Lead: ♠9 H492
No bidding commentary.

♠ QT
♥ KQ4
♦ AQJ863
♣ 62

♠ 6	♠ 98743
♥ AT87	♥ 532
♦ K54	♦ 7
♣ KJT87	♣ A943

♠ AKJ52
♥ J96
♦ T92
♣ Q5

North	East	South	West
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♥	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Board: 25 Dealer: North Lead: ♠K H500
No bidding commentary.

♠ A62
♥ A8532
♦ 5
♣ AKQT

♠ 43	♠ KQT985
♥ K	♥ QJ9
♦ KT83	♦ AJ
♣ 987532	♣ 64

♠ J7
♥ T764
♦ Q97642
♣ J

East	South	West	North
1 ♣	1 ♥	2 ♣	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Board: 26 Dealer: East Lead: ♥T H502
No bidding commentary.

♠ QJ8432
♥ 6
♦ JT953
♣ 4

♠ AK	♠ 97
♥ 532	♥ AQJ4
♦ 8642	♦ AK
♣ T763	♣ KJ982

♠ T65
♥ KT987
♦ Q7
♣ AQ5

South West North East

Pass 1 ♠ 2 ♥ 2 ♠

Pass Pass Pass

♠ 9765

♥ AKQT2

♦ 863

♣ J

♠ AKQ2

♥ 98

♦ K954

♣ K76

♠ JT4

♥ 765

♦ T

♣ AQT432

♠ 83

♥ J43

♦ AQJ72

♣ 985

Board: 27 Dealer: South Lead: ♥A H551

No bidding commentary.

West North East South

1 ♥ 1 ♠ 2 ♥ 4 ♠

Pass Pass Pass

♠ KJ765

♥ A32

♦ Q764

♣ 4

♠ T8

♥ J9876

♦ AKJ9

♣ KJ

♠ Q9

♥ KQT4

♦ T32

♣ T985

♠ A432

♥ 5

♦ 85

♣ AQ7632

Board: 28 Dealer: West Lead: ♥K H1465

No bidding commentary.

North East South West

1 ♠ 2 ♣ Pass Pass

2 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass

Pass Pass

♠ KQJT84

♥ AK7

♦ 6

♣ 963

♠ A95

♥ T986

♦ K985

♣ T8

♠ 7

♥ QJ4

♦ QT2

♣ AKQJ52

♠ 632

♥ 532

♦ AJ743

♣ 74

Board: 29 Dealer: North Lead: ♣A H616

No bidding commentary.

East	South	West	North
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♦	4 ♠
5 ♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

Board: 30 Dealer: East Lead: ♣K H658
No bidding commentary.

♠ 6	♠ AQ3
♥ A6	♥ JT7532
♦ QT87642	♦ AJ53
♣ J42	♣
♠ T975	
♥ KQ9	
♦	
♣ KQT873	
♠ KJ842	
♥ 84	
♦ K9	
♣ A965	

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	1 ♦	Pass	Pass
1NT	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

Board: 31 Dealer: South Lead: ♦A H688
No bidding commentary.

♠ AKQ	♠ 54
♥ K5	♥ 9763
♦ Q8653	♦ AJ
♣ T63	♣ Q9742
♠ T98632	
♥ QT82	
♦ T4	
♣ 8	
♠ J7	
♥ AJ4	
♦ K972	
♣ AKJ5	

West	North	East	South
Pass	1 ♥	1 ♠	4 ♥
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Board: 32 Dealer: West Lead: ♣3 H1103
No bidding commentary.

♠ 4	♠ AQT932
♥ J76	♥
♦ T652	♦ Q974
♣ AJ654	♣ 932
♠ KJ87	
♥ KQ982	
♦ J	
♣ KQ7	
♠ 65	
♥ AT543	
♦ AK83	
♣ T8	

Synopsis

Boards 1-16

Now that you're allowed to overcall, the bidding sequences include passes - to show when you DIDN'T overcall. And we've added a **Declarer** column, because the Dealer doesn't always end up as Declarer.

Some of these hands do not support the **Plan the Play** feature of **My Hands** yet, as indicated in the table below.

SYNOPSIS					
Overcalling					
Board	Dealer	Declarer	Bidding Sequence	Hand #	Plan the Play?
1	N	S	1H, 2C, 2S, 3C, 3S, P, 4S	H2471	N
2	E	E	1S, 2D, 3S, P, 4S	H347	Y
3	S	S	1H, 1S, 3H, P, 4H	H376	N
4	W	W	1H, 1S, 3H, P, 4H	H1332	Y
5	E	N	1D, 3H, P, 4H	H968	Y
6	E	W	1H, 1S, 2H, 4S	H1385	Y
7	S	E	1H, P, P, 1S, P, 2S, P, 4S	H1932	Y
8	W	E	P, 1S, 2H, P, 4H	H1956	Y
9	N	N	1D, 1S, P, 2S	H2916	Y
10	E	E	1S, P, 2C, 2H, 3C, P, 4S	H2081	Y
11	S	S	1H, 2C, 2D, P, 3D, P, 4H	H2404	Y
12	W	W	1H, P, 1S, 2D, 3H, P, 4H	H2696	Y
13	N	N	1S, 2H, 2S, P, 4S	H13	N
14	E	E	1S, 2H, 3S, P, 4S	H16	Y
15	S	S	1C, 1H, 1S, 2H, 3C, P, 5C	H542	Y
16	W	W	1C, 1S, 2D, P, 2H, P, 5C	H910	Y

Boards 17-32

Now that you're allowed to overcall, the bidding sequences include passes - to show when you DIDN'T overcall. And we've added a **Declarer** column, because the Dealer doesn't always end up as Declarer.

Some of these hands do not support the **Plan the Play** feature of **My Hands** yet, as indicated in the table below.

SYNOPSIS					
Overcalling					
Board	Dealer	Declarer	Bidding Sequence	Hand #	Plan The Play?
17	N	S	P, 1S, 2H, P, 2S, P, 4H	H129	N
18	E	N	1NT, P, 3NT	H2925	Y
19	S	W	1S, 2D, 4S, 5D	H1531	Y
20	W	N	1C, 1H, P, 1S, 3C, 3D, 4C, 5D	H2032	Y
21	N	E	1H, 1S, P, 1NT, P, 3S, P, 4S	H35	Y
22	E	W	1C, 1D, 1H, 2D, 2H, 3D, 3H	H1279	Y
23	S	S	1H, 2D, 4H	H329	Y
24	W	N	1C, 1D, 1S, 2D, P, 3D	H492	Y
25	N	N	1H, 1S, 2H, P, 4H	H500	Y
26	E	E	1C, 1H, 2C, P, 2NT, P, 3NT	H502	Y
27	S	W	P, 1S, 2H, 2S	H551	Y
28	W	N	1H, 1S, 2H, 4S	H1465	Y
29	N	N	1S, 2C, P, P, 2S, P, 3S	H616	Y
30	E	W	1H, 1S, 2D, 4S, 5D	H658	Y
31	S	N	1C, 1D, P, P, 1NT, P, 2S	H688	Y
32	W	N	P, 1H, 1S, 4H	H1103	Y