

# 13b: Practise Transfers

<b>Hand: 1</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ 6 ♥ J 7 6 5 4 2 ♦ 5 2 ♣ 9 8 6 2
<b>Hand: 1</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass 2♦ Pass 2♥ Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ 6 4 ♥ K J 7 6 5 ♦ A 5 2 ♣ K 8 6
<b>Hand: 3</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass 2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ A K J 8 7 ♥ 9 ♦ A J 8 7 ♣ 7 3 2
<b>Hand: 4</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ A 7 6 ♥ 9 3 ♦ A J 8 5 4 ♣ Q 7 2
<b>Hand: 5</b> <b>Dealer: West Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1♣ 1NT Pass 2♥ Pass 2♠ Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ A Q 8 6 2 ♥ 9 5 ♦ K J 7 ♣ 8 6 2
<b>Hand: 6</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ Q 8 7 2 ♥ 3 ♦ Q J 8 7 2 ♣ 9 7 2
<b>Hand: 7</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ 9 ♥ 5 4 2 ♦ Q 9 8 7 6 2 ♣ 9 7 2
<b>Hand: 8</b> <b>Dealer: North Vul: None</b> <b>West North East South</b> 1NT Pass ?	<b>South</b> ♠ 9 ♥ A 4 2 ♦ Q 9 8 7 6 2 ♣ K 7 2

**Answer: 2♦**

We are commanding partner to bid 2♥, which we will pass. Without transfers we would have had to bid 2♥ and we would be declarer, with partner's stronger hand in dummy, visible to our opponents.

**Answer: 2NT**

After our transfer to hearts, our 2NT rebid shows that we have EXACTLY 5 hearts and a 'game invitational' hand (11-12 points). If partner is maximum she can choose between 3NT and 4♥. Otherwise she either passes or signs off in 3♥.

**Answer: 3NT**

Shows game-going values with EXACTLY 5 spades. Partner has to choose between passing (with two spades) and bidding 4♠ (with 3+ spades)

**Answer: 2NT**

We have 11 HCP, enough for game (25 HCP) if partner has a maximum 14 HCP. With a balanced hand and no major we just make an invitational bid in NT. Partner will bid game with a maximum.

**Answer: 3NT**

Partner's 1NT overcall shows 16-18 HCP and a club stop. We have a combined 26+ HCP so game-going values. After showing our spades via a transfer, we jump to 3NT to offer partner the choice between 3NT and 4♠.

**Answer: Pass**

Playing transfers, we can't sign off in a minor suit at the 2-level. With only five diamonds, it's best to pass and hope that West will bid a suit. If West doubles for penalties we can bid a natural 2♦ (weak takeout) next time round.

**Answer: 2♠**

We cannot make a weak takeout at the 2 level by bidding 2♦ as partner will transfer to hearts. Our 2♠ bid is a request to partner to bid 3♣. We will then bid 3♦, showing a very weak hand and long diamonds.

Our hand will probably produce no tricks in No Trumps but we can offer at least three diamond tricks if diamonds are trumps.

**Answer: Pass.**

We should pass rather than make a weak takeout into 3♦. We have combined 21+ HCP so should make 1NT, which scores the same as 3♦, and if we make 8 tricks in No Trumps we will get an even better score.