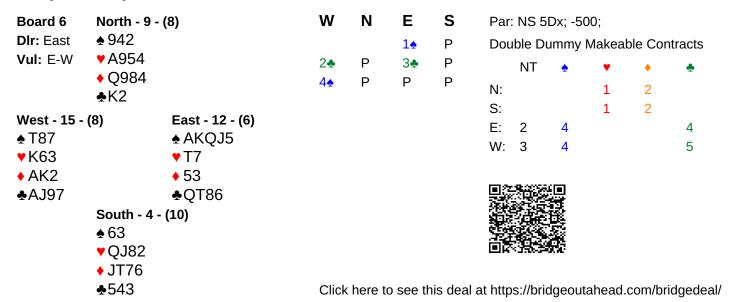
1 Spade Opener, Game Contract



Responder knows right away that opener/responder have a game contract, because their combined points add up to at least 27.

Responder could bid 4S immediately; however, by bidding a different suit at the 2 level, they ask opener to bid again. This is to give opener a chance to say something about their hand shape, their points, or both.

Opener bids 3C, showing a minimal opening point range but also showing support for responder's club suit; at this point, opener doesn't know that responder can actually support their spades.

Responder, seeing that their combined points don't add up to a slam, puts the pair in game at 4S.