Practise Weak 2 Bids & Responses

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Choose your next bid

Hand: 1 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♣ J ♥ Q J 6 5 3 2 • Q J 8 3 • 4 2
Hand: 2 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♠ K J 8 6 ♥ 2 ♦ K Q 10 9 7 2 ♣ 4 3
Hand: 3 Dealer: North Vul: EW West North East South P P ?	South ♠ Q J 9 8 4 2 ♥ 9 ♦ K 9 5 2 ♣ 9 2
Hand: 4 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♠ A Q J 9 7 4 ♥ 6 3 ♦ 10 5 2 ♣ 9 8
Hand: 5 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ★ ♥ 8 4 3 ◆ K J 9 6 5 2 ♣ A Q J 5
Hand: 6 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♣ 10 7 ▼ K 8 6 4 3 2 ◆ A J 10 2 ♣ 9
Hand: 7 Dealer: West Vul: None West North East South P P P ?	South ♣ 8 4 ♥ 8 6 2 ◆ K Q 10 5 4 3 ♣ Q 4
Hand: 8 Dealer: North Vul: EW West North East South 2	South ♠ Q 9 7 6 ♥ 9 8 6 ♦ K 6 2 ♣ J 4 2
Hand: 9 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South 2♥ 2♠ ?	South ♠ A Q 10 8 7 ♥ 6 ♦ K Q 4 3 ♣ Q 8 3

Answer: 2♥

Our suit is absolutely minimum for a Weak Two. The SQT is 8 but the heart honours are poor. We have less than half our HCP in the heart suit. However with attractive shape it's generally OK to open 2.

Answer: Pass

We have a good six card diamond suit, but we shouldn't open a Weak Two in first or second seat with a reasonable four card major on the side. We might pre-empt partner if he is getting ready to open 1.

Answer: 2♠

We have only 6 HCP but we are not vulnerable and after two passes West is bound to bid. EW can probably make 4 which will score 620 as they are vulnerable. if they can find a fit. They will have to enter the bidding at the 3-level.

Answer: 2♣

This is an ideal hand for a Weak Two in spades (SQT = 9). With all of our high cards in our long suit, our defensive prospects are limited.

Answer: 1

With 11 points and 6-4 in our longest two suits, this hand easily passes the Rule of 20. The void in spades makes us even more keen to open $1 \spadesuit$.

Answer: Pass

Our suit isn't quite good enough for a Weak Two (SQT is just 7). We need two honours to bid 2♥

Answer: Pass

We are in the pass-out seat. There is no opponent to pre-empt!! Our opponents have more points than us and have probably missed a making part contract. We will score an 'average' which is likely to be a good result.

Answer: 3♥

Extending the pre-empt. After the double West must bid. With a combined 9 hearts South 'bids to the level of the fit'. West will not know whether South has 0 points or 12 points and will have to guess.

Answer: Double

The double is for penalties. You have 13 HCP. Assuming partner has (say) 8 HCP the opponents have less than half the points and you are sitting over East's spades with an excellent spade suit.

Practise Weak 3 bids & Responses

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Choose your next bid

Hand: 1 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♣ J ♥ Q J 9 6 5 3 2 ◆ Q J 8 ♣ 4 2
Hand: 2 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♠ A Q J 9 7 4 2 ♥ 6 3 ♦ 10 5 ♣ 9 8
Hand: 3 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♠ ♥ 8 4 ♦ K J 9 6 5 4 2 ♣ A Q J 5
Hand: 4 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South P P ?	South ♠ 10 ▼ K Q 10 6 5 4 3 2 ◆ Q 10 3 ♣ 9
Hand: 5 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South ?	South ♣ J 8 ♥ K 6 ◆ Q 9 6 5 4 3 2 ♣ Q 4
Hand: 6 Dealer: South Vul: None West North East South 3 ◆ ?	South ★ K 3 ▼ K Q J 5 ◆ 8 ★ K Q J 7 3 2
Hand: 7 Dealer: South Vul: EW West North East South 3 ♥ P ?	South
Hand: 8 Dealer: North Vul: EW West North East South 2♥ X ?	South ♠ Q 9 7 6 ♥ 9 8 6 ♦ K 6 2 ♣ J 4 2

Answer: 3♥

Our suit is absolutely minimum for a Weak three, but with attractive shape it's generally OK to open 3.

Answer: 3♣

This is an ideal hand for a Weak Three in spades. With all of our high cards in our long suit, our defensive prospects are limited.

Answer: 1♦

With 11 points and 7-4 in our longest two suits, this hand easily passes the Rule of 20. The void in spades makes us even more keen to open $1 \diamondsuit$.

Answer: 4♥

With seven hearts we would open 3. The 8th heart is worth an extra trick. Our singleton spade suggests EW might well bid and make a spade contract. 3. may not be sufficient deterrent to prevent him bidding.

Answer: Pass

Our suit isn't quite good enough for a Weak Three.

Answer: Pass

15 HCP, but only 9 HCP in aces and Kings. Don't even think about 3NT. Partner's diamonds may be worthless unless he has outside entries to his hand. If the opponents enter the bidding your hand will be powerful in defence.

And don't think about rescuing into 4^{4} either. If partner is void in clubs you will have pushed the bidding one level higher with one fewer combined cards in clubs than in diamonds.

Answer: 5♥

Bidding to spoil. Bidding 'to the level of our fit'. EW are heading for game at least and possibly a slam. We should make at least 6 heart tricks plus two spade ruffs. 3 off doubled is -500 which will be a good score.

Answer: 3♥

Extending the pre-empt. With a combined 9 hearts South 'bids to the level of the fit'. West will not know whether South has 0 points or 12 points and will have to guess.