

Multi Two Bids

Rationale

Classic structures as Weak Twos have lost popularity at congresses and strong events. The opponents are simply too organized and bid effectively over the top of them. Multi Twos have become a popular alternative as they muddy the waters with a number of options to the suite of two level openings. Not all pairs play the multi twos with the same meaning – check with partner.

• **2C Game Force.** This is the only bid which is always strong. The 2NT rebid is 23-24 HCP and 3NT 25-26. This means that some one level openings must be available for strong bids. The jump shift by opener must also be game force. The reverse becomes 17 to 20 HCP and is forcing for one round.

• **2D – weak 2M (6-10 HCP) or 21 – 22 bal**

Major suit response up to 3S are pass or correct. These bids are based on the total number of trumps, not HCP.

Opener bids NT with the big balanced hand after which Puppet Stayman commences.

2H Pass or correct. If opener corrects to 2S and responder raises to 3S, it is the game invite.

2S Pass or correct. Since responder may have a game invite in hearts, opener's simple 3H rebid shows a minimum weak 2H. (*Fast Arrival*) With a maximum, opener bids 3C or 3D (Diamond feature)

2NT Asking bid. See Later

3C To Play, opp weak 2M

3D To Play, opp weak 2M

3H Pass or correct

3S Pass or correct

3NT To Play opp weak 2M

• After 2D – 2NT, opener rebids as follows:-

3C Hearts & Minimum (*lower HCP = lower bids*)

3D Spades & Minimum

3H Hearts & Maximum

3S Spades & Maximum

3NT big balanced hand

• If opposition interfere, X is penalties, if agreed.

Major suit bids are pass or correct up to 3S.

• **2H – 5-5 in hearts and another, 6 – 10 HCP**

2S Pass or correct

2NT Asking Bid. See Later

3C To Play

3D To Play

3H To Play, pre-emptive

3NT To Play

4H To Play

• After 2H – 2NT, opener rebids as follows:-

3C H & C, minimum (*lower HCP = lower bids*)

3D H & D, minimum

3H H & S, minimum

3S H & S, maximum

3NT H & minor, maximum

• If opposition interfere, X is penalties. 2S and 3S are pass or correct

• **2S – 5-5 in spades and a minor, 6 – 10 HCP**

3C is the pass or correct bid.

2NT Asking Bid. See Later.

3D To Play

3H To Play

3S To Play, pre-emptive

3NT To Play

4S To Play

• After 2S – 2NT, opener rebids as follows:-

3C S & C, minimum (*lower HCP = lower bids*)

3D S & D, minimum

3H S & C, maximum

3S S & D, maximum

• If opposition interfere, X is penalties. 3C and 4C are pass or correct

• **2NT – 5-5 in the minors, 6 – 10 HCP**

All responses are “to play”.

Try bidding these hands. West is dealer

♠64 ♠Q532 2D¹ 2H²

♥AKT654 ♥2 P

♦932 ♦A972 ¹weak 2M or 21-22 bal

♣54 ♣AK63 ²pass or correct.

East is not worth an enquiry. Opposite a weak 2H, 8 tricks will be enough. However, if west was a weak 2S bid, east would bid 4S after the correction

♠64 ♠T72 2D! 3S¹

♥AKT654 ♥Q832 4H all pass

♦932 ♦JT654 ²east bids to number of trumps. Note that east

must have both lengths to be so pre-emptive. Will they find 6S or 6C after this “snow” job? I doubt it.

♠AKT43 ♠2 2S¹ 3C²

♥8 ♥K943 all pass

♦64 ♦QJ32 ¹spades & minor, 6-10

♣JT432 ♣9876

²pass or correct. Nothing could be worse than 2S.

Easy bid with this shape. Using 2NT might get us too high.

♠7 ♠Q96543 2H¹ P²

♥AK654 ♥9 ¹hearts & another, 6–10

♦T9 ♦43 ²Not a good board for

the system. 2S by east

would be pass or correct. That could be OK or not.

2NT could elicit a 3D rebid – terrible. As the cards lie,

west would have rebid 3C which is great. Why pass?

(a) we're not doubled (b) west might be 6-5

♠AKT95 ♠4 2S! 2NT!

♥6 ♥A942 3NT¹! 6C²

♦32 ♦AK94 ¹spades & minor, max

♣K6543 ♣AQ76 ²PASS OR CORRECT!

East doesn't dare bid clubs below the level at which he wants to play. Scary.

♠A9 ♠K642 2D! 3H¹

♥AQT64 ♥J32 3NT²

♦KQ7 ♦932 ¹Presuming weak 2M

♣AQ6 ♣J73 ²21 – 22 balanced.

OK, we missed our 5-3 heart fit.

Either game could be tricky.