



Responder's bid on a 2CA opening

Your P has 24HCP or more (or the number of tricks except one for Game)

This bid is Game forcing.

The bids to this opening are conventional and aim to show Opener your strength and number of aces. Opener will know immediately if Game or Slam can be bid.

1) No aces

- 2♥ : no aces and less than 8HCP
- 2NT :no aces and more than 8HCP (or 2 kings)

| S | W | N | E |
|----|---|----|------|
| | | 2♦ | Pass |
| 2♥ | | | |



Problem E4530 2♥ showing a negative responding bid : weak (0-7HCP) no aces.

| S | W | N | E |
|------|---|----|------|
| | | 2♦ | Pass |
| 2 NT | | | |



Problem E4532 2NT Responding to a 2♦ Game forcing bid, here 2 kings are easily worth 8 HCP. This is an exception.



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2) The responding bids with 1 or 2 aces on a 2♦ opening :

- 2♠ : 1 ace in a major suit
- 3♣ : ace of ♣
- 3♦ : ace of ♦
- 3NT : 2 aces
- 4NT : 3 aces

| S | W | N | E |
|----|---|----|------|
| | | 2♦ | Pass |
| 2♠ | | | |



Problem E4534 2♠ response bid : meaning 1 ace in a major suit. This bid doesn't describe the strength of Responder's hand... the follow on bid will ..

| S | W | N | E |
|----|---|----|------|
| | | 2♦ | Pass |
| 3♣ | | | |



Problem E4536 3♣ or 3♦ promises an ace in the minor suit bid in response to 2♦.



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Exception response bids to a 2♦ opening

| S | W | N | E |
|----|---|----|------|
| | | 2♦ | Pass |
| 4♦ | | | |



Problem E4540 A jump bid promising 7 cards headed with Ace, King and Queen.



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Examples

| S | W | N | E |
|------|---|-----|------|
| | | 2 ♦ | Pass |
| 3 NT | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A | 8 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 4 | 2 | A | J | 6 | 5 | 4 |
| ♠ | ♠ | ♠ | ♠ | ♥ | ♣ | ♣ | ♣ | ♦ | ♦ | ♦ | ♦ | ♦ |

Problem E4538 Which shows 2 aces. Therefore a Slam is in sight.