



Preempt overcalls.

These require a maximum of 10HCP. The preempts are:

- the 2 level jump overcall in a major,
- overcalls at the 3rd, 4th and even 5th level in any suit,
- 3NT which shows a 7-card independent minor,
- 4NT which shows 2 mega minors



Problem E4405 2 ♠ A level 2 jump overcall in a major suit requires 6 cards and 6-9HCP. Here your preempt is the very lowest.



Problem E4408 1 ♠ Avoid jumping to 2 ♠ when you hold 2 aces.



Jump overcalls at level 2 in a major suit.

This hand is roughly equivalent to that of a weak 2 opening with:

- a strongish 6-card suit,
- 6-9HCP,
- without 4 cards in the other major, and not 2 aces.



Problème E4405

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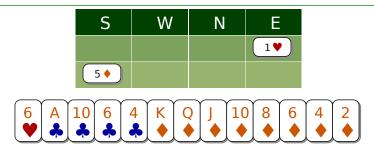
Jump overcalls at the 3rd, 4th or 5th level in a suit

They show a maximum of 10HCP and a number of cards which increases with the level:

- 7 cards at level 3
- 8 cards at level 4
- 9 cards at level 5



Problem E5392 3 ♥ With this beautiful 7-carder and nothing else, (your Js are worthless).



Problem 4128 5 ◆ Attack! One card only in the majors...it never happens! Hoist the Jolly Roger to block the opponents and prevent them from finding a contract in a major suit. If it doesn't turn up good... 2 tricks down, even if the contract has been doubled, it's still worth the try!





3NT and 4NT overcalls

- A 3NT overcall shows an independent 7-card minor
- A 4NT overcall shows a mega 2-suiter with at least 5-5 in the minors.



Problem E4125 3 NT. On a probable ♥ lead, you'll make 9 tricks. With another lead, you'll need your partner to give you a serious help. If you go down ... maybe your opponents would have made 4♠!



Problem E4312 4 SA A serious minor two-suiter...A serious attack against the major suits. If they wish to continue, your opponents have to bid at level 5 with very little information... Your partner perfectly knows what to expect.