



## Punitive or take-out double?

### The punitive double.

- As soon as your camp has the majority of HCP and particularly when the opps are vulnerable, favor the punitive double to looking for an alternative part score for your camp. Most of the time, you'll get a much better payoff.
- Also, remember that the double is always punitive in certain bidding sequences. In particular, after a 2level response by responder, after an overcall by 1NT on your partner's opening bid, after an overcall by your partner on a pre-empt opening bid, after a redouble and after the opps bids a suit called for by a take-out double.

S	W	N	E
		1 ♠	1 NT
X			



Problem E1031 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** Penalize the 1 NT overcall : Your camp holds a majority of HCPs !



S	W	N	E
		2 ♥	3 ♦
X			



Problem E8570 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** Almost too good to be true!



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**After a preemptive bid and an overcall by the opps, a double by responder is always punitive !**

This there is no such bid as a sputnik after a preemptive bid.

Q ♠	8 ♠	6 ♠	8 ♥	A ♣	Q ♣	J ♣	10 ♣	6 ♣	5 ♣	4 ♣	8 ♦	5 ♦
S			W			N		E				
						3 ♣		3 ♥				
x												
A ♠	9 ♠	7 ♠	K ♥	J ♥	9 ♥	5 ♥	2 ♥	7 ♣	A ♦	9 ♦	7 ♦	6 ♦

Problem E8568 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** The double of an overcall on a pre-emptive bid is always punitive.

S	W	N	E
		1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	2 ♥	X	Pass
Pass			

6	2	10	4	A	9	8	6	A	K	10	9	7
♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E8569 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** Even if you are not Agatha Christie, you know your partner has 7 leading cards in ♣....The opps that did not want to be hindered, will now have to face the consequences conséquences !



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### PUNITIVE DOUBLE .

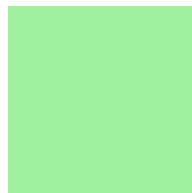
- After a suit change at the 2 level by responder, .
- After a 1NT overcall by the opps, a double of the responder's bid is punitive.
- After a redouble by your camp, All doubles are punitive (by responder as well as by opener.

S	W	N	E
		1 ♠	Pass
2 ♦	2 ♥	X	Pass
Pass			

6	2	10	4	A	9	8	6	A	K	10	9	7
♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem E1366 **PASS** After your suit change at the 2 level , the opener knows that your camp holds a majority of HCPs. He will punish the opps by passing !

S	W	N	E
1 ♥	X	XX	2 ♦
X			



A	8			
A	Q	9	7	4
K	10			
Q	10	9	6	

Problem E1021 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** After a redouble (10+HCP) All doubles are punitive



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### A second double is sometimes punitive, but not always..

The 2nd double, which means a double in response to a take-out double

- punitive when the opps name a suit called for in the take-out double,
- It remainstake-out when the opps responder just supports this partner's bd

S	W	N	E
	1 ♦	X	1 ♠
X			

A	J	9	8	7	4	2	A	8	7	4	3	2
♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦

Problem E4739 **PUNITIVE DOUBLE** After a take-out double, la double by the doubler's partner is punitive if the responder names a suit called for in the take-out double.

5	4	8	6	5	K	Q	9	8	A	J	10	4
♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

S	W	N	E
			1 ♥
X	2 ♥	X	Pass
3 ♦	Pass	Pass	

K	J	10	7	7	2	A	10	7	K	Q	9	8
♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Problem 9092 **TAKE OUT DOUBLE** West has not named a suit called for in the take-out double, but simply showed support for his partner. The 2nd double is take-out. Bid your ♦ !