



## Response to a major preemptive bid

### Response to a preemptive bid at level 3.

Reminders :

- Your partner is bringing you 5 or 6 tricks in his suit
- Any shift is forcing, except at game level.
- Any raise bid is not a game proposal, but an extension of the preemptive bid : the opener shall pass.

Responding to a preemptive bid is just a matter of common sense :

- Count your tricks
- Choose the right level for the contract. Remember that if you are playing a sacrifice contract, your opponents will double !

S	W	N	E
		3 ♥	Pass
Pass			

K	J	9	6	5	3	K	Q	9	7	K	Q	9
♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦

Exercise 9969 PASS You can't afford to exchange 7 ♥ for 5 very ordinary ♠...



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### Bluffing after a major preemptive bid.

When you feel your opponents may have a game, or a slam in a major suit...try to make their life difficult !

- In this case, according to the vulnerability, do not extend the preempt, bid 3 or 4 NT.... Indeed !!!
- If the opponents double, get back to your partner's suit at level 4 or 5. The level depends on the number of doubled tricks you can lose !

S	W	N	E
		3 ♥	Pass
3 NT			

4	Q	10	7	A	10	8	7	4	7	6	5	4
♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦

Exercise 9978 If you bid 4 ♥, your opponents might end up at 4 ♠....If you bid 3 NT and accept to be 4 tricks short, it is going to be more complicated for them ! If the opponents double, get back to 4 ♥ !

S	W	N	E
		3 ♥	Pass
4 NT			

2	J	10	7	5	3	6	3	A	9	8	7	6
♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦	♦	♦

Exercise 9975 4 NT ! Pretend to make a Blackwood in order to play 5 ♥....What are your opponents going to do ??