



## Response to a level 3 preemptive opening bid.

### Response to a preemptive opening bid

The opener has said everything : a 7 carder, a maximum of 10HCP....and nothing else. He is promising 6 tricks. You are the one to decide what is happening next and which contract would be best for your pair.

- Any shift is forcing, except if it is at game level.
- Any support bid is a prolongation of the preempt, not a game proposal; the opener shall pass.
- With no stopper in the other suits and less than 13-14HCP, PASS

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



Exercise E1612 PASS : no stoppers and no support.

| S   | W | N   | E    |
|-----|---|-----|------|
|     |   | 3 ♣ | Pass |
| 3 ♥ |   |     |      |



Exercise E1616 You must name such a nice major suit. You'd rather try 4♥ than 5♣. Your bid is forcing...your partner will tell you if he's got 2 ♥ cards.

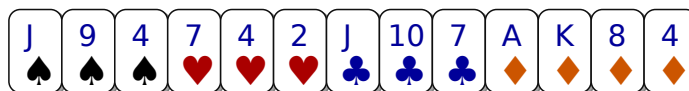


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**After a 3♣ or a 3♦ opening bid, you should bid :**

- 3NT with 13-14HCP and stoppers in the other suits
- With a 2 to 3 support cards and about 10HCP, raise to level 4 (this is not a game proposal)
- Go to game (level 5) with a 4 card support and 3 tricks
- With a strong hand but no NT possible bid, name a new suit

| S  | W | N  | E    |
|----|---|----|------|
|    |   | 3♣ | Pass |
| 4♣ |   |    |      |



Exercise E1611 With a fit and no stoppers in the other suits, extend the preemptive bid

| S    | W | N  | E    |
|------|---|----|------|
|      |   | 3♣ | Pass |
| 3 NT |   |    |      |



Exercise E1619 stoppers in all suits...almost 9 tricks!



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### After a 3 ♥ or 3 ♠ opening bid

- No support, no stoppers in the other suits and less than 12 HCP : PASS
- With more than 10 HCP and a 3 card support raise at level 4. That is a STOP.
- With 13-14HCP , stoppers in the other suits and no fit : 3 NT

| S    | W | N   | E    |
|------|---|-----|------|
|      |   | 3 ♥ | Pass |
| Pass |   |     |      |



Exercise E4453 PASS : your 3 Aces are not worth much... they will just minimize the defeat !



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### Examples

| S   | W | N   | E    |
|-----|---|-----|------|
|     |   | 3 ♥ | Pass |
| 4 ♠ |   |     |      |

|   |   |    |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|----|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| K | Q | 10 | 9 | 6 | 5 | 2 | 7 | 5 | A | Q | J | 9 |
| ♠ | ♠ | ♠  | ♠ | ♠ | ♠ | ♠ | ♥ | ♣ | ♦ | ♦ | ♦ | ♦ |

Exercise E4469 4 ♠ and that's it. This is a STOP !