

Deal 1North Deals
None Vul

♠ 7
 ♥ Q 10 8 6 4
 ♦ A 4
 ♣ J 10 8 3 2

10
 7 **11**
12

♠ Q J 9 6
 ♥ A K
 ♦ 8 5 2
 ♣ 9 7 6 5

♠ A 5 2
 ♥ 9 7 2
 ♦ K Q 10 9 3
 ♣ Q 4

♠ K 10 8 4 3
 ♥ J 5 3
 ♦ J 7 6
 ♣ A K

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
Pass			
2 ♠ by South			

With 11 points in support of ♠s you need to let partner know. The way to do it is to bid **2 ♣**.

Partner rebids **2 ♦**, confirming a full-strength opening bid. What do you bid next?

You've told partner you had at least a limit raise, now you need to tell him that it is pretty minimal. You bid **2 ♠** and everybody passes.

Deal 2North Deals
None Vul

♠ A 4 3
 ♥ A 10 9 5
 ♦ 10 3 2
 ♣ A 9 7

6
 12 9
 13

♠ J 10 9 6

♥ Q 8
 ♦ 8 6

♣ K 8 6 5 3

W	N
S	E

♠ 2
 ♥ J 6 3 2
 ♦ A J 9 5 4
 ♣ Q J 4

♠ K Q 8 7 5
 ♥ K 7 4
 ♦ K Q 7
 ♣ 10 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	3 ♠	Pass	Pass

3 ♠ by South

You open in third seat and the bidding continues as shown.

If you thought North had 11 points you'd bid 4 ♠. But you know he has a weak hand - with T+ points and support he would have said 2 ♣.

His 3 ♠ bid is just preemptive, so you pass.