

**Board 1**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ A 9  
♥ Q T 9 5  
♦ 8 5 2  
♣ J T 9 6

♠ 5 4

♥ 8 6 3

♦ A K Q 9 7 4

♣ 8 5



♠ T 8 7 6 3 2

♥ J 4 2

♦ T

♣ Q 7 3

♠ K Q J

♥ A K 7

♦ J 6 3

♣ A K 4 2

West	North	East	South
	2♦	Pass	2NT
Pass	3NT	Pass	6NT
All Pass			

6NT by South

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The 2NT response to a Weak Two opening is a wonderful tool. You can learn a lot about

partner's hand and you are absolutely certain that it will not be passed out.

In this Deal SOUTH has a huge hand and NORTH opens 2

.

There are a lot of approaches SOUTH might try, but the simplest is to start with 2NT.

When NORTH shows

A K Q x x x SOUTH has an easy 6NT bid.

**Board 2**

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 4  
♥ T 9 7 6  
♦ A Q T 7  
♣ K J T 2

♠ K J 6

♥ A Q J 4 2

♦ 9 6 4

♣ A 5

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♠ T 8 3

♥ 8 5

♦ K J 3

♣ Q 9 8 6 4

♠ A Q 9 7 5 2

♥ K 3

♦ 8 5 2

♣ 7 3

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NORTH is unsure whether to bid game or not. So she temporizes with 2NT.

SOUTH shows an above average hand plus a high card in

s.

NORTH is no longer unsure, so she bids 4 .

West	North	East	South
			2 ♠
Pass	2NT	Pass	3 ♥
Pass	4 ♠	All Pass	

4 ♠ by North

**Board 3**

South Deals

E-W Vul

♠ 7 5 2

♥ K

♦ Q 2

♣ K J T 9 8 4 3

♠ K J 3

♥ A Q J 4 2

♦ 9 6 4

♣ A 5



♠ T

♥ T 9 8 7 6

♦ A K J T 5

♣ Q 6

♠ A Q 9 8 6 4

♥ 5 3

♦ 8 7 3

♣ 7 2

West

North

East

South

Pass

2NT

Pass

2 ♠

3 ♠

All Pass

3 ♠ by South

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NORTH is unsure whether to bid game or not, so he bids 2NT to get more information about

SOUTH's hand.

SOUTH's 3 is discouraging, a hand below average in strength and no outside high card.

NORTH passes and hopes for the best.

**Board 4**

North Deals

Both Vul

♠ T 9 4 2  
♥ T 6 5  
♦ Q 6 4 2  
♣ A 2

♠ 5  
♥ 8  
♦ 9 7 5 3  
♣ K Q J 9 8 6 3

	N	
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♠ K Q J 8 7  
♥ 9 3  
♦ K J T  
♣ T 7 5

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

West

North

East

South

3 ♣

Pass

4 ♥

All Pass

4 ♥ by South

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SOUTH has no way to tell whether NORTH can provide one winner or not.

So she takes the bold approach and bids 4

.

If the opening lead is a    or a

then SOUTH

will probably make the game. Otherwise she will likely go down one.

**Board 5**

North Deals

None Vul

♠ 9  
 ♥ 8 5  
 ♦ K J T 8 6 4  
 ♣ Q J T 3

♠ Q J T 7 4 2

♥ K Q 7 2

♦ 5 2

♣ 9



♠ A 8 6 5

♥ T 4

♦ 9 3

♣ A K 7 5 2

♠ K 3

♥ A J 9 6 3

♦ A Q 7

♣ 8 6 4

West

North

East

South

Pass

3♥

Pass

4♥

All Pass

4♥ by South

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Most good players have an extra restriction in their

Weak Two-bid guidelines - they won't

open with a Weak Two-bid when they hold an outside  
4-card Major, even if the hand qualifies

otherwise. This Deal shows why.

If NORTH opened with 2 SOUTH might well pass  
and a

game

would be missed.

**Board 6**

North Deals

E-W Vul

♠ T 9 7 5 4  
♥ Q 9 8  
♦ Q  
♣ A 5 3 2

♠ 6 2

♥ 7 4 2

♦ A J T 8 3 2

♣ K 7

	N	
W		E
	S	

♠ K J 8

♥ K 6 5 3

♦ 9 6

♣ J 9 8 6

♠ A Q 3

♥ A J T

♦ K 7 5 4

♣ Q T 4

West

North

East

South

2 ♦

Pass

2NT

Pass

3 ♣

Pass

3NT

All Pass

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SOUTH responds 2NT, asking for more information.

When NORTH shows a decent hand with a high  
SOUTH should bid 3NT.

3 NT by South