

Board 1

South Deals

None Vul

♠ 5 2
♥ T 9 6
♦ K Q 9 4 3
♣ Q J 8

♠ K T 8 4 3

♥ J 5 3

♦ J 7 6

♣ A K

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♠ A 7
♥ Q 8 7 4 2
♦ A T
♣ T 4 3 2

♠ Q J 9 6
♥ A K
♦ 8 5 2
♣ 9 7 6 5

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1♠	Pass	2♣
Pass	2♦	Pass	2♠

All Pass

2 ♠ by South

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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.

Board 2

North Deals

None Vul

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

♠ J T 9 6

♥ Q 8

♦ 8 6

♣ K 8 6 5 3

♠ 4 3 2	♦ A J 6 5 3
♥ A J 6 5 3	♦ J 9
♦ J 9	♣ A 9 7
♣ A 9 7	

♠ K Q 8 7 5	
♥ K 7 4	
♦ K Q 7	
♣ T 2	

West	North	East	South
	Pass	Pass	1♠
Pass	3♠	All Pass	

3 ♠ by North

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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.