

Responsive Doubles



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Time for a Joke

A thief entered a house late one afternoon. He tied up the woman, and at knife point, asked the man to hand over the jewelry and money.

The man started sobbing and said, “You can take anything you want. But please untie *her* and let *her* go!”

The thief replied, “You must really love your wife!”

The man answered, “Not particularly, but she’ll be coming home shortly!”

Responsive Doubles

How the heck do I tell them I have no idea where I'm going?



Take-out Doubles are made by overcallers.
 Negative Doubles are made by responders.
 Responsive Doubles are made by responders.

A Negative Double is made by a responder **after his partner has opened the bidding** in a suit and RHO bids a new suit (see below).
 A Responsive Double is made by a responder **after his partner overcalls or makes a Take-out Double**, and RHO raises opener's suit.

* Showing BOTH majors and 8+ HCPs.

* Showing the two unbid suits.

NEGATIVE DOUBLES

1)

North	East	South	West
Pass	1C	2D	???
Also applies over opp's jumps.			
West	♠Q1097 ♥AJ53 ♦Q43 ♣85		

Dbl*

West

If partner bids ♣'s, correct back to ♦'s.

2)

North	East	South	West
Pass	1D	1S	???
West	♠Q107 ♥AJ53 ♦Q943 ♣85		

Dbl*

West

RESPONSIVE DOUBLES

A)

North	East	South	West
1D	1S	2D	???
West	♠3 ♥KJ92 ♦A5 ♣J9764		

Dbl*

West

Partner, what suit do you like?

B)

North	East	South	West
1D	Dbl	5D	???
West	♠K873 ♥KJ62 ♦A5 ♣AJ4		

Dbl*

West

Hand #1

Responsive Double:

Partner, I have enough HCPs to compete at the 4-level. You choose an unbid suit.

A jump raise in competition is weak (because a cue bid of 2S is available).

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>
1H	1S	3H*	Dbl*
Pass	4C	Pass	5C
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Clubs for partner, but no extras.

North

♠ J6
♥ AK1093
♦ AJ9
♣ 1043

West

♠ Q3
♥ 6
♦ Q10876
♣ AKQ86

Q♠ and a singleton ♥ are enough to go to game.

East

♠ AK872
♥ 52
♦ K5
♣ J975

South

♠ 10954
♥ QJ874
♦ 432
♣ 2

N/S makes 2H.

E/W makes 5C.

Time for Another Joke

Behind every great man
there is a great woman



Hand #2

A jump raise in competition is weak (VUL might bid 3D).

Hands with 10+ HCPs start with a redouble.

Responsive Double:

Partner, I have enough HCPs to compete at this level. You choose an unbid suit.

<u>North</u>	<u>East</u>	<u>South</u>	<u>West</u>
1D	Dbl	4D*	Dbl*
Pass	4H	Pass	Pass
Pass			

North

♠ Q1096
♥ Q93
♦ AQJ3
♣ Q4

East

♠ KJ2
♥ A1082
♦ 54
♣ A1095

West

♠ A753
♥ KJ65
♦ 7
♣ KJ83

South

♠ 84
♥ 74
♦ K109862
♣ 762

Without a Responsive Double over 4D, E/W might get to their 7-card spade fit instead.

N/S makes 1D.

E/W makes 6H (by peeking).

Playtime

Instead of all the negative postings, here is a pic of some topless chicks in short skirts

