

## **Lesson 27 Examples**

## **Examples of 2\* openers**

- 1) **♠** AKJ
  - ♥ KQ5
  - ♦ AQ8
  - **♣** KQ83

8+5+6+5 = 24HCP

Too strong to open 2NT

**Y** 

2)

♥ AKQJ63

**♠** A2

AKQ5

**4** 6

A strong hand with 11 Playing Tricks in hearts.

Too strong for 2♥ or 4♥. Open 2♣ to show a very strong hand.

## Examples of responses to a 24 opener

- **↑** 72
- ♥ AQJ54
- ♦ QJ96
- **\*** 83

Good heart suit, 2 top honours 10HCP

Bid 2♥

- **♦** A83
- **♥** Q4
- 963
- **♣** K9752
- 2 ← the club suit is not good enough to bid, and you have only 9HCP, not enough for 2NT
- **▲** KQ732
- **v** 10
- **♦** 7532
- **♣** K43

2 top honours in spades, 8HCP **Bid 2** •

- **♦** 8765
- **y** 54
- ♦ 9832
- **4** 1094

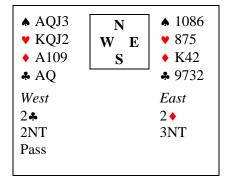
We *must* respond to 2♣. No choice but 2♦ (put this hand opposite the 10 tricks in hearts above)

- **▲** K76
- **y** 9
- ◆ AQ10852
- **4** 743

Good diamond suit, 9HCP

- 2♦ is the waiting bid so we have to bid 3♦ to show our diamond suit
- ♠ KJ2
- **972**
- ♦ J103
- ♣ QJ107

8HCP, no good suit, so 2 • Whatever partner does next you must try to show some strength



West shows a balanced hand with 23-24HCP East has not much – but 3HCP is enough to bid 3NT

♠ AKQ4	N	<b>▲</b> J1082
<b>♥</b> A96	WE	♥ Q1054
♦ KQJ2	S	<b>♦</b> 963
♣ AJ		<b>4</b> 75
West		East
2 <b>.</b>		2♦
2NT		<b>3♣</b>
3♠		<b>4</b> ♠
Pass		

East uses Stayman to find out which is the best game just as he would over 2NT, but with fewer points