

## Answers to Quiz on Various Doubles

1) East's double is a negative double, showing the other major.
2) East's double is a penalty double, showing defense versus 1 NT.
3) East's double is a negative double, showing both minors.
4) East's double is a penalty double, suggesting penalizing the opponents if they do not find a fit.
5) East's double is a takeout double, requesting that West bid.
6) East's double is a negative double, showing the other major.
7) East's double is a penalty double, showing defense versus $3 C$.
8) East's double is an optional double. East shows points that could either defend 4 H or be a useful dummy if West bids.
9) Auction 9 is on vacation.
10) East's double is a cooperative-takeout double, suggesting that West compete. West may pass with a defensive hand.
11) West's double is popularly played as a support double, showing three-card Heart support (in any strength hand).
12) West's double is a takeout double, requesting that East bid.
13) West's double is a takeout double, requesting that East bid.
14) West's double is a cooperative-takeout double, suggesting that West compete. East may pass with a defensive hand.
15) West's double is a penalty double, showing defense versus 2D.
16) West's double is a takeout double, requesting that East bid.
17) West's double is a penalty double, showing defense versus $2 S$.
18) East's double is a takeout double, requesting that West bid.
19) East's double is a takeout double, requesting that West bid.
20) Both East's doubles are takeout doubles, requesting West bid.

Optional doubler has $3 ½$ quick tricks.
There are no strict shape requirements for an optional double.
Optional doubler might have two, three, or four A's.

| Auction 22 |  |
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| South Deals | N |
| None Vul | S |

Just a trump stack is not appropriate for an optional double. Simply pass.

If you were playing "penalty" doubles (not recommended), you would double here.

| Auction 25 |  | A K Q 96 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| South Deals | N | $\bigcirc 6$ |
| None Vul |  | $\diamond$ A Q 865 |
|  | 5 | \& A 84 |


| South   <br> 40 West North | East | South <br> 10 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Pass | 40 | Dbl |  |

Doubles of raised suits are for takeout showing support for unbid suits. Often a singleton in the Opponents' suit.


Is this a good double?
Would a double be takeout or optional?
What is the best bid?

Deal 1A
North Deals
None Vul
AQ 97532

- Q 6

64
\& K J 6

OAKJ8732
$\diamond 87$
\& Q 972
A -


A J 106
○ 54
$\diamond$ K Q 10932
\& 85

West


East
Dbl
All pass
4 A by West
Opening Lead: $\bigcirc \mathrm{A}$

Deal 1B
North Deals
None Vul

A 975
○ J 9
$\diamond 10983$
\& K 987
$\diamond$ AK Q 7
\& A 543
AA Q 2
○ 43

A 43
○ AK Q 10762
$\diamond$ J
\& Q J 2

AK J 1086
$\bigcirc 85$
$\diamond 6542$
\& 106

West

Pass

North


Dbl

East
40
Pass

South
Pass
4 A

All pass
4 A by South
Opening Lead: $\bigcirc \mathrm{J}$

> Deal 3
> South Deals
> E-W Vul
> $\diamond 10873$
> \& K Q 54
> A A 32
> ○ K J 987
> A 94
> \& 76
> AK 94
> ○ 106
> A Q J 10
> ○ A Q 543
> $\diamond K$ Q J
> \& A 2

West
North
East
South 10
Pass
1 NT
Pass
3 NT

Dbl!
All pass
3 NT $\times$ by North
Opening Lead: $\bigcirc 2$

