

Fifth Chair



Multi 2D

This bid is used as a way of showing 3 possible things:

2D=Multi: either a weak 2 in a Major lets the other hand possibly be playing, as the response is 2h - if followed by 2s shows a weak 2 spade bid

OR it's a strong 2 in a minor, again followed by 2h and then the 3 bid shows the strong 2 in the minor or.....

20-22 and balanced hand then bidding proceeds...2d 2h 2NT

Defenses against Multi 2D

Defending against a multi 2D opening is a tricky business. There are a few things to consider.

Unless you have a serious partnership, a relatively simple defense is best. Even if the defense might not be optimal, the less room for ambiguity, the better.

There are a large number of different suggested defenses to the Multi 2D, which have different flavors to them.

Possible sources of information include the rec.games.bridge archives, any number of different web sites on the net, and The Excellent Book "Preempts from A to Z" (In my mind one of the best features of this book was the inclusion of a number of different suggested defenses to the majority of the preemptive openings).