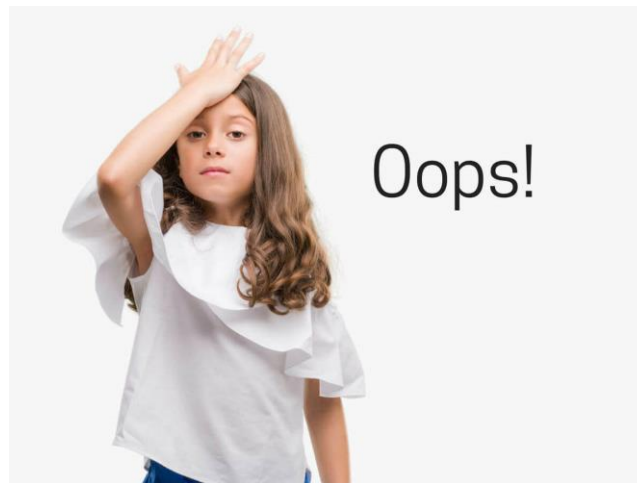


Learn From ~~Mistakes~~ Mistakes



10 Common Bridge Errors and How to Avoid Them.

North	East	South	West
1 ♠	pass	2 ♦	pass
2nt	pass	3nt	all pass

Mistake No. 1

Failing to support partner's major suit.

North Hand

♠	A Q 10 8 4
♥	A 8 6
♦	4 2
♣	K 8 4

South Hand

♠	J 6 4
♥	Q 9 3
♦	A Q 10 5 3
♣	J 2

North

1 

pass

East(you)

pass

pass

South

2 

West


pass

Mistake No. 2

Failing to balance


Double

East Hand

 A 10 8 4

 8 6

 K J 4 2

 J 10 8

North

1 

pass

East(you)

pass

pass

South

2 

West


pass

Mistake No. 2a

Failing to balance


3 

East Hand

 A 10 8

 8 6

 K 9 2

 Q J 10 8 7

North

1 ♠

double

East(you)

2 ♥

pass

South

pass

pass

West

pass

pass

Mistake No. 3

A bad two-level

overcall

pass




East Hand

♠ A 10 8

♥ K Q 9 8 6

♦ 9 2





♣ J 8 5

North	East(you)	South	West
-----	1 	pass	1 
pass	1nt	pass	2 
pass	2nt		

Mistake No.4

Failure to listen
carefully to the
auction
pass

East Hand

 8
 K 10 9
 A Q 9 2
 A 8 7 5 3

North

pass

East(you)

1 

2 

South

pass

West


1 

Mistake No.5

Using a reverse
bid when it is
incorrect to do so
1 nt

East Hand

 8 2

 K 10 9 7

 A Q

 A 8 7 5 3

North

2 

East

Pass

South

1 

4 

West

pass (you)

all pass

North Hand

 Q J 7 3

 8 6 5

 7 5 3


 A 5 4

West Hand

 A K 8 2

 9 7

 9 6 4

 Q 9 6 2

Mistake No.6

Failure to look
carefully at
dummy

North

3 ♠

East(you)

2 ♥

4 ♥ ?

South

2 ♠

West

3 ♥

East Hand

♠ 2

♥ A Q J 7 4 3

♦ 9 6

♣ Q 8 6 2

Mistake No.7

Repeating your
preempt

Pass

North

1 

3 

East(you)

double

?

South

2 

West

2 

East Hand

 A J 7 2

 3

 K 9 4 2

 A J 10 6

Mistake No. 8

Repeating your values. Tell partner what you have. Only Once Pass

North

1 ♥

pass

3 ♥

East(you)

pass

double

?

South

2 ♥

pass

West

pass

2 ♠

East Hand

♠ K 10 7 2

♥ 3 2

♦ K 9 4

♣ A 10 9 6

Mistake No. 8a

Repeating your values. Tell partner what you have. Only Once Pass

North

1 

East(you)

1  ?

South

West

East Hand

 Q 7 2

 J 8 6 5 2


 A 4

 K J 6

 J 5 4

 K 3

 9 7 5

 Q 10 8 5 4

Mistake No. 9

Misleading partner
with a bad over-call.

Pass

North

East(you)

2 ♥ ?

South

West

♠ Q 7 2

♥ Q 9 8 6 5 2

♦ A 4

♣ Q 5

Mistake No. 10

Making a weak-two
bid with a poor suit

Pass

North

East(you)

South

West

3 

 Q 7 2

 Q J 10 8 6 5 2

 A 4

 7 5

 Q 7 2

 K J 10 8 6 5 2

 A 4

 7 5

 9 7 2

 K Q J 8 6 5 2

 A 4

 7 5