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MOSSO:
Example
Auctions and
Quizzes

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Chapter 1 Introduction

Section 1.1 General

This book is intended to be read in conjunction with the authors' book "The MOSSO bidding system", which comprises tables of bids and supporting narrative that together provide a comprehensive description of MOSSO.

Although the MOSSO book defines the full system in detail it does not contain any example hands, which for many people would enhance their understanding of MOSSO. The omission is rectified by this companion volume, which provides a large amount of supplementary guidance relating to the system. Much of the material relates to the "standard" version of MOSSO, but this book also covers the various refinements that serve to define the enhanced version of the system, Più MOSSO.

Section 1.2 Outline of this book

Readers of the book on the MOSSO system are assumed to know at least one standard bidding system, but it can still be helpful to illustrate the various bids using example hands. Rather than just provide them, it's more effective to present them in the form of quizzes. This way readers can test their understanding of the system before matching each problem hand with the bid shown in the answer section. There are a few "trick" questions, where the earlier bidding has been incorrect. Some of the quizzes specifically address the first three bids of the auction, while others cover a variety of later bidding situations.

This book also contains many examples of complete auctions for pairs of hands. It is assumed that the players are using up-the-line cue bidding together with the Kickback variant of RKCB (references [7] and [13] in the system book), but a MOSSO partnership could also play Turbo or regular RKCB. These auctions are mainly intended to illustrate how the bidding might continue beyond the sequences covered in the tables of bids: it is recognized that not all pairs would duplicate them.

THREE BIDDING SYSTEMS COMBINED INTO ONE

For the last three years, Richard Granville and David Burn have been developing MOSSO, a new bidding system derived from Two-over-One, Fantunes and Polish Club. MOSSO brings together the best features of its parent systems, while providing an effective interface between them. The system has been the subject of enthusiastic discussion on the popular website bridgewinners.com. This second volume contains example auctions and quizzes. The first volume, *The Mosso Bidding System*, describes the full system in detail.



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