

RESPONSES TO OPENING BIDS
Describe strength, minimum length or specific meaning

| 14 | 1 |
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|  | $19 / 4$ |
|  | $1 N T$ |
|  | 2 |
|  | 2 |
|  | 2 |
|  | 2 |

1* $1 \geqslant / 4$
1NT
2.

2
24
2.

2NT

| 19/4 | 1 NT | 6-9 HCP, non forcing | 3 | WEAK 6+, 7-9 HCP no fit |
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|  | 2 | 10+ HCP, 4+ suit | 3 | WEAK 6+ $\downarrow$, 7-9 HCP no fit |
|  | 2 | 10+ HCP, 4+ suit | 3\%/4 | LIMIT RAISE say 10-11 HCP |
|  | 29/4 | weak raise,6-9) HCP | 3NT | 13-15 FLAT, to play |
|  | 2NT | GF FIT JACOBY STYLE | 40/* | SPLINTER, FIT, 10-13 HCP |
| 2 | 2 | misc 5-8 OR any 9+ | 24/4 | $2 \mathrm{~S}=5-8 \& 5+S(2 N T$ same on |
|  | other | $2 \mathrm{H}=0-4 \mathrm{HCP}, 3 \mathrm{CD}=5-8$ and | 5+suit | headed by honour, jump suit=na |
| 2 | 24 | PASS OR CORRECT | 3*/4 | NATURAL, NON FORCING |
|  | 2 | P or C is interested in H game | $3 \mathrm{M} / 4$ | PASS or CORRECT |
|  | 2NT | RELAY usually 15+ HCP | 3NT | natural, to play |
| 2\%/4 | 2NT | RELAY usually $15+\mathrm{HCP}$ | 3 NT | TOPLAY |
|  | 3*/* | PASS or CORRECT | 4*/* | PASS or CORRECT |
|  | 3\%/4 | NON FORCING pre-empt ish | 49/4 | TOPLAY |
| 2NT | 3 | 5 CARD STAYMAN | 4 | GF Natural 6+ suit |
|  | 3 | TRANSFER to ${ }^{\text {P }}$ | 4 | GF Natural 6+ suit |
|  | 34 | TRANSFER to ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 4 | to play |
|  | 34 | SHOWS 54 and 4 | 4. | to play |
|  | 3NT | to play | other |  |

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## Additional responses to 1 NT

| $3 / 3$ | INMTATIONAL, shows 2 of top 3 honours, 6+ suit |
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| $3 / 3$ | GF, Slammish, 6+ suit |
| 4 | GF NATURAL SLAMMISH |
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| 4 | to play |

Unusual NT: minors $\square \quad$ other suits $\square \quad$ lower 2 unbid suits
other

| Other slam bidding | Cue Bids $\square$ | Asking Bids $\square$ |
| :--- | :---: | ---: |
| 4th Suit Forcing | One round |  |

Game force

NT Checkback Priorities range - then 3 card fit or not
Defence to $3 N T$ opening $4 *=$ TAKEOUT \& longer or better $\bullet, 4 \downarrow=$ ditto on $\boldsymbol{\varphi}$
Defence to opening Two's: Multi $2 \downarrow 2 \mathrm{H}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ of $\vee, 2 \mathrm{~S}=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ of $\uparrow, X=$ some $15+$ type $3 \mathrm{M}=$ strongish 8PTricks, $2 \mathrm{NT}=15-18 \mathrm{bal}$ stopps both M
RCO style 2-s 1-2-3 Doubles (First $X=15+$ ), $2 N T=15-18$ bal

Other 2-s To MYXO --double=T/O of weak two option, $2 \mathrm{NT}=15-18 \mathrm{Bal}$

Defence to strong \& $\quad X=$ minors, 1Suit= that suit and next higher suit, $1 \mathrm{NT}=2$ non touchin suits, In 4th seat after (1C) - P - (1D) - 2D here is both majors Over NT interference in our 1NT open or overcall auction
Other uses in response to our $X$ of your simple weak 2 or multi 2D or RCO two

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Take out of 4 level pre-empts \(4 \geqslant / 4\) DOUBLE
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4V DOUBLE 4i 4NT

## OTHER NOTES

NOTES ON POTTAGE: is similar to Hamilton and Cappelletti - thus
$2 \%=$ unknown single suiter (should have 11+ HCP and 6+ suit),
$2 \mathrm{M}=5+$ this major and 5+ of a minor and 11+ HCP or compensating shape $2 \star=$ BOTH MAJORS and $11+$ HCP (if VUL will be $5+5+$ shape) DBLE $=$ penalties


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| 18 |  | $4+6+\mathrm{pts}$ | 2NT | $12+$ pts no 4 card major |
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|  | 19/4 | $4+$ - $/$ ¢ $6+\mathrm{pts}$ |  | 5-10-11 pts |
|  | 1 NT | 6-10 pts no 4 card major | 3 | preempt in |
|  | 20 | 4+ 6-10 pts | 34 | preempt in $\downarrow$ |
|  | 2 | 5+14+pts | 3) | preempt in ${ }_{\text {c }}$ |
|  | 24 | $4+$ \& 4+ 9-11 pts | 3NT | 12-14 pts something to protect |
|  | 21 | $6+$ 3-6 pts | 4 bids | \$/ preemptive $\geqslant /$ to play |
| 1* | 19/4 | $4+\sim / 2+\mathrm{pts}$ |  | $5+14+$ pts |
|  | 1 NT | 6-10 pts no 4 card major | 3 | 5 - 10-11 pts |
|  | 20 | 4+ $10+\mathrm{pts}$ |  | preempt in $\vee$ |
|  | 2 | 4+ 10 pts | 34 | preempt in ${ }_{\text {c }}$ |
|  | 29 | $4+$ \& 4+ ${ }^{\text {c }}$ 9-11 pts | 3NT | 12-14 pts something to protect |
|  | 24 | $6+3-6 \mathrm{pts}$ |  | preempt |
|  | 2NT | 12 + pts no 4 card major | 4 Other $/$ sta to play |  |


| 19/4 | 1NT | 6-10 pts | 3 | Bergen 4+ / $_{\text {s }}$ 7-10 pts |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 28 | 4+ $10+\mathrm{pts}$ | 3 | Bergen 4+ $\uparrow / \pm 11$ pts |
|  | 2 | 4+ 6-10 pts | 3\%/4 | 4+ $9 / \pm 0-6 \mathrm{pts}$ |
|  | 29/4. | $3+9 / 4$ 6-10 pts | 3NT | 12-14 pts cards to protect |
|  | 2NT | Jacoby (opener bids new suit) | 40/* | splinter |
| 26 | 2 | Neg or waiting | 2V/4 | 5+ cards A\&K |
|  | other | 2NT 7-10 pts no Ace |  |  |


| 2 | 2 | Pass or correct | 3/4 | preemptive natural |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 24 | $3+\vee$ can have no points | 3\%/s | $4+\vee$ preemptive |
|  | 2NT | ? openener bids $\boldsymbol{\nabla} / \boldsymbol{\text { good han }}$ | B3NT | To play |
| 2\%14 | 2NT | Relay | 3NT | To play |
|  | 3/4 | Nat not forcing | 4m/3 | splinter |
|  | 3\%/4 | weak over ${ }^{2}$ ¢ | 4\%/4. | Tp play |
| 2NT | 34 | 5 card puppet | 48 | Slamtry in ${ }^{\text {ces }}$ (Qx or better) |
|  | 3 | Trans to ${ }^{*}$ | 4* | Slamtry in (Qx or better) |
|  | 34 | Trans to ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 4 | Has cards to protect |
|  | 34 | minor suit Stayman | $4{ }^{4}$ | Has cards to protect |
|  | 3NT | To play | other |  |

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34/3 Slamtry natural
3ツ/34 Slamtry natural
4. Trs to $\vee$ applies after interpose and after Stayman (6/4M)

4 $\quad$ Trs to applies after interpose and after Stayman ( $6 / 4 \mathrm{M}$ )
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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4th Suit Forcing | One round $\square$ |  |  |
| NT Checkback $\square$ | Priorities 2 | $2 \checkmark$ = minimum opening |  |
| Defence to 3NT opening | $X=13+\mathrm{pts}$ |  |  |

Defence to opening Two's: Multi $2 \downarrow \times=$ takeout of $\boldsymbol{\varphi}, 2 \downarrow=$ takeout of $\downarrow$
The $X$ of the pass or correct $2 \uparrow=$ takeout or penalty
RCO style 2-s $\quad X=13+\mathrm{pts}$

Other 2-s
2NT =15-18 system on as per 2NT opening $48=$ minors weak, 4 = minors GF.

Defence to strong e $\mathrm{X}=$ majors, $1 \mathrm{NT}=$ minors, 2 is natural
Lebensohl Over NT interference $2 \mathrm{NT}=8-9 \mathrm{pts} \mathrm{Bal}$

Other uses Instead of Lebensohl $X=$ takeout of major interposed
Take out of 4 level pre-empts $4 \$ / 4 \diamond \times, 4 N T$ lower of unbid suits.
$4 \checkmark \times 4 N T$ minors $4 \perp \times 4 N T$ minors

## OTHER NOTES

 Therefore 1\$: 1\$, 4 splinter denies Ace $\vee$ and the Ace $\downarrow$.
$1 \downarrow: 1 \downarrow, 14: 2 N T=10-11$, the only time jumps by responder not forcing (4th suit available)


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| 16 | 1 | 6+hcp 4+ cards | 2NT | 10-12 hcp no major |
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|  | 19/4 | 6+hcp 4+ cards | 34 | 5+hcp 5+ cards, pre-emptive |
|  | 1NT | 6-10 hcp no major | 3 | splinter |
|  | 20 | Inverted 10+ 5(4) | 34 | splinter |
|  | 2 | Strong | 34 | splinter |
|  | $2{ }^{2}$ | Strong | 3NT | 13-15 hcp no major |
|  | 2. | Strong | 4 bids | 4*,4 RKC 4V4\$ to play |
| 1 | 17/4 | 6+hcp 4+ cards | 3 | Strong |
|  | 1NT | 6-10 hcp no major | 3 | 5+hcp 5+ cards, pre-emptive |
|  | 26 | nat g-f unless rebid | 34 | splinter |
|  | 2 | Inverted 10+5(4) | 34 | splinter |
|  | 27 | Strong | 3NT | 13-15 hcp no major |
|  | 2. | Strong | 4 | RKC |
|  | 2NT | 10-12 hcp no major | 4 Other | 43 RKC 4v, 4¢ to play |


| 1\%/4 | 1 NT | 5-11 forcing | 3 | Strong |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 20 | nat g-f unless rebid | 3 | Strong |
|  | 2* | nat g-f unless rebid | 3\%/4. | limit raise 4 cards, 10-12 hcp |
|  | 29/4 | 3card support 6-9 hcp | 3NT | $5+$ cards some defence |
|  | 2NT | Jacoby | 49/5 | splinter ind 4Vover 14 |
| 20 | 2 | negative | 2V/4 | $2 \vee$ bal positive; 2 NT $\uparrow$ positive |
|  | other | 2t, 3*, 3 all positive |  |  |
| 2 | 2 | pass or correct | 34/4 | natural n-f |
|  | 24 | pass or correct | 3*/4. | pass or correct |
|  | 2NT | invitational inquiry | 3NT | to play |
| 2\%14 | 2NT | invitational inquiry | 3NT | to play |
|  | 31/ | pass or correct | 49/4 | pass or correct |
|  | 3\%/4. | pass or correct | $4 Y /$ | pass or correct |
| 2NT | 3 | pass or correct | 4 | pass or correct |
|  | 3) | invitational inquiry | 4 | pass or correct |
|  | 34 | pass or correct | 4 | pass or correct |
|  | 3 | pass or correct | 4. | pass or correct |
|  | 3NT | to play | other |  |

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| 3 | 3ood suit, slam interest |
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| $3 / 3$ | good suit, slam interest |
| 4 | Minorwood |
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| 4 | to play |
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Defence to $3 N T$ opening $\quad X=$ penalty, $4 C=T / O$ pref $H, 4 D$ T/O pref $S$
Defence to opening Two's: Multi $2 \checkmark x=T / O$ of $S$, pass then $X=S$

| RCO style 2-s | $X=$ T/O suit-oriented contract (i.e. some shortage) |
| :---: | :---: |
| Other 2-s | $X=\mathrm{T} / \mathrm{O}$ |
| Defence to strong | Hamilton |
| Lebensohl | Over NT interferenced |
| Other uses after $X$ of weak 2s |  |
| Take out of 4 level pre-empts | empts 4i/4 $\times$ |
| $4 \checkmark \times$ | $X$ 4¢ 4NT |

## OTHER NOTES

Over opp's unusual 2NT for minors after our 1M opening, $3 \boldsymbol{*}=\boldsymbol{\downarrow}, 3=\boldsymbol{s}$ A raise of partner or bidding the other major is just competitive
Over opp's $2 N$ T opening for minors , $3 \boldsymbol{k}=$ T/O preferring $\vee, 3=$ T/O preferring
Over opp's multi $2 \downarrow$ immediate Leaping Michaels $=\uparrow+$ the minor; delayed $=+$ the minor

