

BEGINNERS' LESSONS

Welcome



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Module 6

Opener's Rebids with Balanced Hands



Basic Rules for Responder's bids

Last week we learnt about Responder's bids:

- 1. Support** partner's suit
- 2. Bid a new suit**
- 3. Bid 1NT** if options 1 or 2 are not possible

You have 3 choices



New Suit Bids by Responder

- 1-level bid = 6+ HCP
- 2-level bid = 10+ HCP

(Don't jump to the 2-level if you can bid at the 1-level)

These bids are unlimited
they are **FORCING**
Opener **MUST** bid again



Basic Rules for Opener's Rebid

- Agree partner's suit if you have a fit
- Bid NoTrumps if no other option available
- Bid another suit (if you can)
- Bid your suit again (with extra length)

AT THE SAME TIME

- Describe the quality of your hand
MINIMUM, NEARLY GAME or GAME



What type of Opening hand have you got?

As in the three levels of the Bridge House:

18 – 19	GAME
16 - 17	Nearly Game
12 - 15	Minimum



Supporting Responder's Suit

- **MINIMUM** (12-15) ... raise a level
- **INVITATIONAL** (16-17) ... jump a level
- **GAME** (18-19) ... bid game

MUST HAVE A FIT
4+ support



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open 1♥ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

You have a fit (14 HCP)

MINIMUM HAND – Bid 2♠



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open 1♦ with this hand



Partner bids 1♥

You have a fit, 16 HCP

NEARLY GAME (INVITATIONAL) – Bid 3♥



Opener's Rebid – SUPPORT PARTNER

You open 1♣ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

You have a fit, 19 HCP

GAME – Bid 4♠



Opener's NOTRUMP Rebid

- *If you have 12-14 balanced, you must open 1NT (earlier lesson).*
- *Stronger balanced hands you show by opening 1 of a suit and then rebidding as follows:*
- **LOWEST NT LEVEL = 15 – 17 HCP**
- **JUMP IN NT = 18 – 19 HCP**
(forcing to game)

Shows a balanced hand



Opener's NOTRUMP Rebid

You open 1♣ with this hand



Partner bids 1♠

You have a balanced hand with no fit, 16HCP

LOWEST NT LEVEL - Bid 1NT



Opener's NOTRUMP Rebid

You open 1♦ with this hand



Partner bids 2♣

You have a balanced hand with no fit, 16 HCP

LOWEST NT LEVEL - Bid 2NT



Opener's NOTRUMP Rebid

You open 1♦ with this hand



Partner bids 1♥

You have a balanced hand with no fit, 18HCP

JUMP IN NT - Bid 2NT



Opener's NOTRUMP Rebid

You open 1♦ with this hand



Partner bids 2♣

You have a balanced hand with no fit, 18 HCP

JUMP IN NT - Bid 3NT



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- *Opener rebids in NT - shows a stronger balanced hand:*
 - *15-17 (nonjump NT) or*
 - *18-19 if they rebid a jump in NT.*
- *Responder opposite this rebid is in a similar situation to responding to a 1NT opening.*
- *Responder takes charge of the auction*
- *Often they decide the final contract*



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder	
♠ QJ95		♠ 108	
♥ AQ8		♥ KJ52	
♦ A954		♦ K102	
♣ K8		♣ QJ97	
1♦	–	1♥	
1NT	–	3NT	



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

<i>Opener</i>	<i>Responder</i>
♠ Q83	♠ AK7654
♥ AK85	♥ 96
♦ KJ5	♦ Q32
♣ Q87	♣ J4

1♥	–	1♠
1NT	–	4♠



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

<i>Opener</i>		<i>Responder</i>	
♠ K987		♠ A1043	
♥ AQ		♥ 986	
♦ KJ5		♦ A8	
♣ K875		♣ Q932	
1♣	—	1♠	
3♠	—	4♠	

Remember to raise when a Major suit fit is found.



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder	
♠ A52		♠ KQJ3	
♥ KQ54		♥ J32	
♦ A95		♦ 108	
♣ K54		♣ 9832	
1♥	—	1♠	
1NT	—	all pass	



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder
♠ Q10		♠ J97654
♥ AK542		♥ 76
♦ KJ5		♦ Q3
♣ Q87		♣ K42
1♥	–	1♠
1NT	–	2♠

all pass

*As opposite
1NT opening,
2♠ here is a
sign-off*



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder
♠ A5		♠ KQJ93
♥ KQ54		♥ J32
♦ A975		♦ 108
♣ K52		♣ A83
1♥	—	1♠
1NT	—	3♠
3NT	—	all pass

*Responder
is looking for
3-card ♠
support.*



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder
♠ A5		♠ KQ103
♥ K85		♥ 10972
♦ AQ1054		♦ J9
♣ A92		♣ Q106
1♦	—	1♥
1NT	—	2NT
3NT	—	all pass

Responder's 2NT is an invitational bid.

Opener with a maximum in the range they've shown (15-17) accepts the invite



Responder's Rebid after Opener rebids NT

- Examples:*

Opener		Responder
♠ A5		♠ KQJ3
♥ AQ1054		♥ J92
♦ A95		♦ 3
♣ A5		♣ 98432
1♥	—	1♠
2NT	—	3♥
4♥	—	all pass

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