

1 What would your opening bid be with these hands?

Α	♠ AKT♥ T987♦ AK765♠ Q	1 Why?Open longest suit first
В	♠ Q652♥ AKJ98♦ 762♣ T	Pass Why? Insufficient HCP
С	♠ Q6532♥ AKQ76♦ 7♣ KQ	1 ♣ Why? Higher of 2 five card suits
D	♠ Q652♥ KQ98♦ AK2♣ KQ	1♥ Why? Lower of 2 four card suits of the same rank (in this case 2 major suits)
E	♠ KQ52♥ 97♦ AKJ8♣ QJ4	1& Why? With 2 four card suits - one major and one minor, open with the major suit first

2 Your partner opens 1. What do you respond with these hands?

Α 2 **♠** Q652 Why? ♥ J87 You have 4 card support for partner's suit and **♦ 762** ♣ QJ4 6 HCP. You are just strong enough to raise to the 2 level. В **★** AQ62 4 **♥** AK8 Why? You have 15 HCP and 4 card support for **♦ 762** ♣ Q94 partner's suit. Partner has 12 + HCP. 12 + 15 = 27 HCP You have enough strength for game so bid it C **♠** 63 1NT Why? ♥ A76 No support for partner but 7 HCP so ♦ KT97 must bid! No other bid available. **♣** T94 D Pass **♦** 98763 Why? **♥** 95 5 cards in partner's suit but only 4 HCP. ♦ A86 **♣** T94 You need 6+ to bid.

What is Opener's rebid in the following examples after partner makes these limit bid responses? Why?

Α	A Opener		В	Opener (C	Opener ♠ A J 6 2	
				♠ K83	♦ K83			
				♥QJT8	8 6		♥ A Q 6 3	3
				◆ A Q T ♣ A 7			♦QJ2	
							♣ JT32	
	1♥	2♥		1♥	3♥		1♥	1NT
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Α

Pass. Opener has 15 HCP. Responder's minimum raise shows 4 card support but only 6-9 HCP. Even if partner has the maximum for his bid there is not enough for game i.e. 15+9=24

В

4♥. Opener has 16 HCP and a good 5 card hearts suit. Responder's jump raise shows 4 card support and 10-12 HCP. Even if partner is minimum for his bid you have enough for game so bid it! (16+10=26)

C

Pass. Opener has 15 HCP. Responder's 1NT bid denies 4 cards in hearts and shows 6-9 HCP. Opener has only 4 cards in hearts and a balanced hand so is happy to play in NT but the partnership has not enough for game even if responder is maximum for his bid (15 + 9 = 24)

4 What would be your opening lead against 4 Spades holding the following?

Α	♠ A	♥ A
	♥ AK8	Why?
	♦ T987	Top of touching honours.
	4 87643	

В	♠ 9765	♥ 9
	♥ 9	Why?
	♦ A87	Singleton. You are hoping you can
	* 87643	get a ruff.
С	♠ A	♥ Q
	♥ QJ976	Why?
	♦ T	Top of touching honours – no point
	* 876432	leading singleton Diamond – you don't want a ruff. Your Ace Spades is always making.

- What is your score in the following situations? ? Assume your side is non vulnerable in all cases.
 - A You are in 3♠ and you make 3 (taking 9 tricks)
- 140. You get 30 for each major suit trick made plus 50 for the part score bid and made.
 - B You are in 3♠ and you make 4 (taking 10 tricks)
- 170. You get 30 for each major suit trick made plus 50 for the part score bid and made.
 - C You are in 4 Diamonds and you make 4 (taking 10 tricks)
- 130. You get 20 for each minor suit trick made plus 50 for the part score bid and made. Did you remember that in a minor suit you need to bid and make 5 to score the game because a minor suit trick is only worth 20?
 - D You are in 4 Hearts and you make 4 (taking 10 tricks) Your side is non-vulnerable.
- 420. You get 30 for each major trick made $(4 \times 30) = 120$ plus a game bonus score non vulnerable of 300 gives a total of 420.
 - E What is your score in Question D above if your side was vulnerable?
- 620. You get the same trick score of 4x30 = 120 but your game bonus vulnerable is 500!