

## Responder's Rebid

This fourth bid in the auction will not always be necessary, but it is important to get it right!

When partner raises your suit you simply have to decide whether to bid on or not

North South

1 

 1 

2 

You can Pass, bid 4 

or make

You can Pass, bid 4 or make a *game try* (invitation to bid game if maximum or have an honour in second suit)

 North
 South

 1 ◆
 1 ▼

 3 ▼
 ?

Here you Pass with a minimum response, and bid on otherwise

 North
 South

 1♠
 2♠

 3♠
 ?

When the agreed suit is a minor consider bidding 3NT.

When partner rebids in 1NT you have the option of passing, raising, or trying to improve the contract

1♥ 1♠ 1NT ? **♦**KJ87 **♥**53

◆Q753

♣763
Pass with a minimum balanced hand

♠KJ74

**♥**K6

♦Q1074

**.**986

<u>2NT</u>, an invitational raise, with 8-9HCP balanced

**♦**KO84

**v**84

**♦** KQ75

**♣**Q65

<u>3NT</u> with 10+HCP and a balanced hand

1♥ 1♠ 1NT ? ♠KQJ843

**♥**3 **♦**753

**.**763

<u>2♠</u> improving the part score into a long suit

♠KQJ754

**v**6

♦Q104

**.**J86

<u>3♠</u> inviting game in your 6-card suit

**♦**AKQ1084

**v**4

♦ QJ75

**♣**J5

4 Game values, a 6-card suit in an unbalanced hand

1♥ 1♠ 1NT ? **♦**KJ743

**v**3

◆Q10753

**.**73

2 ◆ looking for a better place to play

**▲** KQ754

**y** 6

♦ KQ1043

**♣** J6

**3** ◆ offering a choice of game contracts

▲ AK10842

♥ Q74

**♦** 5

**4** 652

<u>3♥</u> in case partner has 5 hearts

**NB** When you bid a new suit over a 1NT rebid you promise 5 cards in your first suit.

You hope partner has 3-card spade support and can give preference just as you do when he bids a new suit.



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## When partner bids a new suit

1 **1 ♦** 2 **♦** ?

**♦**KJ87

**♥**K64

**♦**53

**♣**J763

2▼ - a weak preference for the 5card heart suit **♦**A1074

**♥**KJ6

**♦** Q4

**4**10986

<u>3♥</u> a delayed <u>limit raise</u> with 3-card support

<u>★K864</u>

**v**84

♦ AJ75

**♣**K65

<u>3◆</u> You need 4-card support to raise a new suit

1 **v** 1 **∧** 2 **♦** ?

**♦** K10542

**♥** K4

**♦** J53

**♣** J63

**2** False preference West may have 6 ⋅ s, or bid 2 ⋅ with 3 spades

**▲** A1074

**y** J6

**♦** J94

**♣** KQ106

**2NT** with 11-12HCP, no 8-card fit and a good stopper in the unbid suit.

**▲** KJ10842

**v** 8

◆ J75

**4** J65

2 ▲ showing a 6-card suit in a weak hand. West will pass even with 0 ♠s.

1 ◆ 1 **♦** 2 ♥ ?

**♦** Q10542

**♥** K94

J53♣ 62

<u>3</u> • Preference. After partner's *reverse* you must bid again

**♦** KJ104

**♥** J63

**•** 94

**♣** KJ106

**<u>2NT.</u>** No particular fit stoppers in the unbid suit.

**▲** A1082

**v** Q98

**♦** J5

♣ J832

<u>3 ◆ false preference</u>. You need 4-card support to raise hearts.

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