



## Lesson 38 Examples

### Opener's rebid when partner makes a weak response of 1NT to one of a suit

♠AQJ853	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠106 ♥Q42 ♦QJ74 ♣K743
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♠		1NT			
2♠		Pass			

Since partner may be very short in spades West need **6+cards** to rebid 2♠. With 5-3-3-2 just pass.

♠8	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠K54 ♥764 ♦952 ♣KQ62
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♦		1NT			
2♣		Pass			

East has *denied* a biddable major West bids his second, lower-ranking Suit. This means he has 5+cards in his first suit, and East can *give preference* to 2♦ without 4 clubs

♠KQ7	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠A82 ♥86 ♦Q963 ♣9542
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♥		1NT			
2NT		Pass			

With 18HCP in a balanced hand West *invites* game in NT East is minimum, and passes

♠KJ86	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠Q72 ♥J4 ♦Q104 ♣K9743
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♥		1NT			
Pass					

East has *denied* 4 spades, so there is no point in bidding your second suit. Just pass.

♠AJ1096	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠K5 ♥9764 ♦Q1054 ♣J62
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♠		1NT			
3♥		4♥			
Pass					

With a very strong opening bid West can jump in a new suit. With **4-card support** East raises to game.

♠AK962	<table style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠85 ♥K1062 ♦A832 ♣Q73
N					
W E					
S					
<b>West</b>		<b>East</b>			
1♠		1NT			
2♥		3♥			
4♥		Pass			

West is unbalanced, and rebids a **lower-ranking 4-card suit**. East has 4-card support, and is worth a raise (his hand is *limited* by the initial 1NT response – he cannot have more than 9HCP). West, with extra values, bids on to 4♥.



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### 2NT as a limit response to one of a suit:

1) ♠Q954  
♥J73  
♦Q1062  
♣AQ

2) ♠J76  
♥K1085  
♦A2  
♣K943

3) ♠92  
♥KQ10  
♦QJ86  
♣K754

If partner opens 1♥ bid 1♠ *not* 2NT in case partner has 4 spades too.

When partner opens 1♠ respond 2♣, in case partner has 5 spades and 4 hearts. (NB: to respond 2♥ over 1♠ we must have 5 hearts.)

Partner opens 1♠. An 8-card fit in a major is unlikely, so we bid 2NT.

4) ♠54  
♥KQ83  
♦AJ2  
♣10976

5) ♠KJ4  
♥72  
♦Q1065  
♣A1093

6) ♠32  
♥AQ74  
♦A1095  
♣J106

Partner opens 1♥. We bid 3♥ with 4-card support

Partner opens 1♥. This is a standard 2NT response, *denying 4 spades*

Partner opens 1♥. This is worth 4♥ because of the distribution point for the doubleton spade

7) ♠KQ54  
♥A6  
♦10972  
♣Q83

8) ♠Q108  
♥K94  
♦J1075  
♣KQ2

9) ♠KJ7  
♥KQ1093  
♦Q6  
♣974

If partner opens 1NT we bid 2♣, Stayman, in case partner has 4 spades too.

This time we respond 2NT, balanced *with no 4-card major*

There may be an 8-card fit in hearts if partner has three, so we bid 2♦, transfer, then 2NT over partner's 2♥ response.



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### Limit Responses to 1♣ or 1♦

♠J8 ♥KQ72 ♦K10972 ♣A3	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠954 ♥A1063 ♦AQJ8 ♣72
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♦		1♥			
2♥		4♥			

♠A1072 ♥KJ5 ♦4 ♣KQ986	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠QJ93 ♥8 ♦K1062 ♣A754
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♣		1♦			
1♠		4♠			

♠KQ65 ♥Q5 ♦KQ762 ♣J93	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠94 ♥76 ♦A10953 ♣AQ82
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♦		3♦			
Pass					

If East makes a **limit raise** to 3♦ the heart fit will be lost. When West raises hearts East adds a distribution point for the doubleton club

Just in case there is a better fit East bids his suits upwards. This gives West the chance to bid his 4-card spade suit and the major suit game is reached.

This is a standard **limit raise** with little chance of missing a major suit fit.

♠6 ♥KJ32 ♦107 ♣AKJ854	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠Q54 ♥A106 ♦AJ84 ♣972
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♣		2NT			
3♣		Pass			

♠A1072 ♥K5 ♦A4 ♣KQ986	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠Q93 ♥Q108 ♦K1032 ♣A74
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♣		2NT			
3NT		Pass			

♠AJ3 ♥KQ75 ♦7 ♣KQ983	<table border="1"> <tr><td>N</td></tr> <tr><td>W E</td></tr> <tr><td>S</td></tr> </table>	N	W E	S	♠KQ75 ♥J1086 ♦953 ♣A2
N					
W E					
S					
<i>West</i>		<i>East</i>			
1♣		1♥			
3♥		4♥			

**West has a** minimum opening bid, but his hand is **unbalanced**, unsuitable for play in NT. Partner has **denied** a 4-card major so there is no point in bidding hearts

**West knows there cannot be an** 8-card spade fit, so just raises to the obvious game – 3NT.

**When East bids your second** suit you raise to two with a minimum opener, jump to three with extra values. Raising partner is always a **limit bid**