



Lesson 14 Examples

A hand with two messages to send

- ♠ AQJ32 partner opens 1NT. You have 11 HCP, enough to invite game.
- ♥ A75 but if you bid 2NT and partner raises to 3NT with nothing in a minor you may go down
- ♦ 987 It might be better to play in 4♠ if partner has 3-card support for spades.
- ♣ 42 How can you find out whether you have an 8-card spade fit?

Examples of Transfer Bidding

| Opener | | Responder |
|--------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ K3 | N W E S | ♠ AQ9752 |
| ♥ A982 | | ♥ J53 |
| ♦ K104 | | ♦ A52 |
| ♣ A762 | | ♣ 3 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | 3♠ |
| 4♠ | | Pass |

| Opener | | Responder |
|--------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ AJ76 | N W E S | ♠ 10 |
| ♥ K2 | | ♥ AJ10943 |
| ♦ QJ4 | | ♦ A83 |
| ♣ K982 | | ♣ A75 |
| 1NT | | 2♦ |
| 2♥ | | 4♥ |
| Pass | | |

| Opener | | Responder |
|--------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ A73 | N W E S | ♠ KQ1065 |
| ♥ 102 | | ♥ 43 |
| ♦ AQJ4 | | ♦ K93 |
| ♣ J972 | | ♣ AQ5 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | 3NT |

Without transfers responder must underbid with 2♥ or overbid with 4♠. By making a transfer then bidding 3♠ he shows *the values to invite game with a 6-card spade suit*.

With enough for game responder could simply bid 4♥. Or he can *transfer to hearts*, then 'raise' to game and let partner play it to conceal opener's strengths.

Responder transfers, then bids 3NT to show 13+HCP with a 5-card spade suit. With so little in hearts opener chooses game in the 5-3 fit.

How Transfer Bids give you Two Bids for the Price of One

| Opener | | Responder |
|---------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ K54 | N W E S | ♠ AQJ32 |
| ♥ 83 | | ♥ K75 |
| ♦ AJ104 | | ♦ Q87 |
| ♣ AQ96 | | ♣ 42 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | 2NT |
| 4♠ | | Pass |

| Opener | | Responder |
|---------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ 106 | N W E S | ♠ AQJ32 |
| ♥ AJ2 | | ♥ K75 |
| ♦ AJ72 | | ♦ Q85 |
| ♣ Q1085 | | ♣ 42 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | 2NT |
| Pass | | |

| Opener | | Responder |
|---------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ 109 | N W E S | ♠ AQJ32 |
| ♥ QJ103 | | ♥ K75 |
| ♦ AJ3 | | ♦ Q87 |
| ♣ AQ97 | | ♣ 42 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | 2NT |
| 3NT | | Pass |

With 5 spades East bids 2♥, requesting partner to bid 2♠.

Over 2♠ he bids 2NT to show the values to invite game, thus showing *both* 11-12 points *and* 5 spades

West is maximum with 3 spades

West is minimum with 2 spades

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He accepts the invitation, bids 4♠

He passes 2NT.

He bids 3NT.

Transfers as a weak takeout

| Opener | | Responder |
|--------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ K83 | N W E S | ♠ QJ762 |
| ♥ AQ82 | | ♥ KJ3 |
| ♦ 104 | | ♦ 9652 |
| ♣ A762 | | ♣ 8 |
| 1NT | | 2♥ |
| 2♠ | | Pass |

Responder has only 7HCP, this is a part-score hand. The club holding suggests the best part-score is 2♠.

| Opener | | Responder |
|--------|------------------|-----------|
| ♠ AQ62 | N W E S | ♠ 54 |
| ♥ K4 | | ♥ QJ10653 |
| ♦ Q854 | | ♦ 63 |
| ♣ K82 | | ♣ 754 |
| 1NT | | 2♦ |
| 2♥ | | Pass |

Responder has only 4HCP, a very weak hand. He wants to make a weak takeout to 2♥.