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# **BRIDGE IN A DAY**

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## **Part 2 – Bidding**

### **For New & Returning Players**

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## REVIEW

Who are the partnerships? What Directions? \_\_\_\_\_

What is a contract? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your priority of contracts? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the concept of GAME? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the two things you'd like to tell partner? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What are HCP? \_\_\_\_\_



## EXERCISE 1

You are the dealer. On the following hands would you open the bidding? If yes, what would you open?

HAND	HCP	PRIORITY/LENGTH	BID
♠ AQ975 ♥ K54 ♦ Q2 ♣ K75			
♠ KJ43 ♥ Q109 ♦ J542 ♣ KJ			
♠ 10 ♥ KQ542 ♦ AJ3 ♣ AJ42			
♠ KQJ5 ♥ 7 ♦ 7532 ♣ AK98			
♠ KQJ ♥ AJ ♦ Q532 ♣ KJ98			
♠ 10743 ♥ K85 ♦ A54 ♣ AK4			



## EXERCISE 2

### Responding to a Minor

Your partner opened 1♣, which promises \_\_\_\_\_

What would you bid?

HAND	HCP	BID	WHY
♠ QJ75 ♥ 9543 ♦ K7 ♣ 932			
♠ 963 ♥ K ♦ Q743 ♣ AQ743			

Your partner opened 1♦, which promises \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What would you bid?

HAND	HCP	BID	WHY
♠ A65 ♥ J93 ♦ AQ74 ♣ J32			
♠ AKJ94 ♥ QJ943 ♦ 5 ♣ 73			



## EXERCISE 4

### Responding to a Major

1. Your partner opened 1♥, which promises \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What would you bid?

HAND	HCP	FIT	BID	WHY
♠ QJ75 ♥ 9543 ♦ K7 ♣ 932				
♠ 963 ♥ K ♦ Q743 ♣ AQ743				

Your partner opened 1♠, which promises \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What would you bid?

HAND	HCP	FIT	BID	WHY
♠ A65 ♥ J93 ♦ A74 ♣ 8532				
♠ AKJ9 ♥ QJ943 ♦ 54 ♣ 73				





**EXERCISE 6**  
**Opening 1NT**  
**Would you open Notrump?**



**Circle the hands you would open 1NT**

1. ♠A42 ♥K32 ♦AK42 ♣QJ9
2. ♠K842 ♥Q ♦AJ42 ♣AQ52
3. ♠42 ♥AJ3 ♦AKJ42 ♣K92
4. ♠J543 ♥KJ ♦A32 ♣AQ107
5. ♠A6 ♥KJ4 ♦KQ873 ♣A75
6. ♠AQ43 ♥AJ82 ♦KQJ75
7. ♠AK52 ♥10 ♦KQ93 ♣KJ92
8. ♠KQ32 ♥K2 ♦QJ7 ♣KJ84



## EXERCISE 7

### Responding to Notrump



Your Partner has opened 1NT.  
What would you bid?

HAND	HCP	BALANCED	BID
♠ QJ75 ♥ 9543 ♦ K5 ♣ 932			
♠ 963 ♥ A5 ♦ Q74 ♣ 07432			
♠ A65 ♥ J93 ♦ AQ74 ♣ J32			
♠ KJ94 ♥ QJ94 ♦ 52 ♣ 753			



## WHAT NEXT?

- Go to [bridgewithpatty.com](http://bridgewithpatty.com) → classes → minibridge → BBO their online practice option gives you lots of practice in choosing your contract and playing the hands!
- Take the next livestream in the series, Notrump in A Day, and learn the bidding conversation when responding to a Notrump opening bid!
- Visit Patty's YouTube channel at Bridge with Patty Tucker and view the playlist. Check out the New to Bridge videos.
- Try Patty's video learning opportunities on Vimeo. Look for
  - [Vimeo.com/ondemand/bridgechats](https://vimeo.com/ondemand/bridgechats)
  - [Vimeo.com/ondemand/workshopswithpatty](https://vimeo.com/ondemand/workshopswithpatty)
- Look for Patty's books and workbooks on Amazon
- Join Patty's newsletter through her website
- Follow Patty on Instagram and join her Facebook Page
- Send Patty questions at [patty@bridgewithpatty.com](mailto:patty@bridgewithpatty.com)
- Go to the American Bridge Teachers Association home page, [www.abtahome.com](http://www.abtahome.com) , and use their 'Find a Teacher' tab to find a teacher near you!
- Go to the American Contract Bridge League and see the online lessons available from throughout the country!

[https://www.acbl.org/learn\\_page/online-lessons/](https://www.acbl.org/learn_page/online-lessons/)





## Opening the Bidding

	OPEN	HCP	LENGTH
<b>MAJORS</b>	<b>1♥</b>	12-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5+ cards in ♥</li> </ul>
	<b>1♠</b>	12-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 5+ cards in ♠</li> <li>● 5+ cards in BOTH ♥ and ♠</li> </ul>
<b>NOTRUMP</b>	<b>1NT</b>	15-17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No 5+ card major</li> <li>● No singleton or void</li> </ul>
	<b>2NT</b>	20-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No 5+ card major</li> <li>● No singleton or void</li> </ul>
	<b>3NT</b>	25-27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No 5+ card major</li> <li>● No singleton or void</li> </ul>
<b>MINORS</b>	<b>1♣</b>	12-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 3+ cards in ♣</li> <li>● 3 cards in BOTH ♦ and ♣</li> </ul>
	<b>1♦</b>	12-21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 3+ cards in ♦</li> <li>● 4 cards in BOTH ♦ and ♣</li> <li>● 5 cards in BOTH ♦ and ♣</li> </ul>
<i>NOTE: Typically open with the longest minor suit</i>			



## Responding to a Minor Opening Bid

FIRST, LOOK FOR A MAJOR FIT		
<div style="background-color: #ccc; padding: 10px; width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"> <b>4+ MAJOR</b> ↓                 </div>	<b>5♥ OR 5♠</b>  <b>4♥ AND 4♠</b>  <b>4♥ OR 4♠</b>	6+ HCP, bid at 1-level  Bid ♥  Bid that suit
NO 4+ CARD MAJOR, ARE YOU BALANCED?		
<div style="background-color: #ccc; padding: 10px; width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"> <b>BALANCED</b> ↓                 </div>	<b>6-10 HCP</b>  <b>11-12 HCP</b>  <b>13-15 HCP</b>	Bid 1NT  Bid 2NT  Bid 3NT
NOT BALANCED, FIT WITH PARTNER'S MINOR SUIT?		
<div style="background-color: #ccc; padding: 10px; width: 50px; margin: 0 auto;"> <b>FIND FIT WITH PARTNER SUIT</b> ↓                 </div>	<b>6-9 HCP</b>  <b>10-12 HCP</b>  <b>13+ HCP</b>	Raise bid at 2-level  Raise bid at 3-level  Bid new suit
NO FIT WITH PARTNER, EXPLORE OTHER MINOR		
<b>4+ ♦</b>  <b>5+ ♣</b>	<b>6+ HCP</b>  <b>10+ HCP</b>	Bid 1♦  Bid 2♣



## Responding to A Major Opening Bid

	<b>FIRST, LOOK FOR A FIT</b>	
3+ IN SUIT	6-9 HCP	2♥ OR 2♠
	10-12 HCP	3♥ AND 3♠
	13+ HCP	Bid new suit and then raise partner
	<b>NO FIT, EXPLORE OTHER MAJOR</b>	
OTHER MAJOR	4+♠ / 6+ HCP	Bid 1♠
	5+♥ / 10+ HCP	Bid 2♥
	<b>NO OTHER MAJOR, ARE YOU BALANCED?</b>	
BALANCED	6-10 HCP	Bid 1NT
	11-12 HCP	Bid 2NT
	13-15 HCP	Bid 3NT
	<b>NOT BALANCED, EXPLORE MINOR FIT</b>	
5+ MINOR SUIT	10+ HCP	Bid suit at 2-level
	<b>REGARDLESS OF BALANCE, BID 1NT WITH 6-9 HCP</b>	



## Responding to Notrump



<b>BID OPTIONS</b>		<b>High Card Points (HCP)</b>		
		<b>0-7</b>	<b>8-9</b>	<b>10-14</b>
<b>Length of Major Suit</b>	<b>&lt; 4 cards</b>	Pass	2NT	3NT
	<b>only 4 cards</b>	Pass	Stayman	Stayman
	<b>1 4 card &amp; 1 5+ card</b>	Jacoby Transfer	Stayman	Stayman
	<b>&gt; 4 cards</b>	Jacoby Transfer	Jacoby Transfer	Jacoby Transfer

