

# 2 over 1 & 1 NT forcing

## Bridge Lab

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## Agenda:






- Questions and answers
- 2/1 overview
- Opener's 2nd bid
- Responder's 2nd bid
- 1 NT Forcing by Responder
- Opener & Responder rebids

# There are only six auctions where 2/1 applies!

Definition: 2/1 is ON when the OPENING bid is 1 of a suit (usually a major) and the first bid by responder with 12+ HCP, is a new suit at the 2 level

Opening Bid	Responder bids - 2/1 Game Forcing Responses
1 ♠	2 ♣, 2 ♦, 2 ♥
1 ♥	2 ♣, 2 ♦
1 ♦	2 ♣
1 ♣	None (going to the 2 level would be a “skip or jump”)

## Responder initiates 2/1 GF with these guidelines

- Must have 12+ HCP
- Can only bypass 4 card suits going up the line if the suit being bid is longer in length
  - Opener bids 1 . As Responder, you have 4 Spades and 5 Diamonds. Bid 2 
  - Opener bids 1 . As Responder, you have 4 Diamonds and 4 + Spades, bid **1 S**. (More important to tell partner about spades.)
- If Opener bids 1 , and Responder wants to bid Hearts, must have 5+  to initiate 2/1
- Opponents have not bid other than Pass

# Responder's 1st bid - examples

What should you bid as Responder with the following hand?

Opener bids 1 ♠. You, responder - 14 HCP

♠ K 10

♥ A Q 7 6 3

♦ 9 3

♣ A J 4 2

Ans: 2 ♥ - 2/1 - You have 5 H

What if Opener bids 1 NT.      Ans: 2 ♦ - transfer to H

## Opener's 2nd bid

- Jump to 3 of your major with 16+ HCP & a 6+ card solid suit or longer (AKQJxx or AKQxxxx)
- Raise Responder's suit with 4 card support (or 3 card support if Hearts were bid by Responder)
- Rebid your opening major suit if 6+ cards in the suit
- Bid a new 4+ card suit
- Bid 3NT with 16-17 HCPs and where the above points do not fit
- Bid 2 NT which can be 12-15 or 18-21 HCPs - sometimes called the default rebid

**NOTE:** This chart is a modification of the chart used in the Feb. 28 class presentation.

# Opener's 2nd bid - examples

What should Opener rebid after Responder shows an opening hand?

Opener's hand

♠ A 7

♥ A K Q 10 9 2

♦ A 9 7 5

♣ 5

Ans: 2

♥

Bidding seq: Opener 1 ♥, Resp 2 ♣, Opener ?

Opener's hand

♠ A Q J 9 3

♥ J 8 3

♦ A 5 3

♣ J 8

Ans: 3 ♥

Bidding seq: Opener 1 ♠, Resp 2 ♥, Opener ?

Quiz time!



Opener's 2nd bid

♠ 5 4

♥ K Q 10 8 7 4

♦ A J 3

♣ K 4

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —



♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

*West*

*North*

*East*

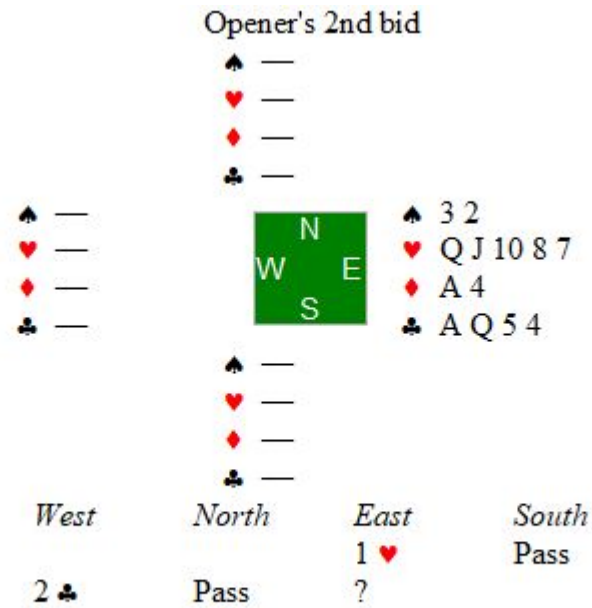
*South*

Pass

1 ♥  
?

Pass

2 ♣



3 ♣ to continue the bidding

Opener's 2nd bid

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —



♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ A K J 2  
♥ A Q 8 7 6  
♦ A 5 4  
♣ 2

*West*

*North*

*East*

*South*

Pass

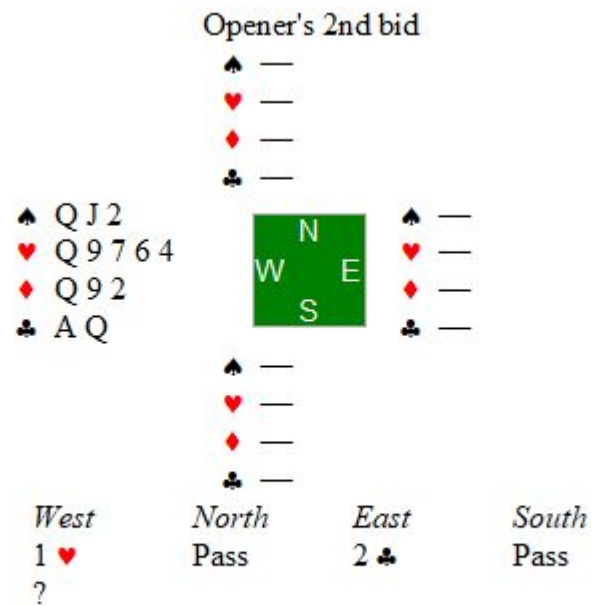
2 ♣

Pass

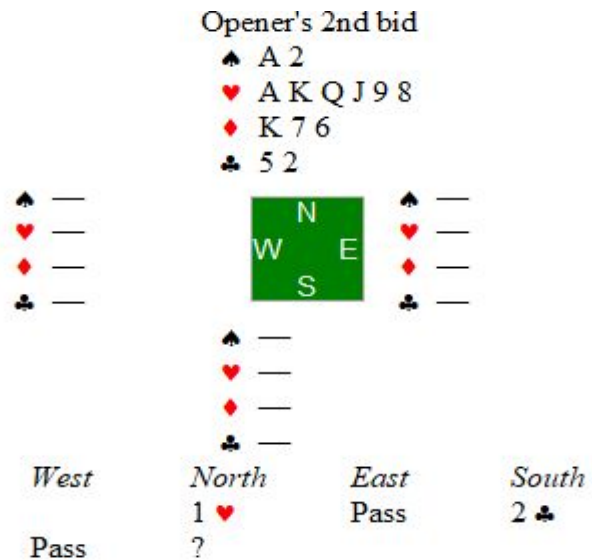
1 ♥

?

2 ♠



2 NT - shows balanced hand



3 H - shows values and solid suit

## Responder's 2nd bid

- Raise Opener's 1st suit
- Raise Opener's 2nd suit
- Rebid Responder's suit (must be 6+ cards)
- Bid NT

# Responder's 2nd bid - examples

Primary objective: confirm or deny support of Opener's bid

Responder's hand - 14 HCP

♠ A 10 4 3

♥ J

♦ K Q 8 6 5

♣ A 7 6

Ans: 2 ♠

Bidding seq: Opener-1 ♠, Resp-2 ♦, Opener's 2nd bid 2 ♥, ?

Responder's hand - 12 HCP

♠ A J 8

♥ 9 4 2

♦ A 7 6

♣ K 9 8 7

Ans: 2 ♥

Bidding seq: Opener-1 ♥, Resp-2 ♣, Opener's 2nd bid-2 ♦, ?

Quiz time!



Responder's 2nd bid

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

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♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ K J 3  
♥ A 2  
♦ K Q 10 8 7  
♣ 4 3 2

*West*

*North*

*East*

*South*

1 ♥

Pass

2 ♦

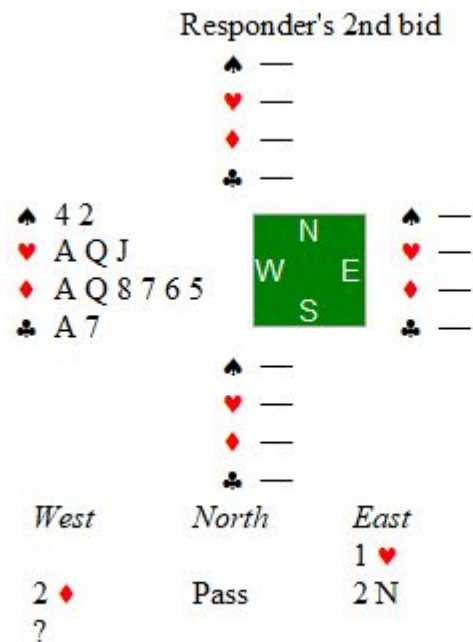
Pass

2 N

Pass

?

3 NT



Responder's 2nd bid

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♣ —

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♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

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S E

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ 4 3  
♥ A Q 2  
♦ K Q J 10 8 2  
♣ 5 2

<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
	1 ♥	Pass	2 ♦
Pass	2 N	Pass	?

# 1 NT Forcing

# What is 2/1 with 1 NT Forcing?

Responder: 6 - 9 HCP

Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of ♥	What you already know	With 2/1 & 1 NT forcing
1 ♥	6 - 9	0 - 2	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) Bid 1 NT	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) w/o 4 ♠, Bid 1 NT ( <b>forcing</b> )
1 ♥	6 - 9	3 or 4	Bid 2 ♥	Bid 2 ♥
1 ♥	7 or less	5+	4 ♥ - Preemptive jump raise	4 ♥ - Preemptive jump raise

# What is 2/1 with 1 NT Forcing?

Responder: 10 - 11 HCP

Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of ♥	What you already know	With 2/1 & 1 NT forcing
1 ♥	10-11	0 - 2	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) Bid 2 ♣/♦ with 5+ ♣/♦	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) w/o 4 ♠, Bid 1 NT ( <b>forcing</b> )
1 ♥	10-11	3	Jump to 3 ♥	Bid 1 NT ( <b>forcing</b> ) and then jump to 3 ♥ on 2nd bid
1 ♥	10-11	4+	Jump to 3 ♥	Jump to 3 ♥

# How will Opener know whether Responder's 1 NT is 6-9 or 10-11 HCP?

Responder's 2nd bid shows range and shape (3 different bids)

- Do you have **6-9 HCP** (find a place to stop)?
  - Bid 2 of Opener's Major to show 3-card support
  - Pass Opener's **second** suit with an 8-card fit
  - Bid new suit to show no fit and a **6+card suit**
- Do you have **10-11 HCP** (find a place to invite)?
  - Jump to 3 of Opener's Major with 3-card support
  - Raise Opener's 2nd suit with a known 8-card fit (5-card support in a Minor or 4-card support in a Major)
  - Bid 2NT with no fit

# Opener's rebid after Responder bids 1 NT Forcing

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  - Bid a new suit at the 2 level in a lower ranking suit
  - Rebid your major suit with 6+ cards
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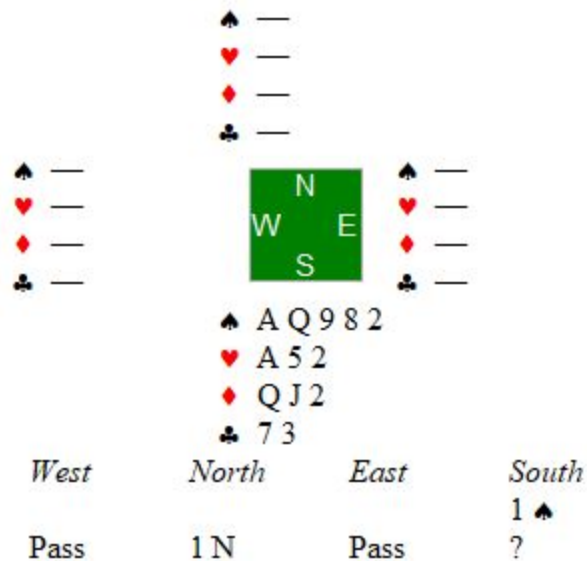
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  - Bid 2 NT with a balanced hand
  - Jump to 3 of your major with 6+ cards

- 18-21 HCP
  - Bid 3 NT with a balanced hand
  - Bid 4 of your major with 6+ cards
  - Jump shift to second suit with 4+ cards in that suit

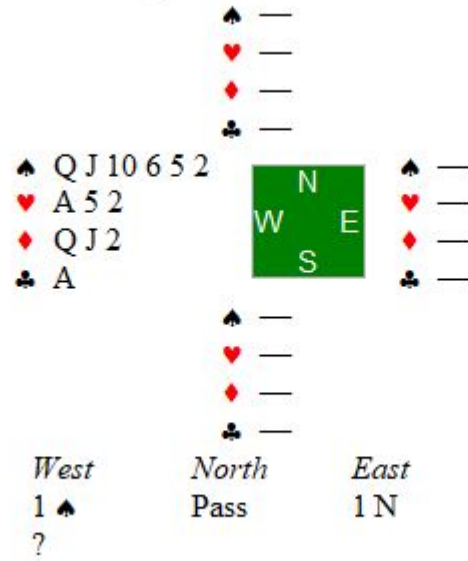


Quiz time!

Opener's 2nd bid after 1 NT



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♠ A K Q 5 2  
♥ A K Q 10 2  
♦ 10 5 2  
♣ —

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

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♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

♠ —  
♥ —  
♦ —  
♣ —

*West*

*North*

*East*

*South*

1 ♠

Pass

1 N

Pass

?

## Responder's 2nd bid after 1 NT Forcing.... shows range and shape

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♦ —	♦ —		♦ Q 5 4 2
♣ —	♣ —		♣ A K J 6 4

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♥ —			
♦ —			
♣ —			

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1 ♠	Pass	1 N	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	?	

### Responder's 2nd bid after 1 NT

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♠ A 5 2

♥ QJ982

♦ K 10 2

♣ 10 9

West

*North*

*East*

*South*

1 ♠

Pass

1N

Pass

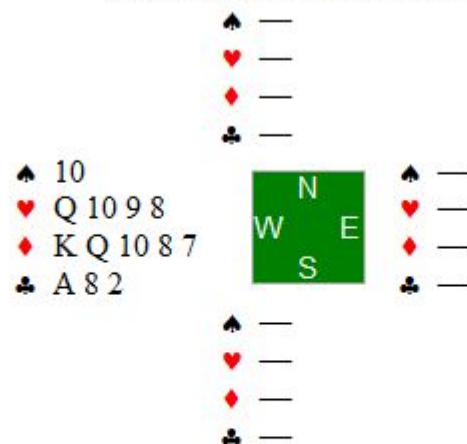
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Pass

?



Responder's 2nd bid after 1 NT



<i>West</i>	<i>North</i>	<i>East</i>	<i>South</i>
1 N	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
?		2 ♣	Pass

2 NT

# Opener bids 1 Major

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