

Bridge Workshop

Lesson # 9

2/1 - Game Forcing (GF)

1 NT Forcing

“2nd bids”

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Agenda:

- Questions and answers
- Review of responder bids after major opening
- Quiz
- **Opener's** 2nd bid after Responder bids 1 NT Forcing
- **Responder's** 2nd bid after bidding 1 NT Forcing
- Practice bidding hands with discussion

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) by the dealer or 2nd seat, and the first bid by responder with 12+ HCP, is a new suit at the 2 level lower than the opener's bid suit

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

Responding to Opener's major suit - 1 NT Forcing

Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of ♥	What is Responder's bid?
1 ♥	6 - 9	0 - 2	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) or 1 NT <u>“Forcing”</u>
1 ♥	6 - 9	3 or 4	2 ♥
1 ♥	7 or less	5+	4 ♥ - Preemptive jump raise

Responding to Opener's major suit - 1 NT Forcing

10 - 11 HCP














Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of ♥	What is Responder's bid?
1 ♥	6 - 11	0 - 2	Bid 1 ♠ (forcing - with 4+ ♠) or 1 NT Forcing
1 ♥	10 - 11	3	Bid 1 ♠ with 4+ ♠. If not, bid 1 NT Forcing
1 ♥	10 - 11	4	Bid 3 ♥ - limit raise

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

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

- If you have **6-9 HCP** (find a place to stop)?
 - Bid 2 of Opener's Major to show 2-card support
 - Pass Opener's **second** suit with an 8-card fit
 - Bid new suit to show no fit and a **6+card suit**
- If 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

Responding to Opener's 1 major suit - 2/1 with 12+ HCP

Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of 	What is Responder's bid?
1 	12 +	0 - 2	Bid 1  (forcing - with 4+ ) or bid 2  (forcing to game)
1 	12 +	3	Bid 1  (forcing - with 4+ ) or bid 2  (forcing to game)
1 	12 +	4	Bid 1  (forcing - with 4+ ) or bid 2  (forcing to game). If you know Jacoby 2 NT or Splinters, bid them.

Responding to Opener's 1 ♠ major suit - 2/1

12 + HCP

Opener's bid	Responder's HCP	# of ♥	What is Responder's bid?
1 ♠	12 +	0 - 2	Bid 2 ♣/♦ (forcing to game). If you have 5+ ♥, bid 2 ♥
1 ♠	12 +	3	Bid 2 ♣/♦ (forcing to game). If you have 5+ ♥, bid 2 ♥
1 ♠	12 +	4	Bid 2 ♣/♦ (forcing to game). If you have 5+ ♥, bid 2 ♥. If you know Jacoby 2 NT or Splinters, bid them.

Ex. Partner opens with 1  or 1 . What should you bid?


Responder's hand - 11 HCP

 K 10 9


 10 4 2

 A 10 3

 A 6 4 3

Partner opens 1 
What is your bid as
responder?

Ans: 1 NT forcing

Partner opens 1 
What is your bid as
responder?

Ans: 1 NT forcing

Partner opens with 1 or 1 . What should you bid?


Responder's hand - 10 HCP

 A 9 8 6


 A Q 5

 10 9 5 2

 6 4

Partner opens 1 .

What is your bid as responder?

Ans: 1  - Isn't this what you would normally bid?

Partner opens 1



What is your bid as responder? **Ans:** 3  (4 card limit raise)

Partner opens with 1 or 1 . What should you bid?


Responder's hand - 10 HCP


 K 7


 K 9 6 3


 9 5

 K J 6 4 2

Partner opens 1 
What is your bid as
responder?

Ans: 3 

Partner opens 1 
What is your bid as
responder?

Ans: 1 NT forcing (Why not 2 ?)

Short Quiz

Responder's bidding quiz - January 16, 2020

Opener's bid	Responder's hand	Responder's HCP	What is responder's bid?
			2/1 w 1 NT Forcing
1 ♠	♠ K 10 7 6 ♥ A 9 8 3 ♦ A 8 6 ♣ 4 2	11	
1 ♠	♠ A 6 ♥ A Q 6 3 4 ♦ Q 8 6 ♣ 10 7 4	12	
1 ♥	♠ K 8 5 ♥ J 6 ♦ Q 8 4 2 ♣ Q 10 9 3	8	
1 ♥	♠ 7 5 2 ♥ 7 ♦ 9 8 4 ♣ K Q J 10 6 5	6	
1 ♠	♠ A 7 3 ♥ A 8 3 ♦ Q J 7 3 2 ♣ 6 5	11	

What does Opener rebid (2nd bid) after Responder bids 1 NT?

- Two levels
 - 12 - 15 HCP (minimum opening)
 - 16 - 19 HCP (extra values opening)

Opener's rebid with 12 to 15 HCPs (minimum opening) after partner bids 1 NT forcing

Three (3) possible bids - assume Opener bid 1 ♠ or 1 ♥ and Responder bid 1 NT Forcing

1. 2 of Opener's Major with **6 card suit**
2. If Opener bid 1 ♠, then 2 ♥ will show 4+ hearts
3. Bid a Minor (2 ♣, 2 ♦) - Caution: Opener may only have 3 of the minor

Ex. Partner opens 1 . Responder bids 1 NT
What should Opener rebid?


Opener's hand - 15 HCP


 A 3 2

 A J 10 7 3

 8 7

 K Q J

Partner opens 1 
Responder bids 1 NT.
Opener's Rebid?

Ans: 2 

Ex. Partner opens 1♠. Responder bids 1 NT
What should Opener rebid?

Opener's hand - 15 HCP

♠ A K J 10 6 3

♥ 3

♦ K J 3

♣ 10 9 2

Partner opens 1♠

Responder bids 1 NT.







Opener's Rebid?

Ans: 2♠

Opener Rebids with 16 - 19 HCP

Five (5) possible rebids when Opener has 16-19 HCPs (assume Opener bid 1 of Major, Responder bid 1 NT)

Opener's 2nd bid (rebid)

1. Jump to 3  or 3  showing 6 cards in the suit
2. If 1  was the opening bid, 2  shows 5  and 4  (called a reverse)
3. 2 NT (would have bid 1 NT (16-17 HCP) as opener but had 5 of Major)
4. Jump to 3 NT (18-19 HCPs)
5. Jump to 3 of a second suit (at least 4 cards in the suit) and 18-19 HCPs

Ex. Partner opens 1♠. Responder bids 1 NT (Forcing)
What should Opener rebid?

Opener's hand - 17 HCP

♠ A 10 9 7 3

♥ A Q 10

♦ A Q 7

♣ J 7

Ans: 2 NT - balanced hand 16-17 HCP

Ex. Partner opens 1♥. Responder bids 1 NT
What should Opener rebid?

Opener's hand - 17 HCP

♠ A 7

♥ A K Q 10 9 2

♦ A 9 7 5

♣ 5

Ans: bid 3♥. 17 HCP. & 6 hearts. Jump to 3♥

Responder's Rebids

What are the Responder's possible 2nd bids?

Two doors/levels for Responder to rebid

1. 6 - 9 HCPs
2. 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder has 6 - 9 HCPs

- Bid 2 of Opener's major suit
- PASS - if Opener shows a 2nd suit and you have an 8 card shared suit
- Bid a new suit **BUT** you should have **6 in the suit**. This tells Opening partner that the suit is to play

Responder has 6 - 9 HCPs (looking for a safe place to place the contract)

Responder's hand - 6 HCP

♠ 3 2

♥ A J 9 7

♦ 10 8 7 2

♣ J 8 4

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	?	

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Responder has 6 - 9 HCPs (looking for a safe place to place the contract)

Responder's hand - 6 HCP

♠ 3 2

♥ A J 9 7

♦ 10 8 7 2

♣ J 8 4

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Ans: 2 ♠

Responder has 6 - 9 HCPs (looking for a safe place to place the contract)

Responder's hand - 7 HCP

♠ 5 2

♥ J 9 2

♦ K 7 4

♣ K 9 8 5 2

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	?	

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Responder has 6 - 9 HCPs (looking for a safe place to place the contract)

Responder's hand - 7 HCP

♠ 5 2

♥ J 9 2

♦ K 7 4

♣ K 9 8 5 2

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass
Pass	Pass		

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Ans: Pass

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

1. 3 of the Opener's original Major suit (Responder showing a limit raise with 3 cards, 10-11 HCP)
Example: 1 ♠ - 1 NT, 2 ♦ - 3 ♠
2. Raise Opener's 2nd suit: indicates a shared 8 card fit
Example: 1 ♥ - 1 NT, 2 ♦ - 3 ♦ (partnership has a shared 8 card fit in ♦)
3. 2 NT: Shows support for neither of Opener's suit

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ A 6 2

♥ J 6 5 4

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A Q 3

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	?	

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ A 6 2

♥ J 6 5 4

♦ 7 4 2

♣ A Q 3

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
?			

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Ans: 3 ♠

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ Q 4

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ Q J 8 5

♣ K J 5

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	?	

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ Q 4

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ Q J 8 5

♣ K J 5

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 ♥	Pass
?			

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

3 ♥

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ Q 4

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ Q J 8 5

♣ K J 5

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	?	

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

Responder has 10 - 11 HCPs

Responder's hand - 11 HCP

♠ Q 4

♥ Q 9 7 2

♦ Q J 8 5

♣ K J 5

The bidding....

Opener	Overcaller	Responder	Advancer
1 ♠	Pass	1 NT	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 NT	Pass
?			

What should Responder's 2nd bid be?

2 NT



Handout - 1 NT Cheat Sheet

1NT Forcing – Bidding Hint Sheet

Opening

1♠/1♥

12-19 HCP

Opener's 2nd bid

Show your HCP range and shape:

Do you have 12-15 HCP?

- Rebid suit with a 6-card holding
- Bid Hearts (with a 4-card Heart suit)
- Bid best minor

Do you have 16-17 HCP?

- Jump rebid your suit to show 16-17 HCP and a 6+ card suit
- bid 2NT to show a hand that could open 1NT but has a 5-card Major

if you cannot bid these 2 bids – follow 12-15 guidelines

Do you have 18-19 HCP?

- Bid 3NT to show an 18-19 HCP balanced hand
- Jump in a new suit to show an unbalanced hand with 18-19 HCP

Responding

1NT

6-11 HCP

Assumes you cannot make ANY of these bids:

1. 1♥ > 2♥ (Simple raise with 6-9 HCP and 3-4 card support)
2. 1♥ > 3♥ (4-card limit raise with 10-11 HCP and 4 card support)
3. 1♥ > 1♠ (showing a 4-card Spade suit after partner opens 1♥)

Responder's 2nd Bid (assuming Opener didn't show extra values)

Show your HCP range and shape:

Do you have 6-9 HCP (*find a place to stop*)?

- Pass Opener's second suit with an 8-card fit
- Bid 2 of Opener's Major to show 2-card support
- 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

Bid and Discuss Hands