

Bray Harbour Bridge Club Wine Bidding Quiz Answers

1. **Bid 3NT.** Partner has promised 13-15 points and a quality diamond suit by bidding at the 2 level at this vulnerability. You are therefore strong enough to bid 3NT.
2. **Pass.** You have no 5 card suit to bid and 2NT would be invitational showing 10-11 points.
3. **Bid 2H.** Being minor suited the most likely game is 3NT. Therefore bid 2H's to ask partner have they a Heart stopper.
4. **Bid 2NT.** Again partner has promised 13 -15 points and you have a heart stopper and 11 points. If partner has only 13 points you probably don't have enough for game but if they have anything extra then they can bid 3NT.
5. **Bid 2 NT.** This is the same point count and rationale as question 4.
6. **Bid 1S.** A simple, non-vulnerable overcall at the 1 level shows 8-15 HCP plus a suit quality of 7+.
7. **Double.** This hand has only 11 HCP but you can add 2 points for the singleton in the suit opened.
8. **Bid 1NT.** This shows 15-17 points and 1 or more stoppers in hearts.
9. **PASS.** Despite having 13 points you have no bid. You have no 5 card suit and you cannot double with 4 Hearts.
10. **Pass.** Better to pass with this hand but double would be acceptable if you are not promising partner 4 spades when you double. Very borderline for a double though!
11. **Bid 3S.** This shows 20-23 points and 5+ spades.
12. **Pass.** When you double with less than 16 points you must pass a minimum response from partner. They may have no points!
13. **Pass.** As with question 12 you must pass. Bidding 2D here would show 16-19 points!
14. **Bid 3NT.** This shows 24+ points (adding 1 for the good 5 card suit), a balanced hand and at least 1 stopper in the suit opened.
15. **Bid 2D.** This shows 16-19 points and at least 5 diamonds.
16. **Bid 3NT.** This is known as the gambling 3NT and says partner I have a solid 7 card minor suit so if you have the other suits stopped then pass otherwise bid 4C and I'll pass or correct to 4D.
17. **Bid 3S.** This promises 7 spades and 5-9 points and no outside Ace.
18. **Bid 1S.** You only have 10HCP but you have 2 five cards suits and 5 quick tricks in hearts so this more than meets the criteria for both rule of 20 and rule of 22. With 5 spades and 5 hearts you must bid 1S first despite the inferior suit quality
19. **Pass.** You have the main attributes for a pre-emptive opening – 5-9 points and a 7 card suit. However the quality of your suit is far too poor to consider opening when you are vulnerable. Also most of your points should be in the suit you are bidding and here they are not!
20. **Bid 1H.** You have 10HCP plus 11 cards in your 2 longest suits plus a quick trick in hearts so you more than meet the criteria for both the rule of 20 and rule of 22. You are too strong to open 3H