

## Reopening the bidding with strong balanced hands after your partner has passed.

Quite often you open the bidding with a strong balanced hand (15-19 pts) and there is an overcall and partner passes.

**What action should you take?**

You hold the hands below and open 1D.

**1D-1S- P- P**

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♠AQ98

♥876

♦KQ72

♣AJ

**Pass**, too weak to re-bid 1NT opposite a passed hand, beware 15-17 points is not enough, you need 18-19 points 🤔.

♠A6

♥KQ108

♦AQ75

♣J32

**Double**, it's for take-out 😊. Whatever action partner takes is fine!

♠AQ6

♥KQ10

♦AQJ106

♣98

**1NT**, perfect, you have a great hand 18-19 points and a double spade stop 😊.

♠63

♥AKJ3

♦KQJ9

♣A65

**Double**, takeout 18 pts but no spade stop, no other option 😊.

Bidding in the re-opening seat playing a weak No-trump system is important because we won't have a weak NT hand but are often strong balanced when the situation comes up 😊.