


OTHER OPENING BIDS				
	HCP	See note	Min length	SPECIAL RESPONSES
1♣	11		4	2NT = 16+ no 5 card suit then bid suits to fit
1♦				As above
1♥		4		2NT = Jacoby *3 Gazilli *4
1♠		4		
3 bids			7	Varies with position & vulnerability
4 bids			8	As above

DEFENSIVE METHODS AFTER OPPONENTS OPEN				
OPPONENTS OPEN A NATURAL ONE OF A SUIT		CONVENTIONAL MEANING	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Simple overcall		Normally 5+		
Jump overcall		Never strong		
Cue bid		Michaels*5		
1NT	Direct: Protective:	15-18 then System on as over 1NT – tfer to opp. suit asks for two stops 11-14 as above		
2NT	Direct: Protective	5/5+ two lowest suits 19+		
OPPONENTS OPEN WITH		DEFENSIVE METHODS	SPECIAL RESPONSES	Notes
Strong 1♣		CRO (Dble, 1D, 1NT) = 2 4+ card suits, might be very weak		
Short 1♣/1♦		Dble shows opening suit; ; 2C2D = Michaels*5		
Weak 1NT		Multi-Landy*6		
Strong 1NT		As above		
Weak 2		Treat as one then Lebensohl*1 over double		
Weak 3		Double = Take-out; 3NT in second might be 14+		
4 bids		Double = Take-out to 4H		
Multi 2♦		See note*6		

SLAM CONVENTIONS		
Name	Meaning of Responses	Action over interference
Gerber	4D=0, 4H=1 etc.	DOPE
Roman Key Card Blackwood	30/41, 2 without QT, 2 with QT	DOPE

COMPETITIVE AUCTIONS		
Agreements after opening of one of a suit and overcall by opponents		
Level to which negative doubles apply	4H	
Special meaning of bids	2NT remains Jacoby*4; Fit Jumps*7 by passed hand	
Exceptions / other agreements	Fit Non Jump*8 by passed hand	
Agreements after opponents double for takeout		
Redouble 10+	New suit FIR	Jump in new suit Fit Jump*7
Jump raise	2NT	Other
Pre-emptive	Good raise to 3	
Other agreements concerning doubles and redoubles		
All other low level redoubles are always take-out Game Try Double when oppo bid & support suit immediately below ours Responsive & co-operative doubles to 3H		
OTHER CONVENTIONS		
Fourth suit game forcing (1S natural)		
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS		
1 Lebensohl Over partner's double of a weak 2 or opponents' intervention over 1NT a bid of 2NT demands 3C then a suit bid is to play if first opportunity to show suit, or invitational if it could have been shown earlier. Immediate 3 level bids are forcing. Going via 2NT shows a stop in opponents' known suit if bidding further. Cue bid shows other major. Therefore 3NT direct denies stop and other 4 card major. Double shows values for 2NT – will always have at least 2 of opponents' suit.		
*2 2NT – 4 Level 4C = Gerber; 4D/4H are transfers and mild slam tries; 4S is minor suits slam try.		
*3 Jacoby Over 1M 2NT is GF with at least four card support then 3 of another suit is shortage, 4 of another suit is a quality second suit, 3 of suit 15+ no shortage or quality second suit, 4 of suit is minimum with none of above, 3NT is 12-14, 5-4-2-2 (any 4 card suit)		
*4 Gazilli Over 1M – 1NT or 1H – 1S opener's 2C bid shows either clubs in a weak hand or ANY 16+ hand. Then 2D shows ANY 8+ hand.		

OPENING LEADS							
2 nd & 4 th							
v. suit contracts	A <u>K</u>	<u>A</u> K x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
	<u>Q</u> J x	<u>J</u> 10 x	10 x <u>x</u>	<u>10</u> 9 x	9 <u>8</u> 7 x	10 x x <u>x</u>	H x <u>x</u>
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v. NT contracts	<u>A</u> K x (<u>x</u>)	<u>A</u> <u>J</u> 10 x	<u>K</u> Q 10	<u>K</u> Q x	K <u>J</u> 10	K <u>10</u> 9	<u>Q</u> J 10
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Other agreements in leading, e.g. high level contracts, partnership suits:-							
AQ demands attitude; K demands count							
CARDING METHODS							
Signals	Primary method v suit contracts	Primary method v NT contracts					
On Partner's lead	Attitude	Attitude					
On Declarer's lead	Count	Count					
When discarding	Revolving – high card suggests suit above, low suit below						
Other carding agreements, including secondary methods (state when applicable) and exceptions to above							
McKenney when leading for ruff or when Dummy is short of suit led							
SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS (continued)							
*5 Michaels Cue bid over opponents' opening shows either both majors or major/minor over a major, 5+/5+, wide ranging. Then 3m is pass or correct, 2NT asks, now lower bids show weaker hands. (eg, 1C – 2C – 2NT now 3C is weak with equal or longer H, 3D is weak with longer S.							
*6 Multi-Landy 2C = both majors, 5/4+; 2D = single-suited major; 2M = Mm, 5/4+, 2NT = strong 2 suiter: over 2 C, 2D, 2M then 2NT is asking							
*7 Fit-Jump a jump in a new suit by a passed hand over partner's overcall or when partner's opening bid is overcalled shows support for partner (3+ for an overcall, 4+ for an opening bid) and a 5+ suit as bid; if the opening bid is a major the hand is below GF strength.							
*8 Fit non-jump a freely bid change of suit by a passed hand over partner's overcall guarantees at least 3 cards in partner's suit.							

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GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BIDDING METHODS		
ACOL – Strong NT – 3 Weak Twos		
1NT OPENINGS AND RESPONSES		
Strength	15-17	
Shape constraints	May include 6 card minor	
Responses	2♣ Puppet Stayman – asks for 4/5 card majors	
2♦	5+ Hearts	2♥ 5+ Spades
2♠	Slam interest 5 card suit ask	2NT Relay to clubs – minor suit(s) w/s
Others	3 level single suited slam try; 4C Gerber; 4 D/H transfers, mild slam try	
Action after opponents double	Rdbl – weak, any 5 card suit; suit = lower of 2 suits	
Action after other interference	Lebensohl*1	
TWO-LEVEL OPENINGS AND RESPONSES		
Meaning	Responses	Notes
2♣	Game Force or 23+ then 2D no positive; other suits 7+ pts, 5+ suit; 2NT 8+	
2♦	Weak 5-9, 6+ suit	2NT asks for high card feature; new suit FIR
2♥	As above	
2♠	As above	
2NT	20-22 then 3C = 5 card Puppet Stayman; 3D/H transfers; 3S = 5S & 4H	4 level*2
OTHER ASPECTS OF SYSTEM WHICH OPPONENTS SHOULD NOTE		

Both players of a partnership must have identically completed convention cards.
Cards must be exchanged with opponents for each round. (Word V 1.0)