

1. Open 1N or 1m?

A. ♠87 ♥KQ109 ♦AJ10 ♣KJ109	B. ♠QJ8 ♥QJ6 ♦KJ8 ♣AJ72	C. ♠43 ♥QJ10 ♦KJ4 ♣AK1092	D. ♠A5 ♥Q63 ♦J10754 ♣AKJ
1N or 1♣	1N or 1♣	1N or 1♣	1N or 1♦

2. In the auction 1♦-1♠-2♠, Invite or Pass?

A. ♠KQ72 ♥J65 ♦QJ ♣Q863	B. ♠K1094 ♥A3 ♦QJ104 ♣652	C. ♠9643 ♥Q8 ♦J75 ♣AKJ6	D. ♠Q9853 ♥54 ♦KJ7 ♣A62
Invite or Pass	Invite or Pass	Invite or Pass	Invite or Pass

1a. Open 1N

♠ - no upgrade no downgrade

♥ - Upgrades - KQ together, T9 with higher honors, honors with length

♦ - Upgrades – AJ together, T with higher honors, downgrade J

♣ - upgrades – KJ together, T9 with higher honors, honors with length, downgrade J

Shape 4432- no change

Summary 8 upgrades, 2 downgrades add at least a point

1b Likely open 1N.

♠ Upgrade QJ together, downgrade jack

♥ Upgrade QJ together, downgrade jack

♦ Upgrade KJ together, downgrade jack

♣ Upgrade AJ together, upgrade Honors with length, upgrade ace, downgrade jack

Shape 4333 – triple downgrade

Summary 6 upgrades 7 downgrades, either upgrade or downgrade depending upon mood. But probably open 1N

1c Open 1N

♠ no upgrade no downgrade

♥ Upgrade QJ together, upgrade T with higher honors, downgrade jack

♦ Upgrade KJ together, downgrade jack

♣ Upgrade AK together, upgrade T9 with higher honors, upgrade Honors with length, upgrade good 5 card suit
Shape 5332 – no upgrade, no downgrade
Summary 8 upgrades, 2 downgrades add at least a point

1d Open 1N

♠ Upgrade Ace

♥ downgrade Queen in three card suit, downgrade unsupported honor

♦ Upgrade ten with higher honor. Upgrade honors in 5 card suit, downgrade jack

♣ Upgrade AKJ together, upgrade Ace, downgrade jack, downgrade tight honors

Shape 5332 – no upgrade, no downgrade

Summary 5 upgrades, 5 downgrades no change

2a Pass

♠ Upgrade KQ together

♥ downgrade unsupported honor, downgrade jack

♦ Upgrade QJ together, upgrade honors in partner's suit, downgrade tight honors, downgrade shortness in partner's suit

♣ downgrade unsupported honor

Shape 4432 – no upgrade, no downgrade

Suit suitability – 8 HCPs in queens and jacks, 0 HCP in aces = not suitable = serious downgrade

Trump quality = good = upgrade

Summary 3 upgrades, 4 downgrades + not suit suitable = lower by 1 point.

2b Invite

♠ Upgrade T9 working with higher honors

♥ upgrade ace

♦ Upgrade QJ together, Upgrade ten with higher honors, upgrade honors in partner's suit, upgrade honors in length, upgrade length in partner's suit

♣ no upgrade no downgrade

Shape 4432 – no upgrade, no downgrade

Suit suitability – 3 HCPs in queens and jacks, 4 HCP in aces = suitable = no upgrade no downgrade

Trump quality = good = upgrade

Summary 8 upgrades, 0 downgrades = raise by 2 points.

2c Pass

- ♠ No upgrade no downgrade
 - ♥ Downgrade short honor, downgrade unsupported honor
 - ♦ upgrade honor in partner's suit, downgrade jack, downgrade unsupported honor, downgrade 3 poor cards in partner's suit (no ruffing)
 - ♣ Upgrade AKJ together, upgrade ace, upgrade honors with length
- Shape 4432 – no upgrade, no downgrade
Suit suitability – 4 HCPs in queens and jacks, 4 HCP in aces = suitable = no upgrade no downgrade
Trump quality = very poor = double downgrade
Summary 4 upgrades, 7 downgrades = downgrade.

2d Invite

- ♠ Upgrade 1 point for extra trump
 - ♥ no upgrade no downgrade
 - ♦ upgrade KJ together, Upgrade honors in partner's suit, downgrade jack,
 - ♣ upgrade ace
- Shape 5332 – no upgrade, no downgrade
Suit suitability – 3 HCPs in queens and jacks, 4 HCP in aces = suitable = no upgrade no downgrade
Trump quality = average (for 9 card fit) = no upgrade no downgrade
Summary 3 upgrades, 1 downgrades = Upgrade. Add 2 points