

Practise responder's rebids

Hand: 1 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass 2♦ Pass ?	South ♠ 4 ♥ A J 7 ♦ K J 4 3 ♣ Q J 6 5 2
Hand: 2 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♠ Pass 2♣ Pass 2♥ Pass ?	South ♠ 6 2 ♥ J 8 6 ♦ A 3 2 ♣ K J 7 6 2
Hand: 3 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass ?	South ♠ K 9 4 3 ♥ A K 8 2 ♦ 7 5 2 ♣ J 5
Hand: 4 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♦ Pass 1♥ Pass 2♣ Pass ?	South ♠ 9 7 2 ♥ K J 6 4 3 2 ♦ 8 ♣ K 8 2
Hand: 5 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass ?	South ♠ 9 4 2 ♥ Q 9 8 2 ♦ A 5 2 ♣ J 5 2
Hand: 6 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♠ Pass 2♣ Pass 2♥ Pass ?	South ♠ 8 2 ♥ K 9 5 ♦ A Q 2 ♣ A 8 7 6 2
Hand: 7 Dealer: North Vul: None West North East South 1♣ Pass 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass ?	South ♠ K 9 4 3 ♥ K 8 5 2 ♦ 7 5 2 ♣ J 5

Answer: 4♥

Partner's rebid has shown that he has 5+ hearts. We have an 8+ card fit and enough points for game (12 HCP + 3 shortage points).

Answer: 2♠

Best to give preference to partner's first suit. A preference bid does not necessarily show 3 card support. A 5-2 trump suit fit will usually play better than a 4-3 trump suit fit as declarer is less likely to lose control of trumps.

Answer: 3♠

With 11 points we jump to 3♠ showing an invitational hand (10-12 points). With 13 points we would jump to 4♠.

Answer: 2♥

With 6 reasonable hearts we repeat them at the lowest level showing 6-9 points. Responder must not rebid his suit with a poor 6 card suit or with any 5 card suit. Opener has shown at least 5-4 in his two bid suits so may have only one card (or none!) in responder's suit.

Answer: 1NT

With the stopper in diamonds and flat shape with nothing to ruff, 1NT is probably better than 2♣.




1NT + 1 will score better than 2♣

Answer: 3NT

Enough points for game and we have a stopper in the unbid suit.


Answer: 2♠

Showing 6-9 points, the same as a raise on the first round of bidding.

Hand: 8			
Dealer: North Vul: None			
West	North	East	South
	1 	Pass	1 
Pass	2 	Pass	?

South
 K 9 4 3
 K 8 5 3
 7
 6 5 4 2

Answer: Pass

Opener has 5+ diamonds and 4+ clubs. He has denied 4 hearts and 4 spades. He also has 12-18 points (with 19 points he would have jumped to 3). The partnership does not have enough points for game. You have an 8+ card club fit so you pass. This is called a preference pass. You prefer partner’s clubs.