

Figure A: Responses to 1♣ Opening

		Responses to 1 Club Opening																		
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's Points and Bid																		
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT			Jump-Shift			Slam					
#1 Propose Major Suit	4+card major	PASS	1♥ or 1♠	1♥ or 1♠	1♥ or 1♠	2♥ or 2♠														
#2 Support Clubs	5+clubs		2♣	3♣	2 NT	5♣ or 3 NT														
#3 Propose Diamonds	4+diamonds		1♦	1♦	1♦	2♦														
#4 Propose NT	(3-3-3-4)		1 NT	1 NT	1 NT	3 NT														
5/30/2024		12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
		Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener holds 12 HCPs)																		

Figure B: Responses to 1♦ Opening

		Responses to 1 Diamond Opening Bid																		
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's Points and Bid																		
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT			Jump-Shift			Slam					
#1 Propose Major Suit	4+cards Major	PASS	1♥ or 1♠	1♥ or 1♠	1♥ or 1♠	2♥ or 2♠														
#2 Support Diamonds	5+diamonds		2♦	3♦	2 NT	5♦ or 3 NT														
#3 Propose Clubs	4+clubs		1 NT	2♣	2♣	3♣														
#4 Propose NT	(3-3-4-3)		1 NT	1 NT	1 NT	3 NT														
5/30/2024		12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
		Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener holds 12 HCPs)																		

Figure C: Responses to 1♥ Opening

		Responses to 1 Heart Opening Bid																			
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's Points and Bid																			
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT			Jump-Shift			Slam						
#1 Support Hearts	3-hearts	PASS				2♥			3♥			4♥						4♣ Gerber Explore Slam			
	4+hearts								2 NT (Jacoby)			3 NT									
	5+hearts *		4♥ *			4♥ *															
#2 Propose Spades	4+spades		1♠			1♠			1♠			2♠									
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor		1 NT			2♣ or 2♦			2♣ or 2♦			3♣ or 3♦									
5/30/2024			12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		32	33	34
		Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener has 12 HCPs)																			
		* Special Condition																			

Figure D: Response to 1♠ Opening

		Responses to 1 Spade Opening Bid																			
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's Points and Bid																			
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT			Jump-Shift			Slam						
#1 Support Spades	3-spades	PASS	2♠			3♠			4♠						4♣ Gerber Explore Slam						
	4+spades								2 NT (Jacoby)			3 NT									
	5+spades *		4♠ *			4♠ *															
#2 Propose Hearts	4+hearts		1 NT			2♥			2♥			3♥									
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor		1 NT			2♣ or 2♦			2♣ or 2♦			3♣ or 3♦									
5/30/2024			12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28		29	30	31	32	33	34
		Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener has 12 HCPs)																			
		* Special Condition																			

Figure E: Simple Responses to 1♥ Opening

Simple Responses to 1 Heart Opening Bid																						
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bid																				
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT				Jump-Shift				Slam					
#1 Support Hearts	3+ hearts	PASS	2♥			3♥			4♥				3 NT				4♣ Gerber Explore Slam					
#2 Propose Spades	4+spades		1♠			1♠			1♠				2♠									
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor		1 NT			2♣ or 2♦			2♣ or 2♦				3♣ or 3♦									
5/31/2024		12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35		
Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener has 12 HCPs)																						

Figure F: Simple Responses to 1♠ Opening

Simple Responses to 1 Spade Opening Bid																						
Priority	Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bid																				
		0 to 5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Game Level Major & NT				Jump-Shift				Slam					
#1 Support Spades	3+ spades	PASS	2♠			3♠			4♠				3 NT				4♣ Gerber Explore Slam					
#2 Propose Hearts	4+hearts		1 NT			2♥			2♥				3♥									
#3 Propose Better Minor	4+cards Better Minor		1 NT			2♣ or 2♦			2♣ or 2♦				3♣ or 3♦									
5/31/2024		12 to 17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35		
Minimum PARTNERSHIP Points (assume opener has 12 HCPs)																						

Figure G: Simple Responses to 1-Suit Openings for Beginners

Respond to 1♠ Opening

Main Priority - Need 6 HCPs to respond.

With 0 to 5 HCPs – bid **PASS**

#1) Support Spades (need 3+card **SPADE** suit)

6 to 9 pts **2♠** (single raise)

10 to 12 pts **3♠** (double raise)

13 to 16 pts **4♠** (triple raise to GAME)

17 to 20 pts **3 NT** (jump-shift support)

#2) Propose new 4+card HEART suit

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (1-over-1 restriction)

10 to 12 pts **2♥** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **2♥** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3♥** (jump-shift)

#3) Propose new 4+card Better Minor suit

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (1-over-1 restriction)

10 to 12 pts **2♣** or **2♦** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **2♣** or **2♦** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3♣** or **3♦** (jump-shift)

Respond to 1♥ Opening

Main Priority - Need 6 HCPs to respond.

With 0 to 5 HCPs – bid **PASS**

#1) Support Hearts (need 3+card **HEART** suit)

6 to 9 pts **2♥** (single raise)

10 to 12 pts **3♥** (double raise)

13 to 16 pts **4♥** (triple raise to GAME)

17 to 20 pts **3 NT** (jump-shift support)

#2) Propose new 4+card SPADE suit

6 to 9 pts **1♠** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1♠** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1♠** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **2♠** (jump-shift)

#3) Propose new 4+card Better Minor suit

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (1-over-1 restriction)

10 to 12 pts **2♣** or **2♦** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **2♣** or **2♦** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3♣** or **3♦** (jump-shift)

Respond to 1♦ Opening

Main Priority - Need 6 HCPs to respond.

With 0 to 5 HCPs – bid **PASS**

Next Priority - Ignore the Diamonds (for the moment)

#1) Propose new 4-card Better Major

6 to 9 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **2♥** or **2♠** (jump-shift)

#2) Support Diamonds (need 5+card **Diamond** suit)

6 to 9 pts **2♦** (single raise)

10 to 12 pts **3♦** (double raise)

13 to 16 pts **2 NT** (triple raise support)

17 to 20 pts **5♦** (quadruple raise) or **3 NT** (jump-shift support)

#3) Propose Clubs (need 4+card **Club** suit)

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (1-over-1 restriction)

10 to 12 pts **2♣** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **2♣** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3♣** (jump-shift)

#4) Propose No Trump (3-3-4-3 distribution)

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3 NT** (jump-shift)

Respond to 1♣ Opening

Main Priority - Need 6 HCPs to respond.

With 0 to 5 HCPs – bid **PASS**

Next Priority - Ignore the Clubs (for the moment)

#1) Propose new 4-card Better Major

6 to 9 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1♥** or **1♠** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **2♥** or **2♠** (jump-shift)

#2) Support Clubs (need 5+card **Club** suit)

6 to 9 pts **2♣** (single raise)

10 to 12 pts **3♣** (double raise)

13 to 16 pts **2 NT** (triple raise support)

17 to 20 pts **5♣** (quadruple raise) or **3 NT** (jump-shift support)

#3) Propose Diamonds (need 4+card **Diamond** suit)

6 to 9 pts **1♦** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1♦** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1♦** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **2♦** (jump-shift)

#4) Propose No Trump (3-3-3-4 distribution)

6 to 9 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

10 to 12 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

13 to 16 pts **1 NT** (lowest level)

17 to 20 pts **3 NT** (jump-shift)