

OPENER'S REBIDS

Session Seven – After Opener Bids One Club

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OK, more on **one club opening bids** and no interference by opponents. In each case today, *partner responds two diamonds or two hearts or two spades* to opener's one club bid. How does opener describe her hand with her next bid (rebid)?

In previous lessons, you learned that opener CANNOT pass partner's response in a new suit, because anytime responder bids a new suit, that's forcing. Can opener pass any of these two-level responses to her one club opening bid? _____ Why or why not? _____

OK, so I lied to you way back when. No bid deal. Please check the correct response: ___ No big deal

What does opener know about partner's hand after partner's two-level response in diamonds, hearts or spades? Approximately how many high card points? ___ to ___ How many of partner's chosen suit? _____

In previous rebid lessons, opener would follow partner's response with a rebid that tells partner:

- the strength of her hand, and
- the shape of her hand.

In these type of auctions, opener usually passes. BUT WHAT IF OPENER HAS A HAND LIKE THIS AND PARTNER RESPONDS TWO HEARTS???

K 8 7 4 A J 7 5 A J 10 5 2 _____

Or a hand like this!!!!!! A K 9 7 5 3 A J 7 A 10 9 5 2 _____

Yep, let's play some hands.

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