



SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty _____
 Negative thru 4♥s
 Responsive : thru 4♥s Maximal
 Support: Dbl. thru 2♠s Redbl
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
 out of support dbl range=good hands

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 7 to 17 HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NF Const NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
2♥s-2♠s(us)-p-3m=forcing 2M-3?(u)

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak
 Better vul _____

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
 Conv./Resp. Better vul _____

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels
1♣ 2♣=natural 1♣ 2♦s=Michaels

SLAM CONVENTIONS Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 Many auctions, bidding shows at least 2nd round control to bid immediately
 5NT ask spec kings Gerber: 0-3, 1-4, 2 and min, 2 and max 5c ask number of kings
 vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level DEPO 1 level below or on DOPI

LEADS (circle card led, if not in bold)

versus Suits		versus Notrump	
(X)X	x(x)(X)X	(X)X	x(X)x x
x x(X)	x(X)x X x	(X)X x	x(X)x X x
A(K)x	(T)9(x)	(A)K J x	A(Q)J x
(K)Q x	K(J)(T)x	(A)J T 9	A(T)9(x)
(Q)J x	K(T)9(x)	(K)Q J x	(K)Q T 9
(J)T 9	Q(T)9(x)	(Q)J T x	Q(T)9(x)
(K)Q T 9		(J)T 9 x	(T)9 x(X)

LENGTH LEADS:

4th Best vs SUITS vs NT
 3rd/5th Best vs SUITS vs NT
 Redwood, same suit from the 2 level, one above aft we bid above 2NT also 3 raises same suit
Primary signal to partner's leads
 Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 15 to 18 Systems on
 Conv. Spec Stay aft balancing 1NT
 Balancing: 10 to 16
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
 Conv. Mitchell Stayman same mi

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs:
 2♣ and higher _____
 2♦ and higher _____
 2♥ natural _____
 2♠ natural _____
 Dbl: 1 min, 2 majs or str ♠s
 Other Capp vs feather lite 13 top
 (-) new suit forcing

OVER OPP'S T/O DOUBLE

New Suit Forcing: 1 level 2 level
 Jump Shift: Forcing Inv. Weak
 Redouble implies no fit
 2NT Over Limit+ Limit Weak
 Majors
 Minors
 Other Aft neg dbl-redbl=10+ with 2

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4♥s Penalty
 Conv. Takeout: 50% take out above 4♥s
 Lebensohl 2NT Response
 Other: Equ lev conv thru the 4 level

DEFENSIVE CARDING

vs SUITS vs NT
 Standard:
 Except
 Upside-Down:
 count
 attitude

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
 Odd/Even
 hi/low odd cancels

OTHER CARDING

Shift Echo
 Trump Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

PLEASE ASK

NAMES Lair-Seligman

GENERAL APPROACH

Gazzilli
 Two Over One: Game Forcing Game Forcing Except When Suit Rebid
 VERY LIGHT: Openings 3rd Hand Overcalls Preempts
 FORCING OPENING: 1♣ 2♣ Natural 2 Bids Other rare pysches

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT 14+ to 17
 to _____
 5-card Major common
 System on over _____
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to ♥
 Forcing Stayman
 2♥ Transfer to ♠
 2♠ size ask or ♣s
 2NT ♦s, 3♦s likes

3♣ Puppet Stayman _____
 3♦ 5-5 min GF+ _____
 3♥ 3-1-5-4 GF 9-13 hcp _____
 3♠ 1-3-5-4 GF 9-13 hcp _____
 1NT-p-p-2M-dbl=max TO _____
 4♦, 4♥ Transfer Exclusion
 Smolen
 Lebensohl (Transdenies)
 Neg. Double 2M&3 level
 Other: INT-p-2NT could be _____

2NT 19+ to 21
 Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
 Jacoby Texas
 3♠ >>3NT, 4m=o/m
 4M=short, usually 5-5
 3NT KC _____ to Gambling
 4d ask for shortness

Conventional NT Openings
 1NT-3♦s(op)-3♠s=♥
 3NT Stay gets Xed

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
 cards support
 3rd/4th

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splitter
 Other: 3♠s LR+, 3♦s mixed Mini and 10-12 splitters
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing Gazzilli
 2NT: Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
 3NT: _____ to _____
 Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Capp Transfers
 Other: 1 maj-p-INT-interf dbl TO from both sides

MINOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 3 0-2 Conv.
 1♣
 1♦

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
 Other: Spiral raises _____
 Frequently bypass 4+♦
 1NT/1♣ _____ 7 _____ to _____
 2NT Forcing Inv. _____ to _____
 3NT: _____ to _____
 Other 2♥s=11 or 12 hcp by UPH

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

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2♣ _____ to _____ HCP Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> 2♦ Resp: Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting <input type="checkbox"/>	2♥s=dbl neg 2 of 3 honors out of comp less restricted in comp
2♦ _____ 5 _____ to _____ 11 _____ HCP Natural: Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. <input type="checkbox"/>	RONF McCabe 4♠s=special keycard 2NT Force <input type="checkbox"/> New Suit NF <input type="checkbox"/>
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OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF NMF by PH
 Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. After Stayman gets Xed, spec agree
 4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game Wolff Sign-Off
 Unusual vs Unusual 3d=LR+ in our maj, 3c=5 card invite in o/M 3 new maj forcing
 Capp trans after 1 level major suit overcalls followed by a negative double
 Snap Dragon Doubles Exclusion blackwood After Michaels, special continuations