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After an opening 1 of a major, the response 2NT is ultra precise :

- 4 cards in the major (and not 2, 4 or 5!)
 - 12HCP
 - A balanced hand without a 5-card suit
- The 2NT response is a convention, and doesn't guarantee any stoppers. It's non-forcing and the opener can pass.

S	W	N	E
		1 ♥	Pass
2 NT			

6 ♠	4 ♠	A ♥	Q ♥	J ♥	K ♣	5 ♣	3 ♣	2 ♣	J ♦	6 ♦	5 ♦	3 ♦
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To show a 5-3 heart fit ... and win game.



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The opener knows the exact strength of his partner.

- With a minimum 12HCP opening, he passes if he's happy to play NT. With a minimum opening he can also conclude at 3 in the major, if he doesn't want to play NT. With a strong opening, he calls game without describing his hand to the opponents!



S	W	N	E
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass



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3 spades With this very ordinary hand, don't go to game. 3 spades is a conclusion.



S	W	N	E
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass



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4 spades. Try for game with this strong hand!



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- With game not sure, the opener can ask his partner if he has something good in his second suit (a sort of trial bid in a suit). He bids that suit. With a balanced hand and the honors sprinkled about, the opener can also propose game in NT. He bids 3NT. The partner either accepts the proposal or else bids 4 hearts or 4 spades. With a strong hand, the opener begins the controls or jumps to 4NT if he holds all the controls!

S	W	N	E
1 ♠	Pass	2 NT	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass		

A	K	Q	10	8	K	9	6	A	Q	6	3	4
♠	♠	♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦

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3 clubs A sort of trial bid showing he needs some backup in clubs.