



## Opening bid 1 in a major (advanced)

### Major Opening bids (advanced)

- Don't just count your HCP, but learn to appreciate the strength of your hand : sometimes hands with a 14HCP count are worth more than 15HCP and should be opened with a bid of 1NT.
- With a special distribution and at least a 10HCP count, systematically open 1♥ or 1♠
- Open with a NT bid (1 or 2) with 5 card majors and a regular hand **when your honors are spread among the 4 suits**

S	W	N	E
1 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

K	4	K	9	A	K	9	8	4	3	J	10	7
♠	♠	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦	♦

Problem E5754 : 1 NT Of course, because of your 14HCP you should open this hand with a 1 NT bid! If you had been in possession of a Jack ♥ or ♠, you wouldn't have hesitated.

S	W	N	E
2 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

K	Q	10	A	J	9	4	3	A	J	9	A	J
♠	♠	♠	♥	♥	♥	♥	♥	♣	♣	♣	♦	♦

Problem E5758 : 2NT With 20HCP, a 5 card major and honors spread evenly, open 2NT