



The responder's 2nd bid after the opener has repeated his opening minor suit (and after a 1/1 shift response)

Reminder: How many cards does the opener promise when he repeats his minor suit?

- If your response suit is right above the opener's suit, the opener has got 6 cards
- If not, He may hold 5 cards only but not be able to name his two suiter



Exercise 9884 In this case, the opener rebids his suit with 6 cards



Exercise 9884 In this case, the opener is repeating with only 5 cards





The responder's options

- Repeating your suit means it is at least as good as the opener's one. You don't change for worse, do you?
- After a 1/1 shift, raising at level 3 is not forcing.. the aim is to embarrass the opponents.
- A level 4 raise is a very strong bid..slam maybe, but game for sure.. Definitely a forcing bid!
- Naming a 3rd suit is forcing.
- NT bids promise stoppers in the 2 remaining suits. Most of the time bidding NT means you have honors to protect, else you leave your partner bid NT.



Exercise 9886 2 . 3rd suit , forcing. It is game forcing, so you need 11 HCP!



Exercise 9988 2 NT: game proposal. Be the first to bid NT as you have Ks to protect...





Repeating your suit - Supporting the opener

Repeating your suit is not forcing:

- At level 2 : you suit is at least as nice as the opener's, but there is no game ambitions
- At level 3 : nice 6 carder

Supporting the opener's minor suit

- Level 3: it's a kind of preempt, not forcing
- Level 4: The strongest possible support. T's a slam proposal or at least a game



Exercise 9885 2 ♥ shows a nice 6 carder (because the suit you named is right above the opener's) and no game ambition



Exercise 9890 4 ♦ : the strongest support. Slam proposal.





NT bids - 3rd suit forcing

NT bids

They require:

- Stoppers in the remaining suits
- 2 NT game proposal: 11 HCP
- 3 NT game bid : 12 HCP and above; in this case, you must have honors to protect. Otherwise use a 3rd suit forcing bid and your partner will be the declarer.

3r suit forcing (cf. specific technical data sheet).



Exercise 1193 3 NT. Make the NT game yours!



Exercise 1191 2 NT. With 11 HCP and scattered honors in the other suits, propose a game.