

SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: Penalty
 Negative thru 4H
 Responsive thru 3S Maximal
 Support: Dbl thru 2H Redbl
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
only when 4+

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level 8 to 17 HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
 Responses
 New Suit: Forcing N/Const NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong Intermediate Weak

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
 Conv./Resp.

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
2NT-Special Kings PKC

vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 3 ROPI

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
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 9 x
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
 Attitude vs NT

Business
 Primary signal to partner's leads
 Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING

Neckwell against 2NT

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: 4 to Systems on
 Conv. 4 major 5+ minor
 Balancing: 4 to 5
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
 Conv.

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: strong weak (13)
 2♣ C+M
 2♦ D+M NAT
 2♥ H
 2♠ S
 Dbl: C/D/1dayers penalty
 Other: two thru
25

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

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru 4H Penalty
 Conv. Takeout:
 Lebensohl 2NT Response
 Other:

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: vs SUITS vs NT
 Except

Upside-Down:
 count
 attitude
Exceptions at trick 1

FIRST DISCARD

Lavinthal
 Odd/Even

OTHER CARDING

Smith Echo
 Trump, Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

PLEASE ASK

Reverse-2NT=5+

NAMES

DNITRI & JESSICA

GENERAL APPROACH

2/1
 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

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

15 INT to 17
 3♣ minors inv
 3♦ minors GF
 3♥ 3-1(54) GF
 3♠ 1-3(54) GF
 5-card Major common
 System on over dbl, 2C♠
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to X
 Forcing Stayman
 2♥ Transfer to X
 2♠ → C or Inv
 2NT → D
 4♦ 4♥ Transfer thru 3C
 Smolen
 Lebensohl (D denies)
 Neg. Double 2,3 krel
 Other:

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
 1st/2nd
 3rd/4th

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splinter
 Other: 3rd overcall w/ 3rd extra
3rd suit short extra no short
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. to
 3NT: to
 Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 Other: On over 2/1/5; 15-20-21 weak

MINOR OPENING

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

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Forcing Raise: J/S in other minor
 Single raise Other: limit
 Frequently bypass 4+♦
 1NT/1♣ 6 to 9
 2NT Forcing Inv. 10 to 11
 3NT: 12 to 15
 Other:

DESCRIBE

RESPONSES/REBIDS

2♣ 224 to HCP
 Strong Other
 2♦ Resp: Neg Waiting
 2H-reg
 2D-GF

2♦ 5 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF
Feature

2♥ 5 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF
Feature

2♠ 5 to 10 HCP
 Natural: Weak Intermediate Strong Conv.
 2NT Force New Suit NF
Feature

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing 2-Way NMF 2C→2D
 Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp.
XY

4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game NS 3NT
Kalish game try 1M-2M
Rosenkrantz XX (A,K) 15-2H thru
Unusual vs Unusual
 Nathe transfers direct
 overhang club
 FJS by PH
 (we - fit limit
 low ruff - closer weaker)