



SPECIAL DOUBLES

After Overcall: **Penalty** **1♠(2m/2♠+)**
 Negative thru **1m/♥/NT:2♣thru3♠**
 Responsive : thru **3♠** Maximal
Support: Dbl. thru **2 our MRedbl**
 Card-showing Min. Offshape T/O
1m-(1R) X art: (1 lev)-X str usu bal

SIMPLE OVERCALL

1 level **8+** to HCP (usually)
 often 4 cards very light style
Responses
 New Suit: Forcing NFConst NF
 Jump Raise: Forcing Inv. Weak
 cue usually fit

JUMP OVERCALL

Strong **Intermediate** **Weak**
8-16: 2 cheapest roman, 1♠-3♣ nat

OPENING PREEMPTS

Sound Light Very Light
 3/4-bids
Conv./Resp. varies by vul; wider if PP

DIRECT CUEBID

OVER: Minor Major
 Natural
 Strong T/O
 Michaels
 over/under 2-suiter 4+M5+m

SLAM CONVENTIONS

Gerber : 4NT: Blackwood RKC 1430
 After GF, able to pattern out via relay system not in comp
 P1stD2nd, P1stR2nd, PODE: relay break to 3M/4m inv KC
 vs Interference: DOPI DEPO Level: 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)
(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
 4th lead if like in NT Attitude vs NT
 A ATT/K CT/usb; ATT in P's st/switch
Primary signal to partner's leads
 Attitude Count Suit preference

SPECIAL CARDING

NOTRUMP OVERCALLS

Direct: to Systems on
Conv. t/o. (1X-1Y)-1N Nat 15-18
Balancing: 13 to 16
 Jump to 2NT: Minors 2 Lowest
Conv. Str 2 unbid

DEFENSE VS NOTRUMP

vs: all
 2♣ 5+♠4+♥
 2♦ 4+♠5+♥
 2♥
 2♠
 Dbl: UPH: Pen PH: 5+m
Other both direct and balance

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 system on

VS Opening Preempts Double Is

Takeout thru **4♥** Penalty
Conv. Takeout: 4N over 4♠
Lebensohl 2NT Response
Other:

DEFENSIVE CARDING

Standard: vs SUITS vs NT
 Except
 UD exc. std. suit pref
 tr echo asks ruff
 Upside-Down:
 count
 attitude
FIRST DISCARD
 Lavinthal
 Odd/Even
UD ATT
OTHER CARDING
 Smith Echo
 Trump Suit Pref.
 Foster Echo

PLEASE ASK

NAMES Sam Dinkin - Kalyan Venkat (Open+)

GENERAL APPROACH

Strong **Weak** 1M/2m 1/2. Legend: 1/2=1st/2nd seats, 3/4=3rd/4th
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 1♦, 3/4 1♣

NOTRUMP OPENING BIDS

1NT
 1st/2nd to 12to14
 3rd/4th to 15to17
 5-card Major common
 System on over 1/2 only
 2♣ Stayman Puppet
 2♦ Transfer to ♥
 Forcing Stayman Smolen
 2♥ Transfer to ♠
 2♠ 4-5♠ 0-3♥ inv
 2NT inv in m or mm
 3♣ Stayman
 3♦ Jacoby xfer ♥ GF
 3♥ Jacoby xfer ♠ GF
 3♠ 5♠4♥ GF
 system off 3rd/4th
 4♦, 4♥ Transfer SA
 Lebensohl (___denies)
 Neg. Double 3♠
 Other: 3/4: 15-17 no Maj

2NT 6+♠ to 1/2 15-17
 Puppet Stayman
Transfer Responses:
 Jacoby Texas
 3♠ to play
 3♣=GF ask, 4m SPL
3NT Gamble to ___
 solid m no side A/K 1/2
Conventional NT Openings
 3/4: 2N=6+♠ 18-19

MAJOR OPENING

Expected Min. Length 4 5
 1st/2nd 8-11
 3rd/4th 15-17

RESPONSES

Double Raise: Force Inv. Weak
 After Overcall: Force Inv. Weak
 Conv. Raise: 2NT 3NT Splinter
Other: 2♣GF; 2♦Art, Inv+; 2M/3mNF
 1NT: Forcing Semi-forcing
 2NT: Forcing Inv. no fit to ___
 3NT: ___ to ___
Drury : Reverse 2-Way Fit
 could be canapé; 1♠ 0-3♥
Other: 1♥-1♠ NF; fragment; 1/2♦ Drury

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
Single raise **Other: 1♠-1♠ GF**
 Frequently bypass 4+♦ 1♦-1N+ GF
 1NT/1♣ ___ 0 ___ to ___ 11-
 2NT Forcing Inv. 1♣ inv to 1♦ GF
 3NT: ___ to ___
Other 1♦ str/1♣-1R=xfer

DESCRIBE RESPONSES/REBIDS

DESCRIBE	RESPONSES/REBIDS
2♣ 1/2N4+-9♠V vary HCP Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Natural nf 2♦ Resp: Neg <input type="checkbox"/> Waiting <input type="checkbox"/> N 3/4: 5+, 1/2 V 6+	2♦ GF; 2M/3♦ inv-; 2N/3M/4♦ inv
2♦ " to " HCP Natural: Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. <input type="checkbox"/> """, 0-3♠, 0-4♥	2♥GF; 2Nnf inv 5+♥ 2NT Force <input type="checkbox"/> New Suit NF <input type="checkbox"/>
2♥ 1/2 10+ to 14 HCP Natural: Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. <input type="checkbox"/> 5M4m31 or 6+M	3lower inv+ art, 2♠GF 2NT Force <input type="checkbox"/> New Suit NF <input type="checkbox"/>
2♠ "4th to 13-14 HCP Natural: Weak <input type="checkbox"/> Intermediate <input type="checkbox"/> Strong <input type="checkbox"/> Conv. <input type="checkbox"/> ", 0-3♠, 3rd 0-14	"4m SPL 2NT Force <input type="checkbox"/> New Suit NF <input type="checkbox"/>

OTHER CONV. CALLS: New Minor Forcing: 2-Way NMF
 Weak Jump Shifts: In Comp. Not in Comp. 3/4: 1♣ 15-17- unbal art. force
4th Suit Forcing: 1 Rd. Game vs Str ♣: 1NT one suiter, dbl (54) ♦♠/♥♣
 vs. Str ♣: 1 of a suit 4+cards 5+next, 2 of a suit 5+cards 4+next

Lebensohl in 2 level comp after our 1-level openers