COMPETITIVE BIDDINGS

Natural Overcall and Answers

A suit: 10⁺H or good suit / Jump overcalls: preempt

- Jumped fit : preemptive
- New jumped suit : naturel + fit.

When we overcall to 1/2NT naturel, 2/3♣ is always Stayman

Reopening: 8-14H. Answers: Cue-bid = 12⁺H.

2 Suiters

1x – 2NT = lowest	1m - 2 ♦ = ♥/♠
1♥-2♥=♣/♠	1♠ - 2♠ = ♣/♥
1♥-3♣= ♦/♠	1♠ - 3♣ = ♦/♥
1m – 3m = ♠/m'	

1♣-P-P-2♣: ♥/♠ /// 1♣-P-P-2♦: ♦

Defense against PREEMPT

X : T/O.	2M – 4♣/♦ : M' + m
Answer: 2NT = 8+	3m – 4m : ♥/♠

Defense against STRONG NT

X: Minor/major – 5+ in a minor & 4 in a major

2♣ : Majors, 5/4+

2 ♦ : Multi : one major 2 ♥ /2 ♠ : 5 cards + a minor

2NT: Minors

Defense against WEAK NT

Same as against strong NT except the double :

X = 14H+, then 2 Sos or clubs / natural answers level 2 / transfer answers level 3 with good hand (2NT = clubs)

Defense against Michael's cue-bid

Lowest cue-bid : fit, invit + Highest cue-bid : 4th suit GF Other : naturel NF

Vs majors : cue-bid shows : stopper OR short + fit

Action after opponent's T/O double

XX: 11H+ with fit or penalty / Jumps: natural, with a fit

LEADS AND SIGNALS

We always play standard count: high-low is even.

We never play a smith. Switch: attitude or count.

Vs NT: Lead 4th best; 4th with a H, top of xxx, 2nd with xxxx

We lead the count in partenaire suit.

Low is encouraging when part. leads Ace or Queen.

King asking for unblock or the count.

<u>Discard</u>: Lavinthal (Suit pref in a uninteresting suit)

Vs Trump: Lead the count.

High is enc if p leads Ace or King and there is xxx on dummy. Suit pref if there is a singleton on dummy in suit lead.

Discard: High is encouraging

Leads

	<u>VS NT</u>	<u>VS Suits</u>		
Α	Ax; AKx; AKVx	A x ; A K(H)(x)		
К	Asking for unblock MQ(x); AK; We lead K with A if we a singleton.			
Q	(A) Q J(x), K Q x, K Q 10x	Q x ; Q J(x)		
J	(A)(K) <u>J</u> 10(x)	J x ; J 10(x) ; K J 10(x)		
10	(A)(K)(Q)109(x)	10x; K109(x); Q109(x)		
hi-x	<u>x</u> x; <u>x</u> xx; x <u>x</u> xxx; x <u>x</u> xx ; H <u>x</u> x	<u>x</u> x;x <u>x</u> xx;Hx <u>x</u> x; x <u>x</u> xxxx;Hx <u>x</u> xxx		
low-x	Hxx <u>x</u> (x) ; HHx <u>x</u> (x)	xx <u>x</u> ; Hx <u>x</u> ; xxxx <u>x</u> ; Hxxx <u>x</u>		

Signalisation

	<u>VS NT</u>	VS Trump			
Ace-lead	Low = enc 1) Count, 2) High enc., 3) su				
King-lead	1) Unblock, 2) count	1) count, 2) High = encourage			
Queen-lead	Low = enc	Count			
Declarer suit	Count	suit preference			
Discard	Lavinthal	High encourage			
Switch	1) Low encourage, 2) Count				



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GENERAL SYSTEM

Base System and General Style

Major 5th, Better Minor

2 ◆ Multicolore, 2 ♣ GF,

2 ♥ /2 ♠ 5 cards + a minor 4+ weak

Strong Openings

1NT: (14)15-17HL

- Semi-balanced

2NT: (19)20-21HL

- Maybe 5M/6m

2 ♦ - (2x) - 2NT : 22-23HL

- Sometimes with singleton

2♣ - (2x) - 2NT : 24⁺HL

Special Biddings

2♣ : GF relay Note 2
Gazzilli Note 1

2 → : Multi : weak 2 major / 22-23H balanced

2 ♥: 5 ♥ and a minor 4+, weak (3-10) 2 ♠: 5 ♠ and a minor 4+, weak (3-10)

 $1 \leftarrow -2 \checkmark : 5 \land +4 \checkmark (3-8)$

Psychics

Only Mistakes!

Opening maybe light in third seat.

BIDDINGS AND DEVELOPMENTS

Open ing	Artifi cial	Min Cards	Description	Neg X untill	Ar	Answers Next Bidding		Changes After Overcall / After Pass	
1*		3+, 3 if 4423 (43)33	11-23HL	4 🏟	Naturel 1m 3m limit	- 3♣ minimum, then 3♦ r	inimum, then 3 ◆ re-ask 3 ♥ 5431, 3 ♠ NT 5422, 4 ♣ 5521, 4 ◆ 5512 maximum; 3 ◆ 5431, 3 ♥ 55, 3 ♠ 5413, Jump fit in the opening minor on		Any jump after pass, overcall or double: 4+ support and a good suit. After an overcall, jump fit is invit
1•		3+ 3 if 4432	11-23HL	4 🏟	Jump : naturel strg, except 1 - 2 •	1			1m - (1NT) - 2 ♣ : majors 1m - (1NT) - 2 ♦ / ♥ / ♠ /3 ♣ : naturel
1♥		5+	11-23HL	4 🖍	2/1 : GF except 1M 2x 2y 3x. 2♣ = maybe short Note 2 Major fit Note 3 2NT : 3+ support, 11+H, invit or bal or 4441 3NT : 4 cards, 11-13H, bal 3M : prempt / 3♣ : 4 cards bal 7-9 / 3♠ : 4 cards unbal 7-9 (then 3M' ask) 1♣ 4♥ = Splinter		Gazzilli Note 1 1M 2NT? == > 3 ♣ 16+ / 3 ♦ 13-15 (GF) / 3M weak ==> 1M 2NT 3 ♣ : 3 ♦ positive (next : 3 ♥ : bal/ 3 ♣ / 4 ♣ / ♦ = short ♣ / ♦ / M') / 3M negatif / 3NT: NF / 4m bad 5 cards. 1 ♥ - 1 ♠ - 1NT - 2 ♣ : relay for 2 ♦		Any jump after pass, overcall or double: 4+ support and a good suit. After an overcall, jump fit is preempt After an overcall, 2NT shows 3 or 4c, 11+, cue-bid is GF with 4c Pass − 1M − 2♣: support and 11HCP+. Then 2M = stop, 2 ♦ asking, other suit = slam bid 1M − (1NT) − 2♣: 2 card support + 5 cards oth. Maj 1M − (1NT) − 2 ♦ / ▼ / ♠ / 3♣: naturel
1♠		5+	11-23HL	4♠					
1NT			(14)15-17HL Maybe 5M or 6m	4 🏠	2♣: Stayman / 2 • /2 3 •: HHxxxx NF / 3 • 4♣: asking aces (0 1 4 •: both majors	: 31(54) 3♠ : 13(54)	$31(54)$ 3 \bigstar : 13(54) After a minor transfer we hid the chartness suit (even		Rubensohl After penalty double : XX SOS & naturel When Stayman is double we bid 2 ♥/♠/NT naturel with stopper, 3♣ 4-4 maj, Pass no ♣ stopper
2*	х	0+	Game forcing	4.	2 → : most of the time other : good suit 6+				
2♦	х	0+	Maxi-Multi - weak 2 in major - 22-23H balanced	24	2 or 3 V/A or 4 V: pass or correct 2NT: strong relay 3.4/4: nature! NF		rectification	then stayman and transfer with fit then 3 ask : 3 = A, 3 = inimum transfers	2 ◆ - (2M) - X : pass or correct 2 ◆ - (3x) - X : penalty 2 ◆ - (X) - pass : to play / XX : bid 2 ♥ ! 2 ◆ - (X) - 2M : P/C
2♥	х	5	5 cards and 4+	/	2NT : strong relay 2 ★ / 3 ★ / ◆ / 2 ▼ : naturel NF 2M - 3/4M : to play 4 ★ : Pass or correct		2M - 2NT - 3m - 3M 2M - 2NT - 3m - 3M	, 0	Every doubles are penalty
2♠	х	5	minor, weak, 3-10H	/			2M – 2NT – 3m – 4m : invit		2M – (X) – XX : Punish if you can
2NT			(19)20-21H	4	Stayman/transfer		Slam Bidding		
3x		6+	Preempt	/			Blackwood 30/41.		
3NT	х		Gambling One full minor	/	4/5♣: Pass or correct / 4M: To play 4♦: asking for a singleton		After a blackwood the just next bid asking for trump queen. Then; 1 st bid: no queen / 2 nd bid: queen, but no king / 3 rd bid: queen and 1 king		
4x		7+	Preempt	/			5NT asking for king. We answer the number of king.		

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Note 1a: GAZZILLI

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1M
                 1x
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                                                                                                 1 🌲
                                                                                        2
         2.
                 \Rightarrow
                          any 16+HCP or 5M + 4<sup>+</sup>♣
                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          4 cards, 11-13HCP
                                                                                        3.
                                                                                                          4 cards 14-16HCP unbal
         2x
                          5M + 4x 11-15HCP
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                          6M + 4m 14+HCP
                                                                                                          Splinter with 16-17HCP
         2NT
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                        4m
                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                          5M + 5x 14-16HCP
         3x
                 \Rightarrow
         3M
                          7 cards 11-13HCP
                 \Rightarrow
         3NT
                          5332 19-20 HCP with 2 cards M'
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                        1NT
         1 🛦
                 1NT
                                                                                        1 🔻
                                                                                                 1 🔥
                                                                                                                                                               1 🕶
                 2 •
                                                                                        2.
                                                                                                 2 •
         2 *
                                   8+HCP, any other denies points
                                                                                                                   8+HCP, any other denies points
                                                                                                                                                               2*
                                                                                                                                                                        2 •
                                                                                                                                                                                         8+HCP
                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                  2/3 cards
                                   6 cards or 5 cards and 1
                                                                                                 2 🕶
                                                                                                                                                                                         2/3 cards
                  2 🕶
                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                        2 🕶
                                                                                                                                                                                \Rightarrow
                 2.
                                                                                                 2 🔥
                                                                                                                  6 cards or 5 cards with 1M
                                                                                                                                                                        2 ^
                                                                                                                                                                                         31(45)
                                   2/3 cards
                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                \Rightarrow
                  2NT
                                   0/1 , 0-4 •
                                                                                                 2NT
                                                                                                                   for minors
                                                                                                                                                                        2NT
                                                                                                                                                                                \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                         5/5 minor 1 •
                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                  3m
                                   6 cards
                                                                                                 3m
                                                                                                                   6 cards
                                                                                                                                                                        3m
                                                                                                                                                                                         6 cards
                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                \Rightarrow
                                                                                                 3.
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                   7 cards
                                                                                                                                                                        1NT
         1M
                 1x
                                                                                        1M
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                 2 •
                                                                                        2.
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                                                                                                                                                                        2 •
         2.
         2M
                 \Rightarrow
                          5M + 4., 11-15HCP any other means 16+
                                                                                        2M'
                                                                                                 2M'+1 ⇒
                                                                                                                   asking for how many cards in M'
                                                                                                                                                               2 🔻
                                                                                                                                                                        2♠ (how many ♥?)
                          3+ cards M', 16+, relay to 2M' +1
                                                                                        2M'+2
                                                                                                                   4 cards in M', relay with 2M' +3
         2M'
                                                                                                                                                               3.
                                                                                                                                                                                5/5 major 17+
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
         2NT
                          5M + 4 ...
                                                                                        3 •
                                                                                                                   6 M cards, only 3 cards M'
                                                                                                                                                                        3 ◆ (asking shape)
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
         3.
                 \Rightarrow
                          5M + 4
                                                                                        3 🕶
                                                                                                                   (53)41
                                                                                                                                                               3♥
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                 5521
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                          6M, denies 3 cards M'
                                                                                        3.
                                                                                                                   (53)14
                                                                                                                                                                                5512
         3 •
                                                                                                                                                               3.
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
         3y
                          6M + 4M', short . 18-21HCP
                                                                                        3NT
                                                                                                                   (53)(32)
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
                          6M + 4M', short ◆, 18-21HCP
         3.
                 \Rightarrow
                          17-18HCP with 2 cards M'
                                                                                                 1 ^/1NT
                                                                                                                                                                        1NT
         3NT
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                        1 🕶
                                                                                                                                                               1 🛦
                                                                                                                                                                        2 •
                                                                                        2.
                                                                                                 2 •
                                                                                                                                                               2.
Note 1b: after a rebid at 2NT
                                                                                                 2NT (asking how many ...)
                                                                                                                                                                        2 . (how many ♥ ?)
                                                                                        2
                                                                                                                                                               2 🔻
         1M
                 1x
                                                                                        3♣(4) 3♦
                                                                                                                   asking for the shape
                                                                                                                                                               2NT(4)3♣ (asking shape)
                                                                                                          \Rightarrow
         2NT
                          6M + 4m 14+HCP
                                                                                        3♥
                                                                                                          4531
                                                                                                                                                                                64(21) then 3♥?
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                               3 •
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                                   asking
                                                                                                          4513
                                                                                                                                                                                 5431
                  3.
                                                                                        3.
                                                                                                                                                               3♥
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                          \Rightarrow
        3 ♦ / ♥ ⇒
                          6M + 4♣/♦ 14-16HCP
                                                                                        3NT
                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                          4522
                                                                                                                                                               3
                                                                                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                                                                 5413
        3♠/3NT⇒
                          6M + 4♣/♦ 17<sup>+</sup>HCP
                                                                                                                                                               3NT
                                                                                                                                                                                5422
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4♣/♦ ⇒

6M + 5♣/◆ 17⁺HCP

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Note 2:1M - 2♣

3**v**

3

3NT

 \Rightarrow

 \Rightarrow

 \Rightarrow

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2. is GF except if rebid to 3. That's a relay with:
                                                                                               1M
                                                                                                        2.
    a) Long clubs.
                                                                                               2 •
                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                11-15HCP without 4M', 2♥ asking the shape.
    b) Bal hand (maybe more diamond than clubs).
                                                                                                                bid 24 or more immediately shows the same shape with 16+HCP
                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
    c) Fit hand, GF with 3 cards.
                                                                                               2 🕶
                                                                                                        \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                4+ M'
        Without 4 cards in M'
                 2*
                                                                     2*
        1M
                                                            1M
        (2 *
                 2 v)
                                                            (2 *
                                                                     2/)
                                                                                      (Only if minimum opening 11-15HCP)
                                                                             \Rightarrow
                                                                     2NT ? ⇒
                                                                                      2♠ show 5M + 4<sup>+</sup>♦, and 2NT ask.
        2
                 \Rightarrow
                          5M + 4<sup>+</sup> ♦
                                                            2
        2NT
                          Bal or 6+M
        3.
                          5M + 4♣.
                                                            3.
                                                                              5M + 4♦
                                                                                                                then 3 \bullet ask for a short : 3 \lor = m', 3 \land = M', 3NT = 5422
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                     \Rightarrow
                         5M + 5♣
                                                                                                                then 3♥ ask for the short : 3♠ = m', 3NT = M'
        3 •
                                                            3 •
                                                                              5M + 5
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                     \Rightarrow
                         6M + 4♣, short ◆
                                                                             6M + 4♦, short ♣
        3♥
                                                            3♥
                                                                     \Rightarrow
                 \Rightarrow
                         6M + 4♣, short M'
                                                            3.
                                                                              6M + 4 ♦, short M'
        3.
                                                                     \Rightarrow
        3NT
                          18-19H bal with 3.
                \Rightarrow
        1M
                 2.
                                                                                                                         2<sup>nd</sup> bid after 2.
        (2 *
                 2v)
                                  (2 	
◆ shows mini, 2 	
▼ asking shape)
                          \Rightarrow
        2NT
                                  asking
                 3 🚣
                                                                                                                1M
                                                                                                                         2.
                         Balance hand: 5332 or 6322
                                                                                                                2 🕶
                                                                                                                        2
                                                                                                                                          2♥ shows 4<sup>+</sup> M', 2♠ ask the range.
        3 •
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                         2SA
                                                                                                                                          Naturel FM (diamond stopper)
        3v
                          short club
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                          Naturel NF
                          short diamond
                                                                                                                         3.
        3
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
        3NT
                          short M'
                                                                                                                         3♦
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                          Asking for a stopper
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                          Slam try
                                                                                                                         3v
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
        1M
                 2.
                                                                                                                                          Slam try
                                                                                                                         3.
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                         3SA
                 2
                                  2♥ shows 4<sup>+</sup> M', 2♠ ask the range.
                                                                                                                                          To play
        2 🕶
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                         minimum 11-15HCP. Any other means 16+
        2NT
                                                                                                                                          Splinter short diamond with a fit ...
                                                                                                                         4.
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                 \Rightarrow
                                                                                                                                          Splinter short ♥ with a fit ▲
        3.
                         (54)13
                                                                                                                         4 •
                                                                                                                                 \Rightarrow
                 \Rightarrow
                         (54)31
        3 •
                 \Rightarrow
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5/5 maj if 1♠ opening, 6/4 if 1♥ opening.

6/4 if 1 opening

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Note 3a: Major fit

Weak raise (max 10HCP):

If fit, 3 cards bal 4-6HCP 1M 1NT 2M 3 cards 7-10HCP

3. 4 cards 7-9HCP bal, then 3 ◆ check your hand

4 cards 7-9HCP unbal 3 •

4-5 cards 4-7HCP 3M 4M 5 cards 4-7HCP

After a 3 ♦ answer

1M 3 • 4 cards 7-9HCP unbal \Rightarrow

3/4M ⇒ to play

asking for the shortness 3M' \Rightarrow

Strong raise (mini 10HCP):

2. If fit, 3M GF or 3+M with 5 good clubs 1M

> 2 • If fit, 3+M with 5 good diamonds \Rightarrow

2NT 3/4 cards 10-11HCP or 4 cards GF

4 cards 12-14HCP 3NT

3 . 4 . 4 . 4 / ♦ / ♥ Splinters 4 cards 9-11HCP

After a 2NT answer

1M 2NT 3/4 cards 10-11HCP or 4 cards GF \Rightarrow

3. 16+HCP \Rightarrow

3♦ GF but minimum (13-15HCP) \Rightarrow

(after 1 opening) 5/5 maj 3♥ \Rightarrow

To play if minimum 2NT 3M \Rightarrow

1M 2NT

Strong (13⁺HCP) 4 cards 3. 3 • \Rightarrow

3M Minimum with 3 cards

4m 5 bad cards \Rightarrow

1M 2NT

3 • 3.

3♥ ⇒ no shortness

 $3 \stackrel{\wedge}{\bullet} \Rightarrow$ short club

3NT ⇒ short diamond

 $4 \stackrel{\bullet}{\bullet} \Rightarrow \text{short M}'$

3 • 1M

3M'? $3M'+1 \Rightarrow \text{short club}$

3M'+2 ⇒ short diamond

 $3M'+3 \Rightarrow \text{short } M'$

2NT

3•

 $3 \stackrel{\wedge}{\Rightarrow}$ no shortness

4♣ ⇒ short diamond

3NT ⇒ short club

1M

3.

3♥

 $4 \rightarrow \text{short M}'$

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Note 3b : Major fit after an overcall

If they overcall with a suit

After an overcall, we play 2NT shows a fit 3/4 cards, invit or more. The cue-bid shows a fit with 4 cards slam try.

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1M (1^{4}/2x) X \Rightarrow Denies a fit

2NT \Rightarrow 3/4 cards invite or more

3M \Rightarrow preempt (max 8HCP)

2^{4}/3x \Rightarrow 4 cards slam try

3y \Rightarrow fit showing : 4+ cards M, 5+ cards y, 8-11HCP.
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If they bid over our 2NT, X is penalty, and bid 3M is weaker than Pass.

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\begin{array}{llll} \text{1M} & (\text{P/1} / 2\text{x}) & \text{2NT} & (3\text{x}) \\ \text{X} & \Rightarrow & \text{penalty} \\ \text{Pass} & \Rightarrow & \text{encouraging} \\ \text{3M} & \Rightarrow & \text{really weak} \end{array}
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If they overcall with a double

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1M
        (X)
                         XX
                                         If fit, with 3 cards and 10<sup>+</sup>HCP
                                 \Rightarrow
                         2NT
                                         Truscott 4 cards 11-12HCP or 15+HCP
                                \Rightarrow
                                         preempt (max 8HCP)
                         3M
                         3NT
                                         super truscott 13-14HCP
                                \Rightarrow
                                         fit showing: 4+ cards M, 5+ cards y, 8-11HCP.
                         3y
                                 \Rightarrow
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If they overcall with 2 suiters

If there is only one known suit: cue-bid shows a 4 cards raise with 10+HCP / a new suit is forcing.

If there are **2 known suits**: lowest cue-bid shows a 4 cards raise with 10⁺HCP / highest cue-bid shows the 4th suit GF / last suit is NF.

If 2 suiters are **majors**: each cue-bid shows: a) stopper in this major b) GF raise + a short in this suit.

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