

# Bridge Refresher Class

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# What you already know (maybe)

- The order of the suits
- The types of contract
- Number of tricks for game
- Hand evaluation
- HCPs for game and slam

# Activities in Bridge Hand

- Bidding
- Playing
- Defending

# Bidding situations

- Pre-emptive bids
- Very strong hands
- Unusual hands
- Competitive auctions
- Uncontested auctions

# To Bid or not to bid?

- Less than 12 points: Pass
- 12 to 19 points: Open at one level

# Types of opener

- No trump
- 5+ card suit
- 4 card suit

# Bidding Filter

- Less than 12 pts                      Pass
- 12-14 pts balanced                  Bid 1NT
- 5+ card suit(s)                      Bid (higher) one
- 4 card suit(s)                        Bid (lowest) one

# Response to 1NT opener

- 0-10 pts balanced      Pass
- 0-10 pts long suit      Bid two of suit
- 11-12 pts balanced      Bid 2NT
- 13+ pts balanced      Bid 3NT
- 13+ pts long suit      Force to game



# Response to 1 of suit

- 0-5 pts pass
- 6+ pts Start looking for
  - Major suit fit
  - No trump contract
  - Minor suit fit

Remember: partner is promising another bid so no need to rush things

# Subsequent bidding

- Both players need to be thinking
  - What level do we want to be at?
  - What suit do we want to be in?

Limit

Invite

Force

Learn to distinguish these three situations