

Weekly Bridge Quiz #29

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Q1: Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

With the opponents passing, you open 1D and partner responds 1H. What is your rebid?

Pros' Answer: You need 9 cards in the minors to rebid 2C. Bid 1NT, despite the lack of a spade stopper.

Wayne in Canada added Chat GPT's Responses to their answers, and I am adding them to ours so you can see them here. They include other correct responses to the questions that the pros don't mention. Enjoy!

Chat GPT's Response: 1NT - You have 14 HCP, a balanced shape (4-3-4-2), and no support for hearts. A 1NT rebid shows 12–14 HCP and a balanced hand without four spades. Repeating a minor at the 2-level (like 24) would suggest at least 9 cards in the minors, implying unbalanced shape. At the one-level, NT does not promise full stoppers across all suits (that's more of a 2NT/3NT concern).

Question 1

Bid	Totals	1NT	2C	2D	2NT
#	43	21	18	3	1
%	100%	49%	42%	7%	2%

Al S:	lNT	Betty G:	2 D
Betty W:	2D	Bill B:	1NT
Bob P:	2C	Candace:	2C
Cheryl S:	1NT	Dave: . Why do you open a hand that doesn't have a rebid. But this is too much to pass. Why not open 1NT (the smallest lie you can tell) and pray that partner x-fers to Spades. Or Hearts	1NT
Denny:	1NT	Diane M:	2 C
Donald R:	2C	Doris M:	2 C
Dwayne/Marcia:	2C	Elaine S:	2C
Fran B:	1NT	Francine: Should bid 1NT, but my points are in the minors. Only 4 cards in each though. ?	2C
George R:	2C	Greg F:	1NT

Jackie R:	2C	Jan W:	1NT
Jane E:	1NT	Jeannine:	2C
Joseph H:	2C	Larry M:	1NT
Marge G:	2C	Marilyn H:	1NT
Mark:	1NT	Maureen M: (AAACK-fingers crossed)	1NT
Molly:	1NT	Nancy H:	1NT
Nancy S:	2NT	Nelson F:	1NT
Phil M:	1NT	Rick W:	2C
Robert T:	1NT	Rod G:	1NT
Rusty/Phyllis:	1NT	Sharon B:	2C
Steve C:	2C	Susan D:	2C
Todd N:	2D	Warren T:	2C
Wes L:	1NT		

Q2: North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: Only show a 'feature' when you have a maximum. Bid 3S to show a minimum. (The Pro does not play Ogust, but I am awarding a match to those who bid an Ogust 3C showing partner that you have a weak hand and a weak suit.)

Chat GPT's Response: 3♠ - Playing Ogust, your call should bid 3♠, showing partner that you have a weak hand and a weak suit. This helps partner decide whether to place the contract in 3♠, pass, or explore further if strong. About that 2♠ opening by South, Chat GPT agrees with the Pro: "Most experts today would open 2♠, especially at matchpoints. At IMPs or in very disciplined partnerships, some might pass due to vulnerability and weak suit quality, but the majority would still preempt. Pass gives up the opportunity to get in a cheap obstruction. Your side is unlikely to find game, and opponents might have a fit. First seat white or red, this is a textbook weak 2♠ hand in today's expert style. Not too strong to miss a game, not too weak to avoid preempting. Gets in the way."

However, Chat GPT also noted: "Eric Rodwell would likely PASS, rather than risk going down vulnerable. He favors preserving discipline over taking a below-average preempt at 2. The suit does not meet his quality threshold, and only modest extra values." It also noted that Jeff Meckstroth (Meckwell system) would agree with a pass (he requires 2 of the top 3 honors vulnerable) as would George Boehm.

	Questio	n 2				
Bid	Totals	Pass	3C	3H	35	3NT
#	43	5	2	23	12	1
%	100%	12%	5%	53%	28%	2%

Al S:	3 H	Betty G:	Pass
Betty W:	3 H	Bill B:	3\$
Bob P:	3 H	Candace:	3 H
Cheryl S:	Pass	Dave: Ogust. Bad hand and suit.	3C
Denny: . Feature	3 H	Diane M:	Pass
Donald R:	3S	Doris M:	3\$
Dwayne/Marcia: or 3C if play- ing Ogust	3\$	Elaine S:	3Н
Fran B:	3\$	Francine: if feature ask; 3C if Ogust	3\$
George R: feature	3 H	Greg F:	3Н

Jackie R:	3\$	Jan W:	3 H
Jane E: The hand is not good enough to show a feature.	38	Jeannine:	3Н
Joseph H: (I would not open this hand)	3Н	Larry M:	3Н
Marge G:	3 H	Marilyn H:	3 H
Mark: (feature)	3Н	Maureen M: (or whatever shows a cheeky minimum for this weak2 opener)	3\$
Molly:	3 H	Nancy H:	3 H
Nancy S:	3NT	Nelson F: Don't show a feature without a good preempt.	3\$
Phil M: if that shows no interest in moving forward, or 3C showing weak suit & hand (my agreement).	38	Rick W:	3Н
Robert T:	3Н	Rod G: (in response to "feature ask")	3Н
Rusty/Phyllis: Ogust	3 C	Sharon B:	3Н
Steve C:	3 H	Susan D:	Pass
Todd N:	3\$	Warren T:	3Н
Wes L:	Pass		

Q3: East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

Pros' Answer: Despite 4-card spade support, this hand is not really a maximum.

Bid 25.

Chat GPT's Response: 2♠ - 2♥ is a Jacoby transfer. Even though you have 4-card spade support and a solid 15 HCP, you must accept the transfer with 2♠

Question 3								
Bid	Totals	25	3S	45				
#	43	36	5	2				
%	100%	84%	12%	5%				

Al S:	2S	Betty G:	4 S
Betty W:	2S	Bill B:	2S
Bob P:	2S	Candace:	3S
Cheryl S:	2S	Dave: .	2S
Denny:	2S	Diane M:	2S
Donald R:	3S	Doris M:	2S
Dwayne/Marcia:	2S	Elaine S:	3S
Fran B:	2S	Francine: accepting the transfer	2S
George R:	2S	Greg F:	2S
Jackie R:	4 S	Jan W:	2S
Jane E:	2S	Jeannine:	3S
Joseph H:	2S	Larry M:	2S
Marge G:	2S	Marilyn H:	2S
Mark:	2S	Maureen M: (why do they keep	2S
		asking me to super accept?)	
Moll y :	2S	Nancy H:	2S
Nancy S:	2S	Nelson F:	2S
Phil M:	2S	Rick W:	2S
Robert T:	2S	Rod G: ("super accept")	3S
Rusty/Phyllis:	2S	Sharon B:	2S
Steve C:	2S	Susan D:	2S
Todd N:	2S	Warren T:	2S
Wes L:	2S		

Q4: Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: This hand is a maximum. The best you can do to show a 'feature' is to bid 3C. The important thing is to show the max. (I am giving a match to those who bid an Ogust 3S to show a good hand and good suit.)

<u>Chat GPT's Response</u>: 3 - 0 = Ogust showing a maximum hand with a good suit (2 of top 3 honors). If your partnership is using a feature-showing version of Ogust (common in tournament partnerships), then: 3 - 0 = Maximum with a feature (0 or general side value).

	Questio	n 4						
Bid	Totals	Pass	3C	3D	3H	3S	3NT	4H
#	43	3	14	1	18	2	2	3
%	100%	7%	33%	2%	42%	5%	5%	7%

Al S:	3 C	Betty G:	Pass
Betty W:	3 H	Bill B:	3 C
Bob P:	3 C	Candace:	3 H
Cheryl S:	3 NT	Dave: Ogust. Bad hand, good suit (barely).	3 D
Denny: . Feature. Least bad bid.	3 C	Diane M:	Pass
Donald R:	3 H	Doris M:	3 H
Dwayne/Marcia: or 3S if playing Ogust	4H	Elaine S:	3Н
Fran B:	3C	Francine: if feature ask (maximum); 3S if Ogust	3C
George R:	3 H	Greg F:	3 C
Jackie R:	4H	Jan W:	3 H
Jane E:	3 H	Jeannine:	3 H
Joseph H:	3 H	Larry M:	3 C
Marge G:	3 H	Marilyn H:	3 C
Mark:	3Н	Maureen M: (sure wish I could remember my Ogust re- sponses, and not fair not giving me an outside control!)	3\$
Molly:	3 H	Nancy H:	3 H

Nancy S:	Pass	Nelson F: Feature Asking response. 3S (Good hand and good suit) in Ogust.	3C
Phil M: showing extra in C's and interest in game, or 3S showing good hand & suit in my agreement.	3C	Rick W:	3C
Robert T:	3 H	Rod G:	4H
Rusty/Phyllis: Ogust	3S	Sharon B:	3 H
Steve C:	3 H	Susan D:	3 NT
Todd N:	3 C	Warren T:	3 C
Wes L:	3 H		

Q5: North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: A max for sure, but you need 4-card support to bid more than 2S. Bid 2S.

Chat GPT's Response: 2♠ – The Best Practical Bid: Communicates minimum support (3 cards) and lets partner decide; and it keeps the contract low if partner is weak, as many may be after a 1NT opening. 2NT Super-Accept (Modern Treatment) is valid in some partnerships with clear agreements. It allows nuanced follow-ups via retransfer systems. However, it's risky because if partner is broke, 2NT can get you too high, especially at matchpoints.

	Questio					
Bid	Totals	15	2C	2S	3H	4H
#	43	30	2	9	1	1
%	100%	70%	5%	21%	2%	2%

A1 S:	2S	Betty G:	2S
Betty W:	3S	Bill B:	2S
Bob P:	3\$	Candace:	3\$
Cheryl S:	2S	Dave: .	2S
Denny:	2S	Diane M:	3\$
Donald R:	2S	Doris M:	2S
Dwayne/Marcia:	2S	Elaine S:	4 S
Fran B:	2S	Francine: accepting the transfer	2S
George R:	2S	Greg F:	2S
Jackie R:	2S	Jan W:	2S
Jane E:	2S	Jeannine:	2S
Joseph H:	2S	Larry M:	2S
Marge G:	2S	Marilyn H:	2S
Mark:	2S	Maureen M: (stop it!)	2S
Molly:	2S	Nancy H:	2S
Nancy S:	4 S	Nelson F:	2S
Phil M: showing max hand and S	38	Rick W:	2S
fit (not my style, I would still bid			
2S at table)			
Robert T:	2S	Rod G:	2S

Rusty/Phyllis:	2\$	Sharon B:	2S
Steve C:	2S	Susan D:	2S
Todd N:	3NT	Warren T:	2 S
Wes L:	2\$		

Q6: East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

What call would you make?

Pros' Answer: This might be a great dummy for hearts but bid 1S for now. Support hearts at your next turn.

<u>Chat GPT's Response:</u> 1♠ - You have 15 HCP and 4 spades, so show your unbid 4-card suit at the one-level with 1♠. This keeps the auction low and describes your shape clearly.

A1 S:	1S	Betty G:	1 S
Betty W:	1 S	Bill B:	2S
Bob P:	3 H	Candace:	2S
Cheryl S:	4H	Dave: .	1 S
Denny: . By agreement, reverse	2S	Diane M:	1S
rather than strong jump shift.			
Donald R:	1S	Doris M:	1S
Dwayne/Marcia:	1S	Elaine S:	2S
Fran B:	2S	Francine: will support Hs next	1S
George R:	2C	Greg F:	1 S
Jackie R:	2S	Jan W:	1 S
Jane E:	1 S	Jeannine:	1 S
Joseph H:	1 S	Larry M:	1 S
Marge G:	2S	Marilyn H:	1S
Mark:	1S	Maureen M: (would be different	1S
		if P was a passed hand)	
Molly: .	18	Nancy H:	18
Nancy S:	1S	Nelson F: Not strong enough to	1S
		jump to 3C, which would be forc-	
		ing to game.	
Phil M: planning to raise H's next.	1S	Rick W:	1S
Robert T:	18	Rod G:	2C
Rusty/Phyllis:	2S	Sharon B:	1 S
Steve C:	2S	Susan D:	1 S
Todd N:	1S	Warren T:	1S
Wes L:	1 S		

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Recap of Weekly Bridge Quiz #29 Bids - 2025								
#	Name	1	2	3	4	5	6	
	Expert:	1NT	35	25	3C	25	15	Total Matches
	Expert2:		3C		3S			iviatories
1	AI S:	1NT	3H	2S	3C	2S	15	5
2	Betty G:	2D	Pass	45	Pass	2S	15	2
3	Betty W:	2D	3H	2S	3H	3S	15	2
4	Bill B:	1NT	3S	2S	3C	2S	2S	5
5	Bob P:	2C	3H	2S	3C	3S	3H	2
6	Candace:	2C	3H	3S	3H	3S	2S	0
7	Cheryl S:	1NT	Pass	2S	3NT	2S	4H	3
8	Dave:	1NT	3C	2S	3D	2S	15	5
9	Denny:	1NT	3H	2S	3C	2S	2S	4
10	Diane M:	2C	Pass	2S	Pass	3S	15	2
11	Donald R:	2C	35	3S	3H	2S	15	3
12	Doris M:	2C	3S	2S	3H	2S	1 S	4
13	Dwayne/Marcia:	2C	3S	2S	4H	2S	15	4
14	Elaine S:	2C	3H	3S	3H	4S	2S	0
15	Fran B:	1NT	3S	2S	3C	2S	2S	5
16	Francine:	2C	3S	2S	3C	2S	15	5
17	George R:	2C	3H	2S	3H	2S	2C	2
18	Greg F:	1NT	3H	2S	3C	2S	15	5
19	Jackie R:	2C	3S	45	4H	2S	2S	2
20	Jan W:	1NT	3H	2S	3H	2S	15	4
21	Jane E:	1NT	3S	2S	3H	2S	1 S	5
22	Jeannine:	2C	3H	3S	3H	2S	15	2
23	Joseph H:	2C	3H	2S	3H	2S	1 S	3
24	Larry M:	1NT	3H	2S	3C	2S	1 S	5
25	Marge G:	2C	3H	2S	3H	2S	2S	2
26	Marilyn H:	1NT	3H	2S	3C	2S	15	5
27	Mark:	1NT	3H	2S	3H	2S	1 S	4
28	Maureen M:	1NT	3S	2S	3S	2S	15	6
29	Molly:	1NT	3H	2S	3H	2S	15	4
30	Nancy H:	1NT	3H	2S	3H	2S	15	4
31	Nancy S:	2NT	3NT	2S	Pass	45	15	2
32	Nelson F:	1NT	3S	2S	3C	2S	1 S	6
33	Phil M:	1NT	3S	2S	3C	3S	15	5
34	Rick W:	2C	3H	2S	3C	2S	1 S	4
35	Robert T:	1NT	3H	2S	3H	2S	1 S	4
36	Rod G:	1NT	3H	3S	4H	2S	2C	2

37	37 Rusty/Phyllis:	1NT	3C	2S	3S	2S	2S	5
38	Sharon B:	2C	3H	2S	3H	2S	15	3
39	Steve C:	2C	3H	2S	3H	2S	2S	2
40	Susan D:	2C	Pass	2S	3NT	2S	1 S	3
41	Todd N:	2D	3S	2S	3C	3NT	1 S	4
42	Warren T:	2C	3H	2S	3C	2S	15	4
43	Wes L:	1NT	Pass	2S	3H	2S	1 S	4