

Responses to 1 Spade Opening Bid (opener holds 5+spades and 12-21 HCPs)																			
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																	
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Strong (Jump-Shift)			Max				
#1 Support Spades (use Dist Pts)	3-spades	Pass	2♠			3♠			4♠			3 NT						4♣ (Gerber)	
	4+spades		4♠ *			2 NT (Jacoby)													
	5+spades *																		
#2 Propose Hearts (no Dist Pts)	4+hearts	1 NT	2♥						3♥										
#3 Propose Better Minor (no Dist Pts)	4+cards Better Minor	1 NT	2♣ or 2♦						3♣ or 3♦										
Combined Partnership Points (assume opener has only 12 HCPs)		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	
		Partial Score						Game Major & NT						Game Minor		Slam			

Opening bid: 1♠ Response Priority #1

### Response Options to Support Spades (responder has 3+Spades)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠ 13-16 pts	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠ 10-12 pts	3 NT 17-20 pts
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠ 6-9 pts	2 NT 13-16 pts
1♠				1 NT

Opening bid: 1♠ Response Priority #2

### Response Options to Propose Other Major (responder has 4+Hearts)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥ 17-20 HCPs	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥ 10-16 HCPs	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♠				1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Opening bid: 1♠

### Response Options to Propose Better Minor (responder has 4+card Minor)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 17-20 HCPs	3♦ 17-20 HCPs	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣ 10-16 HCPs	2♦ 10-16 HCPs	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♠				1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Responses to 1 Heart Opening Bid (opener holds 5+ hearts and 12-21 HCPs)																																																				
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																																																		
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22																																	
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)			Moderate			Medium			Strong (Jump-Shift)			Max																																					
#1 Support <b>Hearts</b> (use Dist Pts)	3-hearts	Pass	2♥			3♥			4♥			3 NT						4♣ (Gerber)																																		
	4+hearts		4♥*			2 NT (Jacoby)																																														
	5+hearts*		1♠						2♠																																											
#2 Propose <b>Spades</b> (no Dist Pts)	4+spades	1 NT										2♣ or 2♦			3♣ or 3♦																																					
#3 Propose <b>Better Minor</b> (no Dist Pts)	4+cards Better Minor	18			19			20			21			22			23			24			25			26			27			28			29			30			31			32			33			34		
Combined Partnership Points (assume opener has only 12 HCPs)		Partial Score						Game Major & NT						Game Minor						Slam																																

Opening bid: **1♥** Response Priority #1

### Response Options to Support Hearts (responder has 3+Hearts)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥ 13-16 pts	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥ 10-12 pts	3♠	3 NT 17-20 pts
2♣	2♦	2♥ 6-9 pts	2♠	2 NT 13-16 pts
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

Opening bid: **1♥** Response Priority #2

### Response Options to Propose Other Major (responder has 4+Spades)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠ 17-20 HCPs	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠ 6-16 HCPs	1 NT

Opening bid: **1♥**

### Response Options to Propose Better Minor (responder has 4+card Minor)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣ 17-20 HCPs	3♦ 17-20 HCPs	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣ 10-16 HCPs	2♦ 10-16 HCPs	2♥	2♠	2 NT
6 to 9 HCPs 1-over-1 barrier to new suit				
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT 6-9 HCPs

Responses to 1 Diamond Opening Bid (opener has NO 5+card major, 12-21 HCPs and 3+diamonds)																							
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bids																					
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22				
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)				Moderate			Medium			Strong (Jump-Shift)				Max						
#1 Propose Major Suit (no Dist Pts)	Better 4+card major	Pass	1♥ or 1♠										2♥ or 2♠				4♣ (Gerber)						
#2 Propose NT (no Dist Pts)	(3-3-4-3)		1 NT										3 NT										
#3 Support Diamonds (use Dist Pts)	5+diamonds		2♦			3♦			2 NT			5♦ or 3 NT											
#3 Propose Clubs (no Dist Pts)	4+clubs		1 NT			2♣			3♣														
Combined Partnership Points (assume opener has only 12 HCPs)		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34					
		Partial Score						Game Major & NT						Game Minor				Slam					

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #1

### Response Options to Propose Better Major (responder has 4+Major)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♦ (6-16 HCPs) 1♥ (6-16 HCPs) 2♣ (6-16 HCPs) 1 NT

Opening bid: 1♦ Response Priority #2

### Response Options to Propose No Trump (responder has 3-3-4-3)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♦ (6-16 HCPs) 1♥ 1♠ 1 NT (6-16 HCPs)

Opening bid: 1♦

### Response Options to Support Diamonds (responder has 5+Diamonds)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♦ (6-16 HCPs) 1♥ 1♠ 1 NT (6-16 HCPs)

Opening bid: 1♦

### Response Options to Propose Clubs (responder has 4+Clubs)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♦ (6-9 HCPs) 1♥ 1♠ 1 NT (6-9 HCPs)

Responses to 1 Club Opening Bid (opener has NO 5+card major, 12-21 HCPs and 3+clubs)																							
SAYC Priority	Responder's Suit Length	Responder's HCPs and Bid																					
		0-5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22				
		Pass	Weak (1 over 1)				Moderate				Medium				Strong (Jump-Shift)				Max				
#1 Propose Major Suit (no Dist Pts)	Better 4+card major	Pass	1♥ or 1♠										2♥ or 2♠										4♣ (Gerber)
#2 Propose NT (no Dist Pts)	(3-3-3-4)		1 NT										3 NT										
#3 Support Clubs (use Dist Pts)	5+clubs		2♣				3♣				2 NT				5♣ or 3 NT								
#3 Propose Diamonds (no Dist Pts)	4+diamonds		1♦										2♦										
Combined Partnership Points (assume opener has only 12 HCPs)		18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34					
		Partial Score						Game Major & NT						Game Minor				Slam					

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #1

### Response Options to Propose Better Major

(responder has 4+Major)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♣ 1♦ 1♥ 2♣ 1 NT

Opening bid: 1♣ Response Priority #2

### Response Options to Propose No Trump

(responder has 3-3-3-4)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

1♣ 1♦ 1♥ 1♠ 1 NT

Opening bid: 1♣

### Response Options to Support Clubs

(responder has 5+Clubs)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit

Opening bid: 1♣

### Response Options to Propose Diamonds

(responder has 4+Diamonds)

7♣	7♦	7♥	7♠	7 NT
6♣	6♦	6♥	6♠	6 NT
5♣	5♦	5♥	5♠	5 NT
4♣	4♦	4♥	4♠	4 NT
3♣	3♦	3♥	3♠	3 NT
2♣	2♦	2♥	2♠	2 NT
1♣	1♦	1♥	1♠	1 NT

6 to 9 HCPs  
1-over-1 barrier to new suit