Bidding Two-Suited Hands II (Responder)

Responder uses a similar bidding sequence to show hand distribution as Opener (see previous lesson). Here are some guidelines.

General Guidelines (same as Opener)

- Plan rebid prior to making first bid
- Longer suit first
- Rebid of 1st suit shows 6+ cards (unless no better bid)
- Rebid of 2nd suit shows 5+cards (and 5+ cards in 1st suit)

Responder Guidelines

- Bid majors "up the line" when holding only 4-card suits
- Bypass 4-card suit
- Longer suit first or with 5-5 bid higher ranking suit first

Common Exceptions

- 2-level response shows 10+ points & 5+cards (unless no better bid)
- 2♥ response to 1♥ guarantees 5+cards
- Bypass 5-card
 suit if holding a 4-card major and less than good invitational values

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Examples:

Quiz 22

Your partner is the dealer and opens with the bid shown in (a.) Choose your response and enter it in (b.). Assume Opener <u>rebids her suit</u>; fill in (c.) with your rebid.

| | Your Hand | Bid Rebids | | Your Hand | Bid Rebids | | Your Hand | Bid Rebids |
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| 1. | ♣ 4 ♥ AQJT2 ♦ JT743 ♣ AQ | a. 1♠ b c | 2. | ♣ 83 ♥ Q ♦ AK763 ♣ AQJT3 | a. 1♥ b c | 3. | ₱ 96754 ● AT ● 6 ● AKQ83 | a. 1 ∳ b c |
| 4. | ▲ QJT84 ♥ K7653 ◆ AQ ◆ 7 | a. 1 🔶 b c | 5. | ↑ T7 ▼ T9 ◆ AJT4 ◆ KQJT3 | a. 1♠ b c | 6. | ₱ ₱ ₱ ₱ ₽ ₽ | a. 1♠ b c |
| 7. | ♣ 8 ♥ QJT8 ▲ AQ876 ♣ KJ9 | a. 1 ∳ b c | 8. | AQJT94 JT32 7 A7 | a. 1♦ b c | 9. | AKQT 97653 AQJ 7 | a. 1 ∳ b c |