Overcalls II

Your partner has overcalled in a major suit but you don't have support, i.e. 3-cards or more in her suit is support, so now you must decide between Pass, introducing your suit or NT.

Suit Overcall Advances:

Remember there is <u>no requirement to bid</u> when your partner makes an overcall. Evaluate your hand as you would when opening the bidding.

	Cards in Your Suit	Points	Advance	Forcing?
	4	0-9	Pass	N/A
Major Suit Overcall Advance Without Support	4	10+	Bid NT (1+ stoppers in Opener's suit)	No
	5	10+	Bid suit w/o raising level	1-round
	5+	12+	Bid suit	See Box Below

2/1 or 2/2 Advances:	A 1-over-1 advance is recommended as a 1-round force. 2-over- 1 and 2-over-2 advances are recommended as Non-Forcing (NF) Constructive.			
NT Advances:	With a singleton or void in partner's (Overcaller's suit), be conservative when deciding to bid NT and the NT level.			

Quiz 4

LHO opens the bidding with 1♦ and your partner overcalls 1♥. Fill in your call as Advancer after RHO Passes and indicate if it is forcing (F) or non-forcing (NF).

	Your Hand	Call		Your Hand	Call
1.	🛦 AKJ		2.	▲ KQT962	
	♥ 63			♥ 9	
	♦ JT42			♦ T98	
	🛧 T983			🜲 KJT	
3.	▲ T7		4.	♦ QJ8	
	♥ 78			♥ A9	
	♦ AQ9432			♦ AJ8	
	♣ 643			🕭 KJT94	

The opening bid is 1♠, partner overcalls 2♥, and your right-hand opponent Passes. What is your call? Indicate if it forcing (F) or non-forcing (NF).

		Your Hand	Call		Your Hand	Call
5	5.	♣ QT862		6.	▲ J96	
		♥ К			¥	
		♦ QT3			♦ A87642	
		\Lambda KT84			♣ JT64	
7	7.	▲ 762		8.	♠ QJ	
		♥ 6			♥ 7	
		♦ AKQT42			♦ KQ875	
		♣ Q84			AT872	