

What does 2NT mean?

In this specific auction...

We all know the same bid means different things in different auctions.

Tonight we are going to explore the bid of 2NT and what it means in a variety of auctions.

Give yourself 1 point for each correct answer.

Question 1

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
2NT			

What does an opening bid of 2NT show?
(Two things)

Answer 1

You LHO Partner RHO
2NT

- 1) You should be BALANCED
- 2) 20 or 21 HCP -- some partnerships play a different range but it does show a SPECIFIC range

Question 2

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1NT	Pass	2NT	

Playing SAYC what does a response to an opening bid of 1NT show?
(Two things)

Answer 2

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1NT	Pass	2NT	

- 1) No four or five card major we want to tell our Partner about
- 2) A good 8 to 9 HCP

Question 3

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT			

What does a 2NT rebid show after an opening 2♣ bid?

(Two things)

Answer 3

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
2NT			

- 1) Balanced Hand
- 2) 22-24 HCP

Question 4

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♠	2NT		

What does a 2NT bid by the Opponents show after an opening 1♠ bid?
(Two things)

Answer 4

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♠	2NT		

- 1) This should show at least five cards in both MINORS
- 2) Either a weak hand (up to 8 HCP) or a strong hand (16+ HCP).

Question 5

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT			

What does a 2NT rebid show after an opening 1♣ bid and a response from Partner?
(Four things)

Answer 5

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
2NT			

- 1) Opener does NOT have four ♥
- 2) Opener does NOT have four ♠
- 3) Opener has a BALANCED hand
- 4) Opener has 18 or 19 HCP

Question 6

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2NT			

What does a 2NT rebid show after an opening 1♥ bid and a 2 level response from Partner?
(Shows 1 thing, Denies 1 thing)

Answer 6

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	Pass	2♣	Pass
2NT			

- 1) MINIMUM opening hand (up to 14 HCP)
- 2) Opener does NOT have six♥

Question 7

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	2♣	Pass	2NT

What does a 2NT rebid show after 2 level overcall from Partner?
(2 things)

Answer 7

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	2♣	Pass	2NT

- 1) 11 or 12 HCP
- 2) Stopper in the ♥ suit!

Question 8

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	2♣	2NT	

What does a 2NT response show after a 2 level overcall from the Opponents?
(3 things)

Answer 8

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	2♣	2NT	

- 1) 11 or 12 HCP
- 2) A stopper in the Opponents suit (♣)
- 3) Partner most likely does NOT have a ♥ fit

Question 9

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
2♥	Pass	2NT	

What does a 2NT response by Partner show after a weak 2 bid?
(1 thing)

Answer 9

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
2♥	Pass	2NT	

1) Playing SAYC this asks for a FEATURE – An outside Ace or King.

(Some play it as asking about hand quality – either is correct as long as you and Partner are in agreement)

Question 10

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	Double	Pass	2NT

What does a 2NT response by Advancer show after a Take Out Double?
(3 things)

Answer 10

You	LHO	Partner	RHO
1♥	Double	Pass	2NT

- 1) Advancer should have a BALANCED hand
- 2) 11 or 12 HCP
- 3) A stopper in Opener's suit (♥)
- 4) Most likely does NOT have ♠ but with bad ♠ and very good stoppers in ♥ just might.

How'd you do?

16+ – Excellent bidding skills – You know your 2NTs for sure!

14-15 – Nice!

12-13 – Not so bad – a review might be in order

10-11 – Some tricky ones – try taking the quiz another day

<10 – Study the responses – NTs mean different things at different times and come up often!

GOOD LUCK TONIGHT!

