

Quiz 2 Answers

Do you make an opening bid with the following hands and, if so, what do you open?

(1) ♠ 7
♥ Q 9 7 6 3
♦ A K 7 3
♣ J 10 2

(2) ♠ A Q 9 7
♥ 7 6
♦ A Q 9 8 3
♣ A 10

(3) ♠ 6
♥ K J 10 9 6
♦ A Q 5 3 2
♣ A 8

(4) ♠ 8 6
♥ A J 8 7
♦ K J 7
♣ A K 7 2

(5) ♠ A K Q 8 6 4
♥ 7 5
♦ Q 9 5 4
♣ 10

(6) ♠ Q 9 6 4 2
♥ A K Q 9 5
♦ A 9
♣ 7

(7) ♠ K 8
♥ 9 7 6 4 2
♦ A K Q
♣ A 10 2

(8) ♠ 5
♥ Q J 9 8 4 3
♦ K Q 9 4
♣ A Q

ANSWERS & NOTES

1. **Pass** 10 HCP. You are not strong enough to open the bidding.

2. **1♦** 16 HCP . Open your longest suit.

3. **1♥** 14 HCP . Open the higher-ranking 5-card suit.

4. **1♣** 16 HCP . Open the lower-ranking 4-card suit.

5. **1♠** Open your longest suit.

6. **1♠** 15 HCP . Open the higher-ranking 5-card suit. The fact that ♥ are much stronger than ♠ is not relevant.

7. **Pass** Open 1♥. Don't worry about the quality of the suit. It's the quantity that matters and it is your longest suit.

8. **1♥** 14 HCP Open your longest suit.