## Back to Bridge Basics--Answers

| You | Opponent <br> 10 | Partner <br> 14 |
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| Pass |

1. How many clubs do you guarantee? 3
2. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$
3. What is partner's point range? $\qquad$ $6+$
4. Is 14 a forcing* bid? $\qquad$ yes

| You | Opponent <br> 1 | Partner <br> 14 | Opponent <br> Pass |
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1. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 4
2. Could partner have more spades than that? yes
3. What is partner's point range? $6+$
4. Is $1 \pm$ a forcing bid? $\qquad$

| You | Opponent | Partner | Opponent |
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| $1 \leqslant$ | 10 | $1 \leqslant$ | Pass |

1. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 5
2. What is partner's point range? $\qquad$ $6+$
3. Is 14 a forcing bid? $\qquad$ yes

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| 14 | 14 | $2 \psi$ | Pass |

1. How many hearts does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 5
2. What is partner's point range? 10+
3. Is 2 a forcing bid? $\qquad$ yes

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1. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 6
2. What is partner's point range? 0-5
3. Is $2 \mathbf{4}$ a forcing bid? no

4. How many hearts does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 4
5. Could he have more than that? $\qquad$ yes
6. What is partner's point range? 8+
7. How many hearts do you have to have to bid $2 \boldsymbol{\%}$ $\qquad$ 4

8. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 4
9. Could he have more than that? no
10. What is partner's point range? 6+
11. How many spades do you have to have to bid $1 \leqslant ?$ $\qquad$

| You | Opponent | Partner | Opponent |
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| 1N | Pass | 14 | Pass |
| 1NT | Pass | $2 \psi$ | Pass |

1. How many spades does partner guarantee? $\qquad$ 5
2. How many hearts does partner guarantee? 4
3. What is partner's point range? $\qquad$ 6-10
4. Is $2=$ forcing? $\qquad$ no
5. If you have 2 spades and 4 hearts, what should you do? $\qquad$ pass
6. If you have 3 spades and 3 hearts. what should you do? bid 2S
7. If you have 2 spades and 3 hearts, what should you do? bid 2 S

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| 1NT | Pass | $2 \psi$ | Pass |
| 24 | Pass | $2 N T$ | Pass |

1. How many spades does partner have? $\qquad$ 5
2. What is partner's point range? $\qquad$ 8-9
3. If you have 3 spades and 17 points, what should you do? $\qquad$ bid 4S
4. If you have 3 spades and 15 points, what should you do? bid 3S
5. If you have 2 spades and 17 points, what should you do? bid 3NT
6. If you have 2 spades and 15 points, what should you do? $\qquad$

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| Pass | $1 *$ | $X$ | Pass |
| $1 \leqslant$ | Pass | 2 | Pass |

1. What is partner's point range? 17+
2. How many spades do you guarantee? 4
3. What is your point range? 0-8
4. How many spades does partner have? 0-3
5. How many clubs does partner guarantee? $\qquad$

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| 14 | Pass | $1 N T$ | Pass |
| 24 | Pass | $3 \$$ | Pass |

1. What is partner's point range? 6-10
2. How many spades does partner have? 0-1
3. How many clubs does partner have? $6+$
4. Is 3 forcing? $\qquad$

## It's All About the Numbers

What is the significance of these numbers in bridge? You know this

| 5 | 6 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 13 |
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| 20 | 25 | 29 | 33 | 36 | 40 |

*Forcing=Partner has forced you to bid again. You may not pass.

