

## Bob Jones June 3 Quiz

Goren on Bridge: Weekly bridge quiz

GOREN BRIDGE JUNE 3, 2023

Q1 – Neither vulnerable

♠J 9 6 5 2 ♥Void ♦K J 7 6 ♣A 8 6 5

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

P P ?

What call would you make?

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable

♠10 8 7 6 4 2 ♥A 10 4 ♦Q 4 ♣A Q

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

1NT Pass ?

What call would you make?

Q 5 – North-South vulnerable

♠A Q J 10 ♥K J ♦Q 7 6 ♣Q 9 5 3

WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

1♠ Pass 1NT ?

What call would you make?

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable

♠J 8 6 4 ♥Q 8 4 2 ♦8 6 ♣8 7 4

NORTH EAST SOUTH WEST

1♣ 1♦ Pass 1♠

2♥ 3♦ ?

What call would you make?

Q 4 – Both vulnerable

♠9 3 ♥Q ♦K Q J 10 6 ♣K 10 8 6 4

EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH

1♥ 2♦ Pass 2♥\*

Pass ?

\*Diamond fit, at least invitational values

What call would you make?

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable

♠5 ♥K Q 6 5 3 2 ♦8 ♣A K 10 6 4

EAST SOUTH WEST NORTH

1♣ 1♥ Pass 1♠

Pass 2♣ Pass 2♦

Pass ?

What call would you make?

Look for answers on Monday.

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### Question 1

Q1 – Neither vulnerable

♠J9652 ♥– ♦KJ76 ♣A865

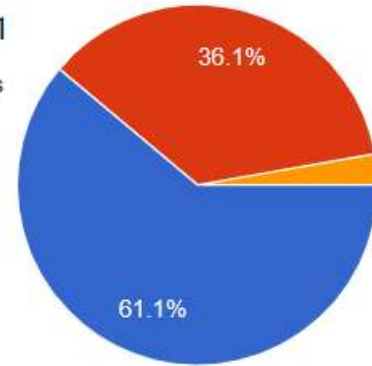
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P P ?

### Question 1

36 responses

● Pass  
● 1S  
● 2S



Bob Jones **Pass** You might be able to get in later if the opponents try to buy it at a low level in hearts. Also, you don't want to induce a spade lead. Pass.

Steve Vogel **1♠** We start off with a close one. I dislike opening a suit in 3<sup>rd</sup> seat that I would not want partner to lead if the opponents buy the contract. Still, this hand has decent offensive power if partner has a fit. Of course, the one response I would hate to hear is 2♥. Oh well, you take your chances, and you get what you get.

Joe Muenks **Pass** Epl's, even in a bidding quiz where often many claim actions I hope they don't take at the table this is a clear pass. If it gets passed out, you'll score fine. If it goes p-p-p-1♥-p-2♥ then you can double.

Bob Fisk **1♠** This is probably the minimum hand I'll open in third seat, but we aren't vulnerable, and there's some preemptive value in opening 1♠. Now for my rebidding plans: (1) I'll pass any raise or bid 2♠ over any Drury bid, (2) I'll bid 2♣ if partner bids a semi-forcing 1NT figuring that either partner will pass 2♣ or bid 2♦ which I'll pass, and (3) I'll rebid 2♠ if partner bids 2♥ over 1♠. Partner can't have a weak hand w/ 6+ Hearts, since partner didn't open 2♥.

Steve Moese **1♠** This is a fine 3<sup>rd</sup> seat opening bid. Note: If the hand had a better spade suit, say KJ965 Void J762 A865 (same high cards) I would venture a weak 2♠ opening bid. When my 5-card suit looks more like a 4-card suit, one is enough.

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### Question 2

Q 2 – North-South vulnerable

♠J 8 6 4 ♥Q 8 4 2 ♦8 6 ♣8 7 4

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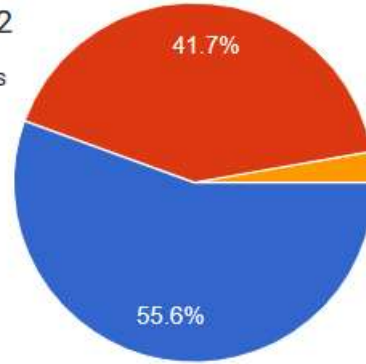
1♣ 1♦ Pass 1♠

2♥ 3♦ ?

### Question 2

36 responses

● Pass  
● 3H  
● 4H



Bob Jones **Pass** Partner has a good hand, but you can only expect four hearts from him. This is not enough to compete. Pass.

Steve Vogel **3♥** Partner reversed, vulnerable, facing a partner with known weakness. With my Queen-fourth support, I have to make a noise.

Joe Muenks **3♥** I'd show hearts and weakness (no 1♥ the first time) here. Partner might need to count defensive tricks so knowing this length is important. Usually, partner has very long clubs in this auction or a 5<sup>th</sup> heart, since a double of 1♠ is 17+ with 4 hearts and more square.

Bob Fisk **4♥** I'd feel cowardly bidding only 3♥ here. Picture partner with xx AKxx x AQJxxx. We're on a finesse for 4♥, and that's partner's minimum hand (i.e., partner rebid at unfavorable vulnerability at the three level in an auction where neither opponent had sufficiently limited their hand).

Steve Moese **3♥** Partner has made a reverse showing either great strength or great shape or both. Since I would have doubled or bid 1♥ with as much as 2 queens at my first turn, partner will not expect the world from my hand. I imagine partner will come alive and bid 4 with something like x AK109 Kx AKJ1032 but pass with lesser hands (Imagine x KJ10xx x KQJ10xx). Partner knows that I have 4 heart cards and did not double or bid the first time around.

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### Question 3

Q 3 – East-West vulnerable

♠T 8 7 6 4 2 ♥A T 4 ♦Q 4 ♣A Q

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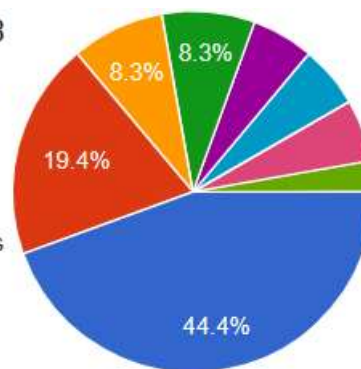
1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass

1NT Pass ?

### Question 3

36 responses

● 2D ● 4S  
● 4H ● 3H  
● 2H ● Pass  
● 2C ● 3S



Bob Jones **2♣** Spades or hearts? It is too soon to tell. Bid 2♣, the “new” minor on this auction, and see what partner bids. It might help you decide.

Steve Vogel **2♦** (XYZ artificial game force) The key question is whether to invite game or to force to game. My partners and I will not open 11 point 5-3-3-2 hands, so partner’s 1NT rebid shows at least 12 points. I will choose to be aggressive and bid 2♦ (game forcing) to allow partner to show 3-card spade support if he/she has it. If not, then we will play in 4♥.

Joe Muenks **4♥** Do not utilize XYZ if you already know the final contract like here. Even if partner has some spades, she did not rebid hearts so should get more pitches on spades than we’ll get on hearts.

Bob Fisk **2♦** (XYZ). Bid 2♦ as a game force and see what partner has to say. If partner bids 2♠ showing 3-5-3/2 shape, we’ll be in 4♠. If partner doesn’t bid 2♠, then partner is exactly 2-5-3-3, and the hand will play better in 4♥.

Steve Moese **2♦** Artificial game force. XYZ. I am willing to force game in either major (or NT if partner volunteers that). I expect partner to be 2=5=3=3 most of the time (S=H=D=C). 4♥ can make if partner can get 2 ruffs in my hand. 1♠ might also set up well. I like our chances.

Note, if you play new minor forcing, then you need to bid 2♣ to see if partner has 3 spade cards. If so, choose spades. If not, then offer 4♥ as 3NT will have trouble with a minor suit attack.

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### Question 4

Q 4 – Both vulnerable

♠9 3 ♥Q ♦K Q J T 6 ♣K T 8 6 4

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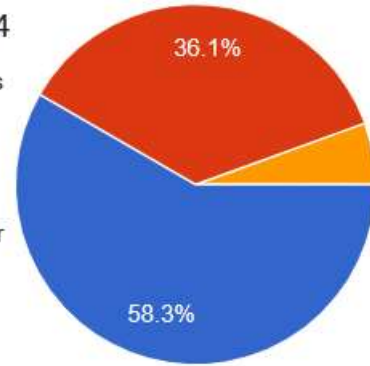
1♥ 2♦ Pass 2♥

Pass ?

### Question 4

36 responses

● 3D  
● 3C  
● No Answer



Bob Jones 3♣ Bids below 3♦ do not show extras – they are just descriptive. Bid 3♣.

Steve Vogel 3♣ Despite my minimum hand, I have great shape and game is possible. Still, partner needs to hold some key cards like the ♦A, ♣A or ♣Q doubleton, and a spade holding that holds our losers to one in that suit (or perhaps the A♥). I will make one try with a 3♣ rebid, and hope that partner has enough to bid game. If not, I will pass partner's 3♦ rebid or will sign off in 4♦.

Joe Muenks 3♦ Consider your criteria for a 2 level vulnerable overcall, usually a good opener and good 5 card suit or 6+ cards with 10/11 HCP. This is not a good overcall so do not encourage partner with a staid 12 to bid a game since you'll never have less than this assortment.

Bob Fisk N/A I'm going to spend this time looking around the room for my lost 2NT card.

Steve Moese 3♣ Though I am wondering why I didn't bid 2NT at my first call. I prefer 2NT (and Michaels 2-suit bids) to fall within our overcall range (8-18 or so) and dislike split range bids. Two suit bids in competition work for us when we buy the auction and against us when we don't. Nancy Sachs used to say that her Michaels cuebids were always opening hands. Something to think about.

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### Question 5

Q 5 – North-South vulnerable

♠A Q J T ♥K J ♦Q 7 6 ♣Q 9 5 3

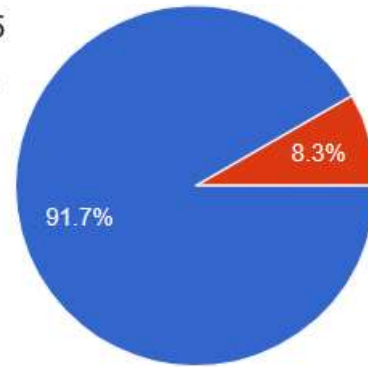
WEST NORTH EAST SOUTH

1♠ Pass 1NT ?

### Question 5

36 responses

● Pass  
● Double



Bob Jones **Pass** There is nothing sensible to do. Pass.

Steve Vogel **Pass** If I were to contemplate entering the bidding, what would I bid? Best to pass and hope the opponents get too high.

Joe Muenks **Pass** Epls. I can't fathom anyone even dreaming up a bid here. The last time I thought it'd be more than 90% concurrence it was only 85%. I'm going 95% this time.

Bob Fisk **Pass** Of course. 100%?

Steve Moese **Pass** Pass - and very much in tempo. I have done my thinking before my partner's turn to bid so no need to hesitate when it's my turn. Pass is automatic, expecting to defend. The hand might be worth 14-15 HCP but 2NT is too rich when strength is to our left.

Double for me is out of the question. I need support for the three non-spade suits or a very strong hand - I do not have either.

## Bob Jones June 3 Quiz

### Question 6

Q 6 – East-West vulnerable

♠5 ♥K Q 6 5 3 2 ♦8 ♣A K T 6 4

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1♣ 1♥ Pass 1♠

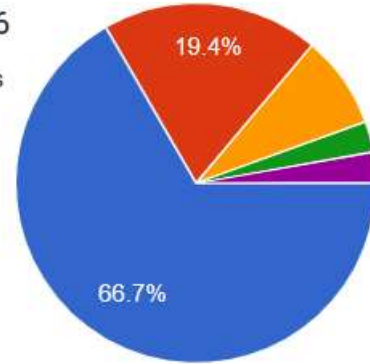
Pass 2♣ Pass 2♦

Pass ?

### Question 6

36 responses

- 2H
- 3C
- 3H
- 2NT
- 4H



Bob Jones 2♥ We may be in trouble, and I believe it is best to rebid my 6-card heart suit and hope for the best.

Steve Vogel 2♥ We may be in trouble, and I believe it is best to rebid my 6-card heart suit and hope for the best.

Joe Muenks 2♥ This hand is a disaster. Your 2♣ should be a maximum 3 card spade raise, like 14 HCP. 2♦ is forcing so try to rebid your hearts and take your punishment when partner jumps to 4♠, oh my. Just bid 2♥ the first time over partner's 1♠ to clue him in what's going on. If he has diamonds he'll pass knowing there's a mismatch happening.

Bob Fisk 2♥ Partner could still hold Axxxx J Axxxx xx. That would be sweet!

Steve Moese 3♣ 3♣ says I am at least 5-5 and have no interest in North's suit. 2♥ is an option but we might get dumped there when 4♥ is on. Besides, I'd rebid 2♥ on 1=5=3=4 hands. 6-5 come alive. (aside - there is value here for rebidding 2♥ and not 3♣. If partner passes we are in a good spot. If partner continues 2♠, we can rebid 3♣ showing natural clubs and great shape. With a spade fit and game intentions, we raise immediately). 2♣ here sounds too much like a forcing 3-card spade raise - experts do that. For me, 2♦ is artificial and forcing. It is never natural. So, I describe my shape.

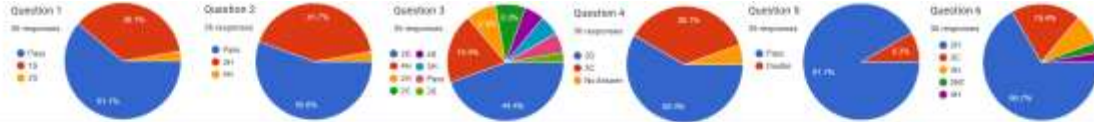
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Bob Jones	Pass	Pass	2♣	3♣	Pass	3♣
Steve Vogel	1♠	3♥	2♦	3♣	Pass	2♥
Joe Muenks	Pass	3♥	4♥	3♦	Pass	2♥
Bob Fisk	1♠	4♥	2♦	N/A	Pass	2♥
Steve Moese	1♠	3♥	2♦	3♣	Pass	3♣
Al Venosa	1♠	Pass	2♦	3♣	Pass	2♥
AnnR	1♠	Pass	2♦	3♣	X	3♣
Bob K	Pass	Pass	2♦	3♣	Pass	2♥
Carol Wilson	Pass	Pass	Pass	3♦	Pass	2♥
Cecilia	Pass	3♥	4♠	N/A	Pass	3♥
Chuck	Pass	Pass	Pass	3♦	Pass	2♥
Dave	Pass	Pass	3♠	3♦	Pass	2♥
Dean Congbalay	Pass	Pass	4♠	3♣	Pass	2♥
Ed	1♠	Pass	2♥	3♣	Pass	2NT
Greg	Pass	3♥	4♥	3♣	X	3♣
James Jacobson	Pass	Pass	4♥	3♦	Pass	2♥
Jay Gala	1♠	3♥	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
JohnMcQ	1♠	Pass	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Jon Hoak	Pass	Pass	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Jusie. Clendening	Pass	Pass	4♥	3♦	Pass	2♥
Kevin C.	1♠	Pass	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Kevin H	Pass	3♥	4♥	3♣	Pass	2♥
Lanny	1♠	Pass	2♣	3♣	Pass	4♥
Linda	Pass	Pass	2♣	3♦	Pass	2♥
Mike Burns	Pass	3♥	2♦	3♦	Pass	3♣
Mónica	1♠	Pass	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Nell Wickstrom	1♠	3♥	2♦	3♣	Pass	2♥
Pam Campbell	Pass	3♥	2♦	3♦	Pass	3♣
Phyllis	1♠	3♥	3♥	3♣	Pass	2♥
Rick Read	Pass	Pass	2♥	3♦	Pass	3♥
Rod	2♠	3♥	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Sue	Pass	Pass	3♥	3♦	Pass	3♥
Terri Mackey	Pass	3♥	2♦	3♦	Pass	2♥
Vijay Doshi	Pass	3♥	4♥	3♦	Pass	2♥
Zigang Pan	Pass	Pass	2♥	3♦	Pass	3♣
	Pass	3♥	4♥	3♦	X	2♥



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The Field:



Player	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q5	Q6
06/03/23	1	2	3	4	5	6
Bob Jones	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	3X
Steve Vogel	1X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Lee Mearns	Pass	2X	4X	3X	Pass	2X
Bob Fish	1X	2X	2X	N/A	Pass	2X
Steve Martin	1X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	3X
Al Winslow	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Arvid	1X	Pass	2X	3X	X	3X
Bob S	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Carol Wilson	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	2X
Carole	Pass	2X	1X	1X	Pass	2X
Chuck	Pass	Pass	Pass	3X	Pass	2X
Dave	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Dean Conghaly	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Ed	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Greg	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
James Scottson	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Jay Goffe	1X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Jeffrey Q	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Jim Nash	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Jules Chaudhary	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Karen C.	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Karen H	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Larry	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Linda	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Mike Burt	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Minnie	1X	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Paul Whitmore	1X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Pete Campbell	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Rylin	1X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Rob Reed	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Rob	2X	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Sam	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Scott Mackey	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Way Dashi	Pass	2X	2X	3X	Pass	2X
Zigzag Fan	Pass	Pass	2X	3X	Pass	2X
	Pass	2X	4X	3X	X	2X