

Let's have a conversation!

Want 8+ cards in your trump suit; otherwise try no trump.

Golden Fit is 8+ cards in a suit.

Get that game bonus! **Golden Games** are 3N, 4♠, and 4♥.

Usually you can make 3N if you and your partner have **26** or more HCP (25 is often enough). Same is true for 4♠ or 4♥.

1N. "I have 15-17 HCP and at least 2 cards in every suit."

3N "I have 10-15 HCP and I don't have a 5+ card major. We need to be in game with 25+ HCP, so 3N it is."

4N (16-17 HCP)

"Want to be in slam?"

2♦ or **2♥** or **2♠.** "I have 0-7 HCP and a 5+ card suit. If you have 3+ cards in my suit we will have a **Golden Fit.**"

4♥ "I have 10+ HCP and a six card heart suit. I know you have at least 15 HCP and two hearts because you bid 1N, so we have 25+ HCP and 8+ hearts. I'm bidding our **Golden Game.**"

3♠ "I have 10+ HCP but only 5 spades. I don't know if we have a **Golden Fit.** Bid 4♠ if you have 3+ spades; otherwise bid 3N."

1♥ "I have 5+ hearts and 12+ HCP."

4♥ "Yup, I have at least 15 HCP so we must have 25+ HCP together."

3♥ "I have 3+ hearts and 10-12 HCP. Do you have just a bit more?"

PASS "I said enough."

1♠ "I have 5+ spades and 12+ HCP."

PASS "I only have 5 spades and I have less than 15 HCP. We don't have a game or a spade fit. 1N is the best we can do."

1N "I don't have 3+ spades but I have 6-10 HCP."

2♠ "I have 6 spades and a bad hand (6-11 HCP). If spades are trump I'll get some tricks; otherwise hardly any tricks."

3♠ "I have 3+ spades. Let's make it really hard for the opponents to bid. Maybe they'll miss a heart game."

1♥ "I have 5+ hearts and 12+ HCP."

1♠ "I don't have 3+ hearts but I have 4+ spades and 6+ HCP."

2♥ "I have 6+ hearts."

3♥ "I have 2 hearts and 10+ HCP. So I know we have a **Golden Fit** in hearts but I don't know if we have enough HCP for game."

4♥ "No problem. I have 15+ HCP so we have 25+ HCP, enough for a **Golden Game**."

1♠ "I have 5+ spades and 12+ HCP."

2♦ "I have 5+ diamonds and 10+ HCP."

2♥ "I also have 4 hearts. Maybe we have a **Golden Fit** in hearts?"

3N "I don't have 3+ spades or 4+ hearts so we don't have a **Golden Fit** but I have 13+ HCP so we need to be in game."

1♦ "I have 3+ diamonds and 12+ HCP."

1♠ "I don't have 4 hearts but I do have 4 spades."

PASS "I don't have any extras. We are in the best contract."

1♥ "Who cares about diamonds. I have 4+ hearts and 6+ HCP."

2♠ "I have 4 spades too. So we have a **Golden Fit** but I only have 6-9 HCP."