

Modern Bidding

All course materials designed by World Champion & Master Teacher Donna Compton.

8 Week Course ~ Classes may be taken on an individual basis. Material presentation and Real Time Play of Hands.

Live class, video and handout included with lesson. Replay lesson hands on Shark Bridge following live class.

Lesson 1 Modern Hand Evaluation

Join World Champion & Master Teacher Donna Compton for Modern Hand Evaluation. This class will bring you up to speed with Long Suit Points, Short-Suit Points and Honor Upgrades. Donna will share with you the secret of shape bidding for accuracy.

Lesson 2 Responder's Choices & Hand Evaluation

Join Donna for Responder's Choices. This class will present Responder's ranges and priorities when responding to major and minor suit opening bids. Short-suit hand evaluation is discussed along with length points without support.

Lesson 3 Opener's Rebids

Join Donna for Opener's Rebids ~ her favorite class to teach! This is the most important bidding class you will ever take. We all know how to open the bidding and how to respond...but when it gets back to us as opener, we start looking at the ceiling for guidance. This class solves the rebid mystery as opener by focusing on shape bidding.

Lesson 4 Responder's Rebids

Join Donna for Responder's Rebid. Responder's job is to answer "What Level" and "What Denomination" to decide in which contract to play. To answer these questions, Responder must be able to interpret Opener's rebid. This class is a great review of the Opener's Rebids class.

Lesson 5 Stayman

Join Donna for Stayman. This is one of Donna's Top 4 conventions because it finds 4-4 major-suit fits over notrump openers. Donna will explore Stayman, follow-up bidding, handling interference, introduction to cuebids and more.

Lesson 6 Jacoby Transfers

Join Donna for Jacoby Transfers. Jacoby Transfers helps Opener and Responder find major-suit fits when Opener starts with 1NT and Responder holds 5+ cards in hearts or spades. Donna will walk you through follow-up rebids, signing off in a minor and handling interference.

Lesson 7 Modern Overcalls

Join Donna for Overcalls. We add two new characters to our cast ~ the Intervenor and the Advancer. The Intervenor uses Overcalls to get in the Opener and Responders Auction. Donna will explore four types of overcalls and responding to them.

Lesson 8 Modern Takeout Doubles

Join Donna for Takeout Doubles. The takeout double is another toy for the Intervenor to enter the auction and compete for the contract. How do you know if it is a takeout double or penalty double? This class answers this question. Responding to takeout doubles and rebids by the Doubler are included in the materials.