

Partner opens 1NT -practise session responses.

Stayman - well this usually means 11+ pts and promises one or other 4 card major.

e.g 1NT -----2C
AQ87
Q76
KJ1098
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Here responder is hoping that the NT opener will bid 2Sp and and eventual 4Sp will be reached.

And if the opener denies a major with a bid of 2D ?

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Now go back to NTs [bid 2NT or 3NT as you wish]and forget all about the singleton club (it will all be fine mostly).

The reason for this is twofold -

- 1) opener is quite likely to hold values in the minor suit (they don't hold a major after all)
- 2)there is no other continuation possible anyway than in NTS !
(Bids like 3D which you want to make have no natural meaning and you will just end up having a murky auction).

If you bid Stayman because you had a 4 card major then the auction will end in NTs or that major.

Sometimes the 2Cl Stayman bid is weak .

(If it is weak then responder will hold 5-4 in the majors)

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Q7654
KJ76
432
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You are probably not going to have a very happy time of it anyway but 2C is the correct call.
If opener bids 2H or 2S you will PASS (quickly).

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Here you tried Stayman but that didnt work.
Now you bid 2Sp (because that is your 5 card major.Opener will PASS (quickly).