Jacoby 2NT

After a major suit one level opening bid by partner, the conventional response of **2NT** [Alert] shows <u>4+ card trump</u> support with an opening hand.

After responder's **2NT** [Alert] call:

Response Priority:

- 1. <u>Describe an unbalanced hand</u> with a 2nd STRONG 5-card suit (2 of the top 3 honors)
- [Lacking a 2nd Strong 5-card suit] describe an unbalanced hand with a singleton or void suit
- 3. [Lacking shortness], describe the point count of the balanced hand.

Response	(to 2NT [Alert] after Major opening)
UNBALANCED	Bid Description
Bid 4 of New Suit [Alert]	Shows a STRONG (2 of the 3 top honors) 5 card side suit (1♠ > 2NT > 4♠ shows second suit in Diamonds).
Bid 3 of New Suit [Alert]	Shortage, indicating a singleton or void in the bid suit. (1♠ > 2NT > 3♥ shows singleton or void in Hearts).
BALANCED (no singleton or void)	Bid Description
Bid 4 of Same Major [Alert]	Minimum hand, game signoff with 12-14 points and strength in bid suit (1♥ > 2NT > 4♥).
Bid 3NT [Alert]	15-16 points with a balanced hand (1♥ > 2NT > 3NT).
Bid 3 of Same Major [Alert]	17+ points with a balanced hand (1♥ > 2NT > 3♥).