

The partner of an overcaller is called the “advancer” AKA Adam Ad’Vancer

The general rules for an advancer are as follows:

a new suit has 3 qualities:

- 1) good suit.. (could be as bad as AQxxx if you had void in pard’s suit)
- 2) good hand.. about 9-14
- 3) poor support for pard (typically xxx or worse..)

A jump in a new suit is forcing and natural (this is rare and not every pard will know this so I would probably not use it.. but all pards will make a bid if you q-bid in this situation)

when an advancer supports pard’s suit...

with about 9 or more.. Q-bid .that is to say bid your LHO’s opening suit.. showing game interest

As Advancer, you have to ‘count’ the points used up by the ‘opener, the overcaller and ‘RITA’ (If Rita Bids).

As Advancer you also have to think about whether partner is just making NOISE, or is directing you to ‘lead’ a specific suit, or REALLY wants to compete.

You should also note that ALL Adam Ad’Vancer’s have a little bit of RITA’s in them! ;-)