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COMPETITIVE BIDDING



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Twenty years ago, Mike Lawrence published a series of short booklets entitled *Topics on Bridge*, offering tips on various aspects of cardplay and bidding for intermediate players. Now this material is being republished as a three-book series — revised, updated, and with new topics added. Topics covered in this volume:

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- ◇ Overcalling in a Four-card Suit at the One-level
- ◇ Responding to an Overcall
- ◇ Responsive Doubles
- ◇ The Takeout Double
- ◇ Responding to a Takeout Double
- ◇ Bidding Against an Opening 1NT
- ◇ Bidding over Preempts
- ◇ Balancing
- ◇ Penalty Doubles

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