

# Points

## The Traditional Treatment

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<http://watsongallery.ca/bridge/aaBidding/Points.pdf>

## Shortness Points

Declarer points	3	2	1	(void, singleton, doubleton)
Dummy points	5	3	1	(void, singleton, doubleton)

However, in actual practice, what is a singleton diamond worth in a 4♠ contract on a scale from very very good to very very bad? If:

You have 4 trump and partner has:

♦Axxx	♦KJxx	♦QJxxx	♦QJ10xxx	♦AKQxx	♦xxxx	♦xx	♦x
vvg	vvb	vb	b	b	vg	g	b

You have 3 trump.	g
You have 2 trump or fewer	vvb
Opponent leads trump.	vb
Opponents lead a small trump from ♠Axx and hold the Ace♦	vvb

## Length Points

Not counted when defending is a strong possibility, and partner may double expecting defensive points. Also not counted in weak hands or in weak suits. The length tricks must be accessible.

Fifth Card	1
Sixth Card	1
Seventh Card	3
Eight Card (et cetera)	3