

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0036:  
"Some NT Bidding and Play Principles  
for Newer Players"**

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1. Partner opens **2NT**. You hold **12** HCPs, and a "balanced"/"flat" Hand. What should you bid?
2. Partner opens **1NT**. You hold **15** HCPs, and a "balanced"/"flat" Hand. What should you bid?
3. You open the bidding with a **1NT** bid. Your LHO Passes. Partner bids **4H**. What does your Partner's bid say?

You are playing as Declarer in a **3NT** contract. After the lead is made, Dummy comes down, and you count your "winners". You see 8 "winning" Tricks. Your LHO has led the **6** of Hearts. The Dummy's and your holdings in Hearts are:

DUMMY **H**: 9 8 3

YOU **H**: A T 2

You "duck" in Dummy. Your RHO plays the Heart Queen.

4. After your RHO plays the Heart Queen, how many Hearts does your RHO now hold that are higher than the Heart **6**?
5. What Heart card should you play on Trick **#1**?

6. You are playing a **3NT** contract. Your LHO leads the Club **7**, which you win with your Club **Ten**. What is your initial "Line of Play" plan?

DUMMY (10)

**S:** K Q 4

**H:** K Q

**D:** T 9 8 6 4

**C:** 6 5 2

YOU (15)

**S:** A 7 2

**H:** A J 7

**D:** J 3 2

**C:** K Q T

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