

Esther "Pop" Quiz #0037: "Selecting Suit as Against NT Game Contracts"

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*Although Esther is definitely not an HCP bridge player (except with respect to **NT** contracts), there is one fairly common situation in which you have to choose between playing a **3NT** contract as against a 5-level contract in a Minor.*

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Board **#17**

VUL: **NONE**

DLR: **NORTH**

WEST (8)	EAST (18)
S: 6 5 4	S: K Q 9 8
H: 3	H: A J
D: A T 8 5 3 2	D: K Q 6 4
C: A T 7	C: K 6 5

Bidding

NORTH	EAST	SOUTH	WEST
PASS	1NT	PASS	2S!
PASS	3C¹	PASS	3D
PASS	???		

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¹ E/W are playing a transfer-to-a-Minor Convention over Partner's 1NT opening that (1) shows 6+ cards in a Minor, with a reasonable Ron Klinger "Suit Quality Test" ("SQT") Score of probably at least 8 or 9, and demands a response by Opener of 3C. If Responder instead holds Diamonds, the Responder than bids **3D**. The Ron Klinger "Suit Quality" ("SQT") Score equals (1) the number of cards in the Suit, plus (2) the number of Honors in the Suit, including the Ten. Bids at the level of the "SQT" Score – 6 are generally "safe".

1. *Sitting EAST, what would you bid?*

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