

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0038:  
"When Bidding, Count Trump Cards in Suit  
Contract Bids, and Even HCPs, But Also Always  
Ask: 'What Does Partner Not Know?'"**

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Board **#16**

VUL: **E/W**

DLR: **WEST**

		NORTH (8)		
		<b>S:</b> A 8 4 3		
		<b>H:</b> T 2		
		<b>D:</b> 8 7 4 2		
		<b>C:</b> A 8 6		
			YOU	
			EAST (12)	
			<b>S:</b> K Q T 2	
			<b>H:</b> Q 8 6 5 4 3	
			<b>D:</b> --	
			<b>C:</b> K Q 5	
		SOUTH (11)		
		<b>S:</b> 9 7		
		<b>H:</b> K J		
		<b>D:</b> A Q T 9 5		
		<b>C:</b> J T 7 4		

**Bidding**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
PASS	PASS	1 <b>H</b>	2 <b>D</b>
2 <b>H</b>	3 <b>D</b>	???	

1. *Sitting EAST, what do you know about the holdings of N/S and WEST? How will this inform your (1) bidding and (2) play?*
2. *Sitting EAST, **what would you bid?***

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