

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0106:
"When You Can Make Multiple 'Smart' Bids, or
One 'Not-Quite-So-Good' Bid, Which Choice Is
Better?: Correctly Bidding '2 Over 1'"**

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Knoxville **499er** 11/05/24

Board **#10**

VUL: **BOTH**

DLR: **EAST**

NORTH (2)

S: 9 7 6 2

H: 9 6 5 3

D: T

C: Q T 8 4

WEST (14)

S: A J 8 3

H: K Q

D: 8 5 4

C: A 7 5 2

EAST (17)

S: K

H: A T 8 2

D: A K Q 7 3 2

C: J 6

SOUTH (7)

S: Q T 5 4

H: J 7 4

D: J 9 6

C: K 9 3

Bidding

EAST

SOUTH

WEST

NORTH

1**D**

PASS

2**C**¹

PASS

2**D**

PASS

2**S**

PASS

???

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¹ As noted in an article in the Winter/Spring, 2024 article in The American Bridge Teachers' Association (ABTA) Journal, https://esther-bridge.com/pdf/ABTA_1_24.pdf, Esther Klinktoast-Houstonhousen in fact is a hypothetical, and not a real person! So this article was really, really written by Bruce Thompson.

¹E/W are playing "2 Over 1".² WEST's bid as Responder says, "Partner, I hold (1) 4 (or possibly 3) Clubs, and (2) 13+ HCPs. My bid as Responder says **nothing** about whether I do or do not hold Diamonds." Because both EAST and WEST know that together they hold ~26+ HCPs, both Partners know that they must set their final contract **at least** somewhere between 3NT and 4S, although 5C and 5D may not be "makeable".

1. What bids by EAST at his 3rd turn within the auction are "reasonable," and which bid would be "Not-Quite-So-Good"?

To see Esther's **suggested answers**, CLICK:
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² Within the "Esther Bridge Lessons", see: "Convention Lesson #1: '2 Over 1':
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