

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0140:  
"Bridge Suit Bidding as Dealer with an  
Emphasis on Rebidding"**

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Today's "**Esther Bridge 'Pop' Quiz**" is drawn from Marty Bergen's excellent article, "Better Bridge Bidding with Bergen: Improve Your Bidding Judgment—Part 47," published in the April, 2025 issue of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin (p. 67). Esther may have modified some of the Hands.

**About Bergen**

Marty Bergen is a 10-time National Bridge Champion. Bergen has written a column in the ACBL Bridge Bulletin since 1976. Two of his 69+ bridge books/booklets have won Best Bridge Book of the Year Awards from the American Bridge Teachers' Association. His 1996 book, Points Schmoints!, one of the best book award winners, has been especially influential. One of Esther's most treasured bridge books is Bergen's 2011 little "pocket book", Pocket Posh: Tips for Bridge Players, Bergen has invented quite a few bridge conventions/systems including DON'T, Bergen Limit Raises, and the "**Rule of 20**".

**YOU**

**S:** A K T 6 5 2

**H:** A K Q

**D:** A 7 3

**C:** 5

1. *Sitting as Dealer what would be your initial bid in your 1<sup>st</sup> turn within the auction?*

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<sup>1</sup> 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](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.

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