

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0144:  
"Another Lesson for Beginners:  
Bidding Unusual Distributions"**

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**Gatlinburg ACBL Regional**

**499er "Gold Rush" 04/22/24 A.M. Board #5**

**DLR: NORTH**

**Vul: N/S**

NORTH (10)

**S:** K J 2

**H:** Q T 6 4

**D:** J 5

**C:** Q J 5 3

SOUTH (17)

**S:** 8 6

**H:** A 9 5

**D:** A K Q 8 7 4 3

**C:** A

**Bidding**

NORTH

PASS

EAST

PASS

SOUTH

???

WEST

1. *Sitting SOUTH what would you bid at 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.