

Esther "Pop" Quiz #0182:
**"Deciding Whether to Preempt: The 'Rule of 20',
the 'Rule of 2, 3, and 4', and
the 'Losing Trick Count'"**

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The example bidding situations presented here were drawn from Billy Martin's excellent article, "Dear Biller", published in the July, 2025 issue of the ACBL Bridge Bulletin. Esther may have altered some of the cards in some of the Hand.

YOU
♠ 5 ♥ K Q T 8 4 3 2 ♦ J 5 ♣ K 6 3 (9)

1. *What would you bid with these holdings?*

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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, the purported ACBL Double Triple Emerald Gold Platinum LifeMaster with 20+ million ACBL MasterPoints, in fact is a hypothetical, and not a real person! So, this article was really, really written by Bruce Thompson.