

# Esther "Pop" Quiz #0238: "5 'Quickie' 'Real Deal' Bidding Conundrums"

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Knoxville 749er 9/5/25 Board #1

Dealer: **NORTH**

Vul: **NONE**

NORTH (12)

**S:** J

**H:** A K T 9 7 5

**D:** 6 3

**C:** A T 7 3

WEST (10)

**S:** A T 3

**H:** 9 8

**D:** Q T 9 8 4

**C:** Q 8 5

EAST (8)

**S:** K Q 9 8 7 4 2

**H:** --

**D:** 7 5 2

**C:** K 6 2

SOUTH (10)

**S:** 6 5

**H:** J 6 4 3 2

**D:** A K J

**C:** J 9 4

### Bidding

NORTH

EAST

SOUTH

WEST

1**H**

3**S**

4**H**

4**S**

???

1. Was EAST's 1<sup>st</sup> bid of 3**S** "correct"?

2. What should NORTH bid at his 2<sup>nd</sup> bid 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, 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.

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