

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0254:  
"Several 'Quickie' Esther  
'Real Deal' Bidding Conundrums, Including  
'The Five Level Belongs to the Opponents'"**

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*Knoxville 10/3/25 499er Board #18*

Dealer: **EAST**

Vul: **N/S**

NORTH (10)

**S:** A 9 8 3

**H:** K 9 8

**D:** 6 4

**C:** Q J T 7

WEST (11)

**S:** Q T 2

**H:** --

**D:** A J T 9 8 6

**C:** A 9 3 2

EAST (9)

**S:** J 6

**H:** A J 3 2

**D:** K 7 3 2

**C:** 8 6 4

SOUTH (10)

**S:** K 7 5 4

**H:** Q T 7 6 5 4

**D:** Q

**C:** K 5

**Bidding**

EAST

SOUTH

WEST

NORTH

PASS

**1H**

**2D**

**3H**

**4D**

**4H**

**???**

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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.

1. Was WEST's Overcall of 2D "correct"?

2. What should WEST bid at his 2<sup>nd</sup> turn within the auction?

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