

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0320:
"As Declarer Do You Know How to Execute an
'Entry Shifting Squeeze Endplay'?"**

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Esther in her "Esther Bridge Dialogue Lesson #67: **How as Declarer to Execute an Endplay 'Squeeze'**":

<https://esther-bridge.com/pdf/squeeze.pdf>

discussed what a bridge "**squeeze endplay**" is and how this endplay is executed. A "**squeeze endplay**" is executed by a bridge Declarer to force an Opponent to make discard choices that involve forcing the Opponent to discard either a "winning" card or a needed "guard" card to a "winner" (e.g., K,4). This "squeeze" produces an "extra" "winner" for the Declarer.

However, there is another endplay called an "**Entry Shifting Squeeze Endplay**" that does not produce an "extra" Trick but instead forces an Opponent into the lead such that later the Declarer can "win" Tricks that otherwise would not be "won" by the Declarer as explained in "Esther Bridge Dialogue Lesson #157: **'Executing a 'Non-Material/Immaterial Entry Squeeze Endplay' When Playing as Declarer When Your LHO as Dealer Opened 1S**":

<https://esther-bridge.com/pdf/NonMatSqu.pdf>

The *present quiz* illustrates an "**Entry Shifting Squeeze Endplay**".

Esther on her "**Esther Bridge Lessons**" website has previously recommended the "**BBO Bridge Master**" website:

<https://www.bridgebase.com/v3/anon/bridgemaster>

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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.

The "BBO Bridge Master" website allows you to declare your skill level, then shows a series of Hands and announces the final contract, each of which you then play as Declarer. At the end of play you can then request a solution in which the optimal "Line of Play" is discussed step by step. Here we use the free "BBO Bridge Master" Level-5 Lesson C-29 which gives you the opportunity to see and repeatedly practice playing a given bridge Board. Esther may have altered some of the cards in the Hands.

BBO Bridge Master Level 5 Lesson C-29

Dealer: **SOUTH**

NORTH (11)

S: K
H: A 6 5 4 3
D: Q J 9
C: J 9 8 4

WEST (6)

S: Q J 9 7 6
H: Q J T 9 8
D: 5
C: T 2

EAST (5)

S: 8 5 3
H: 7
D: K 8 7 6 4 3
C: Q 5 3

SOUTH (18)

S: A T 4 2
H: K 2
D: A T 2
C: A K 7 6

Bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1C	2C*	2H	PASS
4NT	PASS	5D	PASS
5NT	PASS	6D	PASS
6NT	PASS	PASS	PASS

*This bid is "Michaels Cuebid" and "shows" that WEST is 2-Suited (5+ cards) in both Majors:

https://esther-bridge.com/pdf/5_cuebids.pdf

WEST leads the Heart Queen thus "promising" the Heart Jack in the better of his 2 "long" Majors.

1. Once the NORTH Dummy is exposed how many "winners" should Declarer SOUTH see?
2. Where should Declarer SOUTH "place" the "missing" Diamond Queen and Club Queen?

3. *What strategy can Declarer SOUTH use to try to "win" an "extra" Trick?*

To see Esther's **suggested answers**, CLICK:

https://esther-bridge.com/quiz/q0320_a1.pdf