

Esther "Pop" Quiz #0321: "More Bridge Bidding 'Real Deal' Conundrums"

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Knoxville 1/30/26 499er Board #4

Dealer: **WEST**

Vul: **BOTH**

NORTH (17)

S: K Q 8

H: Q T 6

D: A K Q 8 6

C: J 4

WEST (12)

S: A J T 9 4

H: K J 7 5 4 2

D: 3

C: K

EAST (4)

S: 6 5 2

H: A 8 3

D: 7 4

C: 9 8 7 6 5

SOUTH (7)

S: 7 3

H: 9

D: J T 9 5 2

C: A Q T 3 2

Bidding

WEST

NORTH

EAST

SOUTH

???

1. What should WEST do at his 1st turn to bid within the auction?

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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.

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