

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0432:**  
**"Bridge Bidding: Can the 'Rule of 20',**  
**Ron Klinger's 'Suit Quality Test ('SQT') Score',**  
**or the 'Rule of 5'**  
**Help Guide Your Bidding Decisions?"**

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499er Game 6/11/26 Board #2

Dealer: **EAST** Vul: **N/S**

NORTH (16)

**S:** 5

**H:** A K 8 7 4

**D:** Q T 8

**C:** A K 9 8

WEST (2)

**S:** T 8 6 4 3 2

**H:** T 2

**D:** 9 7

**C:** Q 7 3

EAST (10)

**S:** K Q 9

**H:** 9 3

**D:** K J 5 4

**C:** J T 5 2

SOUTH (12)

**S:** A J 7

**H:** Q J 6 5

**D:** A 6 3 2

**C:** 6 4

**Bidding**

*EAST*

*PASS*

*PASS*

*PASS*

*SOUTH*

*PASS*

**2H**

*WEST*

*PASS*

*PASS*

*NORTH*

**1H**

*PASS*

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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 SOUTH's bid of PASS at his **1<sup>st</sup>** turn to bid within the auction "correct"?
2. Was SOUTH's bid of 2**H** at his **2<sup>nd</sup>** turn to bid within the auction "correct"?
3. Was NORTH's bid of PASS at his **2<sup>nd</sup>** turn to bid within the auction "correct"?

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