

Esther "Pop" Quiz #0483:
"Can You and Should You Bid and Set a Game
Contract in a Suit First Bid by an Opponent?
(Along With the Play of the Hand
on This 'Real Deal')

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About Richard Pavlicek

Richard Pavlicek (1945-) has won **11** North American Bridge Championships, including a record-setting **3** straight wins in the Reisinger Board-a-Match Teams, 1982-84, and again in 1990. He won the 1973 inaugural Grand National Teams tournament and repeated a win there in 1997. He has written or co-authored several bridge books, including with co-author William S. Root their 1981 book, Modern Bridge Conventions. From 1984 until 1990 Pavlicek was the Bridge Columnist for the Fort Lauderdale News and Sun-Sentinel. Esther particularly likes the Bridge Simulation Studies presented on his bridge website:

<https://www.rpbridge.net/rpsi.htm>

and his re-posts of his newspaper bridge columns:

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The present "Esther Bridge 'Pop' Quiz" is based on the 9/23/90 Pavlicek newspaper bridge column, "South Bids Game in Enemy Suit". This "Real Deal" bridge Board was played in the September 26, 1990 "Instant Matchpoint" continent-wide bridge competition.

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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.

Dealer: **WEST**

Vul: **BOTH**

NORTH (7)

S: K 5

H: 9 7

D: T 9 7 6 2

C: A 8 6 2

WEST (11)

S: A 6 2

H: T

D: A K 8 5 4

C: T 9 5 3

EAST (10)

S: Q 9 7 4

H: K 6 5 3

D: Q J 3

C: Q 7

SOUTH (12)

S: J T 8 3

H: A Q J 8 4 2

D: --

C: K J 4

Bidding

WEST

1**D**

NORTH

PASS

EAST

1**H**

SOUTH

???

1. What would you bid as SOUTH at your 1st turn to bid within the auction?

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