

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0189:
"Overtaking One's Own 'Winner' and
Preserving Entries to the Other Hand"**

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

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

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. The present "Esther Bridge 'Pop' Quiz" question is drawn from "**BBO Bridge Master**" Level-2 **Lesson B-17**. Note that across repeated play "**BBO Bridge Master**" may change some Hands in given lessons. Esther may have altered some cards in some Hands.

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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.

BBO Bridge Master Level 2 Lesson B-17

Dealer: **SOUTH**

NORTH (7)

S: 4 3
H: A 4 3 2
D: Q J T 9
C: 6 5 2

WEST (7)

S: A 9 8 7 5
H: 8 6
D: 8 3
C: K 9 8 7

EAST (9)

S: Q J T 6
H: 5
D: K 7 6 5 4
C: Q J T

SOUTH (17)

S: K 2
H: K Q J T 9 7
D: A 2
C: A 4 3

Bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1 H	PASS	2 H	PASS
4 H	PASS	PASS	PASS

WEST leads the Diamond 8 on Trick #1 as the "top" of a doubleton.

1. Once the NORTH Dummy comes "down" what "losers" can Declarer SOUTH see?
2. What Diamond should Declarer SOUTH play on Trick #1?

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