

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0199:
"When Playing a NT Contract as Declarer
How Do You Select Between 2 Suits
Both of Which Can Be 'Promoted'?"**

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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 C-19**. 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 C-19

Dealer: **SOUTH**

NORTH (12)

S: A 9
H: A 5 4
D: 5 4 2
C: A 7 6 4 2

WEST (7)

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

EAST (8)

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

SOUTH (13)

S: K T 4 3 2
H: K 3 2
D: A K 3
C: 5 3

Bidding

SOUTH	WEST	NORTH	EAST
1 S	PASS	2 C	PASS
2 NT	PASS	3 NT	PASS
PASS	PASS		

WEST leads the Heart Ten on Trick #1.

1. Once the NORTH Dummy comes "down" what "winners" does Declarer SOUTH see?
2. Declarer SOUTH may wish to "promote" "low" cards in N/S's longest Suits. How many cards do N/S together hold in each Suit?

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