

**Esther "Pop" Quiz #0241:**  
**"Your LHO Opens 3C, Partner PASSes, RHO Bids 5C:**  
***What Would You Bid, How Would You Play?"***

**Esther Klinktoast-Houstonhousen<sup>1</sup>**

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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-3 **Lesson D-09**. 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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<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.

**BBO Bridge Master Level 3 Lesson D-09**

Dealer: **WEST**

SOUTH (26)

**S:** A Q T

**H:** A K Q 4 3 2

**D:** A K 2

**C:** A

**Bidding**

WEST	NORTH	EAST	SOUTH
3C	PASS	5C	???

1. What does WEST's initial bid of 3C "show"?
2. Roughly how many HCPs do E/W hold? Roughly how many HCPs does your Partner, NORTH, hold?
3. Sitting SOUTH what would you bid at your 1<sup>st</sup> turn within the auction?

To see Esther's **suggested answers**, CLICK:  
<https://esther-bridge.com/quiz/q0241 a1.pdf>