

**Pros' Answers to Weekly Bridge Quiz #13**  
**March 30, 2019**

**Question 1:** Neither vulnerable, as South you hold:

S – 9 7 4                      H – 8 5 4                      D – A 10 9 3                      C – K 3 2

West	North	East	South
1S	2H	2S	?

What call would you make, as South?

**Pros' Answer:** It's not just seven points ! It's an Ace and a King.  
 Bid 3 Hearts.

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**Question 2:** North - South vulnerable, as South you hold:

S – A 9 4                      H – A K 9 5 4                      D – void                      C – Q 10 9 4 2

West	North	East	South
2D	Pass	4D	?

What call would you make, as South?

**Pros' Answer:** You must bid with this hand, and it's close call between bidding 4 Hearts or Double. We like Double.

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**Question 3:** East - West vulnerable, as South, you hold:

S – A 10 7 5                      H – 10                      D – A K J 8 4                      C – K 3 2

Your left hand opponent (West) opens 1 Heart, your partner passes, and your right-hand opponent responds 1 No Trump. As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** The double of a 1 No Trump response is a Takeout Double of the suit opened on your left (West in this case). This hand is just about perfect. Double.

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**Question 4:** Both vulnerable, as South you hold:

S – 10 9 7            H – K J 8 7 4            D – A 9 3            C – Q 4

Your partner (North) opens 1 Heart and your right-hand opponent (East) overcalls 1 Spade. What call would you make, as South?

**Pros' Answer:** Bidding either 3 Hearts or 4 Hearts here would be preemptive. Bid 2 Spades, showing a raise with at least invitational values.

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**Question 5:** North – South vulnerable, as South you hold:

S – 9            H – J 10 9            D – J 6 4            C – A K 10 9 5 3

Your partner (North) opens 1 Diamond and your right-hand opponent (East) doubles. As South, what call would you make?

**Pros' Answer:** It is reasonable to evaluate this hand as worth 10 points. Nevertheless, don't Redouble. You have no interest in defending either major. Bid 2 Clubs, non-forcing.

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**Question 6:** East - West vulnerable, as South you hold:

S – 3            H – K 10 8 6 5 4            D – 10 9 5 2            C – A 8

North	East	South	West
1S	Pass	1NT	Pass
2D	Pass	?	

What call would you make, as South?

**Pros' Answer:** We think that a jump to 3 Hearts here should show an invitational hand with four-card diamond support and five or six hearts. Even if you have that agreement, this hand isn't quite good enough. Bid 2 Hearts.

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