

What's On

contract bridge

By Steve Becker

Bidding quiz

There are some bidding sequences that must be regarded as impossible — that is, you could not have a hand that fits the bid or bids you've made. In the following four cases, specify whether the last bid made by South is Possible or Impossible.

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|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| South | West | North | East |
| 1 ♣ | Pass | 1 ♥ | Pass |
| 1 ♠ | Pass | 2 NT | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
- | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| South | West | North | East |
| 1 ♣ | Pass | 2 ♦ | Pass |
| 2 ♥ | Pass | 3 ♦ | Pass |
| 3 NT | Pass | 4 ♦ | Pass |
| Pass | | | |
- | | | | |
|--------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|
| North | East | South | West |
| 1 ♦ | Pass | 2 NT | Pass |
| 3 ♦ | Pass | Pass | |
| 4. | | | |
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|-------------|--------------|-------------|--------------|
| West | North | East | South |
| Pass | 1 ♠ | 4 ♥ | 5 ♠ |

1. Impossible. In standard bidding methods, any jump-bid by a responder is forcing to game (unless responder passed at his first opportunity to bid). South is therefore required to bid again in the given sequence. North's two-trump bid shows 13 to 15 points, though he may occasionally have only 12. The same general principle would apply if North's last bid were three clubs, three hearts or three spades instead of two notrump.

ily agree — as many nowadays have — that jump-bids by responder on the second round are merely invitational rather than forcing, indicating a hand that is not quite good enough to force to game. In that case, passing two notrump in the given sequence would be permissible, but this is entirely a matter for partnership discussion.

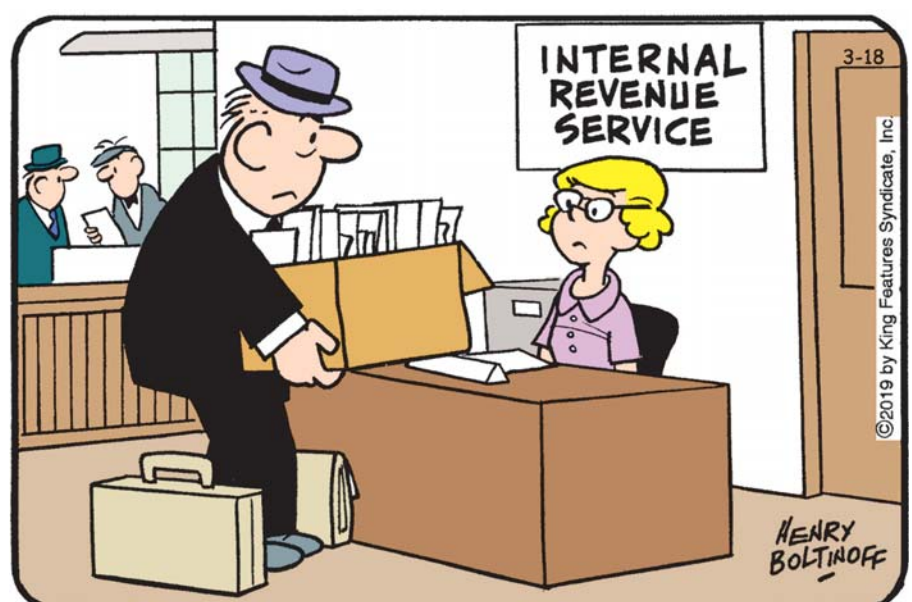
2. Impossible. The initial two-diamond response by North (a jump-shift) shows at least 17 points and is 100 percent forcing to game. Consequently, South is not permitted to pass four diamonds. North is presumably bidding his time, waiting to hear South's reaction to four diamonds before making a final decision on just how far to go.

3. Impossible. The two-notrump response showed 13 to 15 points and committed the partnership to game. South must therefore bid again over three diamonds.

4. Possible. The generally accepted meaning of the five-spade bid in this sequence is that South has a slam-going hand that depends entirely on not losing the first two tricks in the suit the opponents have bid. Thus, South may have a hand such as ♠KQ842 ♥95 ♦— ♣AKJ983.

North should pass with two immediate heart losers; bid six spades with second-round control of hearts (K-x or a singleton); and cuebid six hearts (or bid a grand slam) with first-round control (the ace or a void) in hearts.

Of course, a partnership could easily agree — as many nowadays have — that jump-bids by responder on the second round are merely invitational rather than forcing, indicating a hand that is not quite good enough to force to game. In that case, passing two notrump in the given sequence would be permissible, but this is entirely a matter for partnership discussion.



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Box is smaller. 2. Nose is smaller. 3. Window on door is smaller. 4. Briefcase is moved. 5. Jacket is longer. 6. Bottom of desk is different.

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General

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Conceptis Sudoku

The grid must be so completed that every row, column and 3x3 box has every digit from 1 to 9 inclusive

By Dave Green

	7							2
2			7		1			9
		8				5		
	1	8		3		6		
	8		6		4		7	
		2				8		
6			9		7			5
	4							3

Difficulty Level ★★ ★

Answer to yesterday's puzzle

2	5	9	3	4	7	6	8	1
1	6	4	9	8	5	2	7	3
3	7	8	6	1	2	4	5	9
6	2	5	4	9	8	1	3	7
9	8	3	7	6	1	5	4	2
4	1	7	5	2	3	8	9	6
5	3	1	8	7	6	9	2	4
7	9	2	1	5	4	3	6	8
8	4	6	2	3	9	7	1	5

Difficulty Level ★★ ★

Challenger

By Louis Moller

					27
				4	26
					27
	9				29
					28
			7		
33	33	26	18		28

DIRECTIONS:

Fill each square with a number, one through nine.

■ Horizontal squares should add to totals on right.

■ Vertical squares should add to totals on bottom.

■ Diagonal squares through center should add to total in upper and lower right.

THERE MAY BE MORE THAN ONE SOLUTION.

Today's Challenge
Time 8 Minutes
59 Seconds
Your Working Time ___ Minutes
___ Seconds

					15
9	6	7	2		24
1	2	2	8		13
9	2	3	7		21
9	7	5	4		25
28	17	17	21		18

Eugene Sheffer Crossword

1	2	3		4	5	6		7	8	9	10	
11			12		13				14			
15					16				17			
18				19		20		21				
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50	51	52			53		54		55			
56					57				58			
59					60						61	

ACROSS

- 1 "Entourage" role
- 4 Owns
- 7 Top choice, for short
- 11 Horse-shoe site
- 13 Music booster
- 14 Pitcher Nolan
- 15 Choir voices
- 16 Uncle (Sp.)
- 17 Congers
- 18 Explosion
- 20 Rotunda top
- 22 Crone
- 24 Took it easy
- 28 Kenyan expeditions
- 32 Amazed
- 33 Blueprint
- 34 Opposing vote
- 36 Sketch
- 37 Skip a sound
- 39 Region of southwest France
- 41 Sewing group

DOWN

- 2 Hamburger holder
- 3 Greek vowel
- 4 Stetson, e.g.
- 5 During
- 6 Thread holder
- 7 Without a mortgage, say
- 8 Pro vote
- 9 Batman portrayer
- 10 Em halves
- 12 Popular British dish
- 19 Sailor

Solution time: 21 mins.

E	S	T	O	P	M	O	T	I	F		
S	L	U	I	C	E	I	T	U	N	E	S
N	Y	M	P	H	S	S	I	E	S	T	A
I	S	M	S	O	R	T	S	T	I	L	
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S	E	D	E	R	J	O	S	E	P	H	S
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S	E	R	A	P	H	S	Z	E	L	D	A
A	X	O	N	R	A	T	T	E	A	R	
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S	E	C	U	R	E	E	O	C	E	N	E
D	O	P	E	S	I	D	A	R	E		

Yesterday's answer 3-18

CRYPTOQUIP

Q R L M I B G Z V Q Z I X O L A A R L

G M K B M A J B V V Z N V L G J O L A B

K V U T N T B G M A Z U M X, U ' W X Z I

I B G ' J L W J Z Q M A B X K Z V L.

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: WARNING CRY HEARD IN A FOOD STORE WHEN ALL OF ITS LOAVES HAVE BECOME MOLDY: "BREAD ALERT!"

Today's Cryptoquip Clue: X equals S

Word by Word

Speech (كلام) Kalaam

Speech is silver, but silence is gold.
Al kalam men fedah, wa laken al sokout men thahab.

Numbers

الكلام من فضة، ولكن السكوت من ذهب.

8120

Eight thousand one hundred twenty

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Thamaniyat alaaaf wa maah wa eshroon



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"YES, I NEED TO START PAYING ATTENTION IN CLASS."