

# Jacoby On Bridge

| NORTH           |          |      |       |
|-----------------|----------|------|-------|
| None            | 65       |      |       |
| WEST            | EAST (D) |      |       |
| AK87            | J109852  |      |       |
| 10842           | KQJ93    |      |       |
| K93             | A8       |      |       |
| Q2              | None     |      |       |
| SOUTH           |          |      |       |
| K43             |          |      |       |
| A7              |          |      |       |
| Q62             |          |      |       |
| AJ874           |          |      |       |
| Both vulnerable |          |      |       |
| East            | South    | West | North |
| Pass            | 1        | 5    | 4     |
| 4               | 5        | Pass | Pass  |
| Pass            |          |      |       |
| Opening lead—A  |          |      |       |

## 2nd Chance Not Offered

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When you should open the bidding, but elect to pass the chances are that you will never be able to make up for the error. Even if a second chance is offered, the type who passes an opening bid is not likely to make the right decision later on.

East only had 11 points in high cards, but he had a nice six card spade suit and a fine two suiter. An opening bid was clearly called for, but he passed.

West's double of the opening club bid was shaded, but West had played with East before and knew that East was an under-bidder.

East did pull himself together and go to four spades after North pre-empted with four clubs. Of course, an aggressive play a year might have bid five clubs over four and tried for a slam, but we have already noted, East was far from aggressive.

After South went to five clubs West could find no excuse for anything but a pass.

Of course East should have tried a five heart bid. But East had made one bid with his hand and, feeling that he had done his full duty he passed.

This put it up to West to lead and West planked down the ace of spades. South ruffed in dummy, drew trumps, discarded one heart on the king of spades and claimed his contract. A really good result because East could make six spades.

### ♥♦♣♠ CARD Sense ♦♣♠

| Q—The bidding has been: |       |      |       |
|-------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| East                    | South | West | North |
| 1                       | 3     | Pass | 1     |
| Pass                    | 3     | Pass | 3     |
| Pass                    | 4     | Pass | 4     |
| Pass                    | 4     | Pass | 4     |
| Pass                    | 5     | Pass | 5     |
| Pass                    | 5     | Pass | 5     |

You, South, hold:  
AKQJ765 41 AK987  
What do you do?

A—Pass. South isn't going to break well for you and there is no good reason to redouble.

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