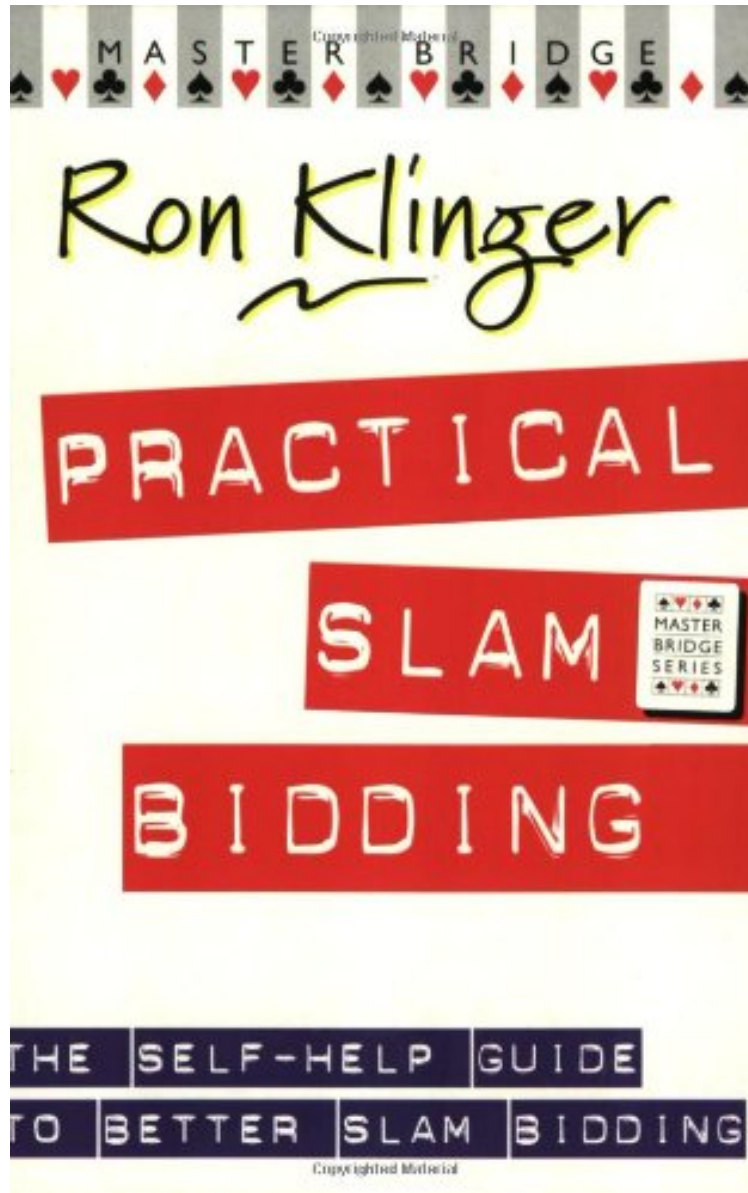


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before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Practical Slam Bidding: The Self-Help Guide to Better Slam Bidding (Master Bridge Series):

1 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Disappointing! Klingers other book on Cue Bidding is much much better. By B. Einhorn The book consists of a set of 120 deals from major competitions in the 60's. Some of the contracts were ridiculous, some very well bid. The hands are also split into 2 sections so each partner can bid without seeing the other hands. The problem is the bidding systems then were generally less sophisticated than those of today. The book doesn't teach anything, it just shows the hands, and asks the players to bid, and awards points on the final contract reached. That's ok, but I don't think the hands were all that great, nor is there any guidance. It would be interesting to compare cue bidding styles and see which worked out better. For instance strict bidding of primary controls first, or mixed cue bidding showing a first or 2nd round control. I think the hand selection could have been better, selecting hands that would be hard to bid, and require some intelligent thinking. For example, if you have a long, undisclosed, side suit, you may be far more interested in partners holding and may skip a suit to cue bid the suit under this one, to see if partner has the missing control. What I was hoping for was a good selection of hands, with some guidance as to how to bid them, problems to avoid, etc. Klingers Cue Bidding to Slams was a good solid book. This offers nothing over that. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Five Stars By Marilyn Klinkenberg Good

A guide to slam bidding in bridge, this book offers 120 deals for readers to test themselves and their partners. It provides many helpful tips, and all the deals are from games played at the highest level, enabling players to dramatically improve their play.

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