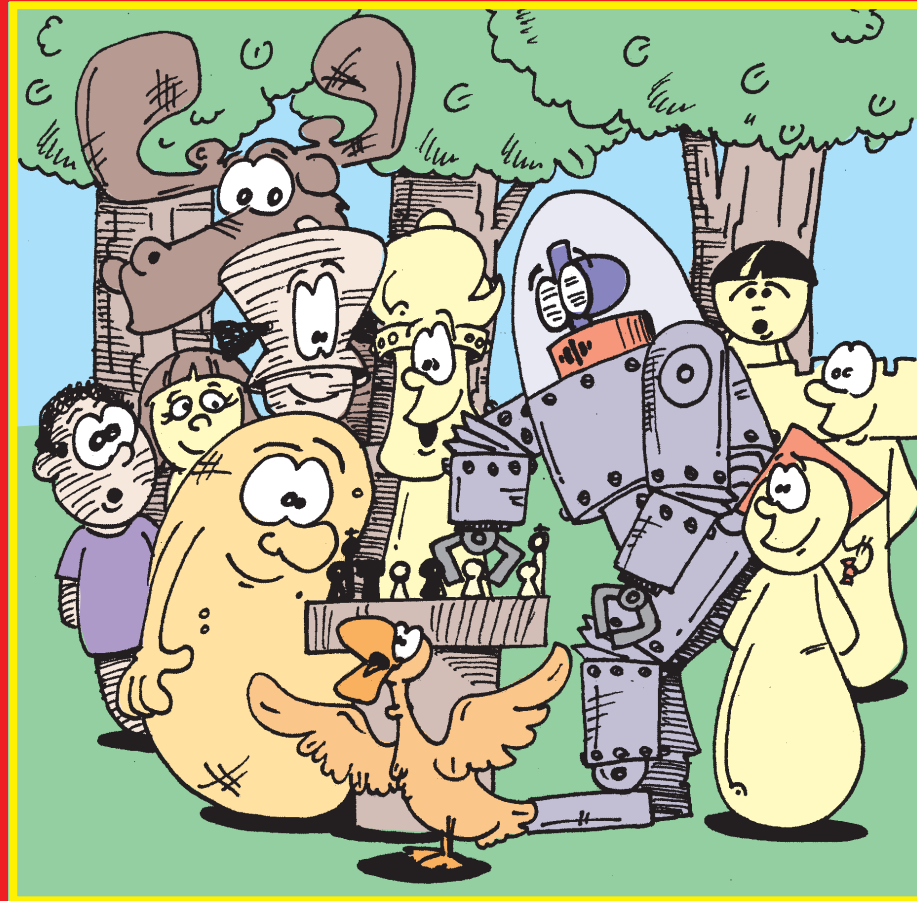


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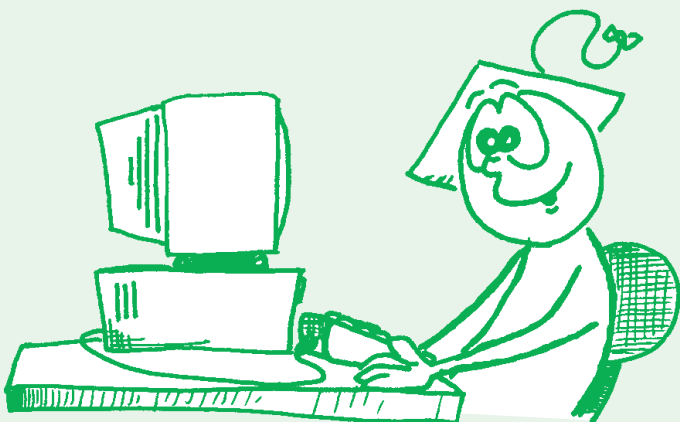
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It's good to see you! I'm glad to be back after the long summer break. Was it long enough for you?

There have been lots of big tournaments over the last few months, and two young Albertans had some amazing results, earning FIDE titles. Congratulations to International Master Richard Wang and Grandmaster Eric Hansen!

We'd love to hear from you. Maybe you could write me a letter sometime, or enter my contest.

Here's the mag,

Kiril

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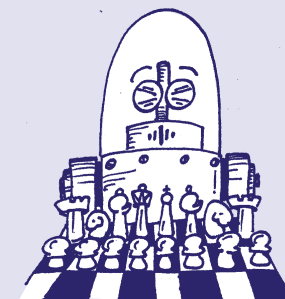
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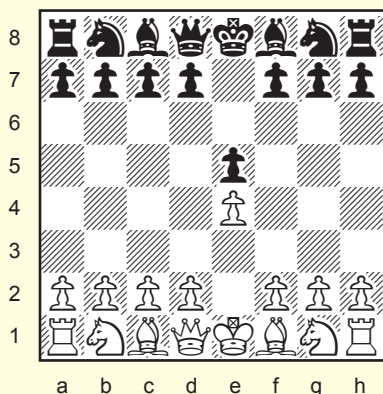
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HOW TO READ A CHESS GAME

It's easy. The board has 8 files and 8 ranks. Files are the rows of squares that go up and down. Each one is named by a small letter. Ranks are rows that go sideways. Each one is named by a number.

Every square also has a name. The first part is its file and the second part is its rank. In this diagram, a white pawn moved to e4 and a black pawn to e5.



Here are some special symbols:

+	check
#	checkmate
e. p.	en passant
O - O	castles kingside
O - O - O	castles queenside
1 - 0	white wins
0 - 1	black wins
½ - ½	draw
!	excellent move
?	mistake
!?	cool move
?!	weird (weak) move

When moves are written down, the first capital letter shows the piece which moves. **Q** is queen. **B** is bishop. **R** is rook. **N** is used for knight because the king is **K**. If there is no capital letter, that means a pawn moves.

Next is the square that the piece moves to. **Bc4** says that a bishop moves to the square c4. When a piece is captured, an **x** is put before the square. **Qxf7** means a queen takes on f7.

If a pawn captures, the letter of the file it starts on is given first, then an **x** followed by the square it takes on. **exd5** says a pawn on the e-file captures on the square d5.

When two pieces of the same kind can go to the same spot, another letter is put after the piece to show what file it came from. **Rae1** tells us that a rook on the a-file moves to e1.

The game below is written in **algebraic notation**. Kiril was new to chess and fell into an old trap called **Scholar's Mate**!

	ROCKY	KIRIL
1.	e4	e5
2.	Qh5	d6
3.	Bc4	Nf6 ?
4.	Qxf7 #	

Oh no! Kiril got mated in just four moves. That was no fun!

LETTERS TO KIRIL



Hello,

This is me, Kiril the Pawn, writing to myself. It's very sad, but we didn't receive any letters this summer to put on this page. Maybe you can send me a letter!

There are lots of things to write about. You can tell me about your chess club, or send in a position from one of your games, or ask a question about the magazine. Or just say hi!

Looking forward to hear from you,
Kiril the Pawn

Hello me,
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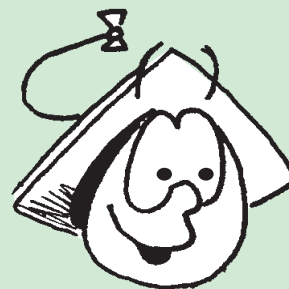
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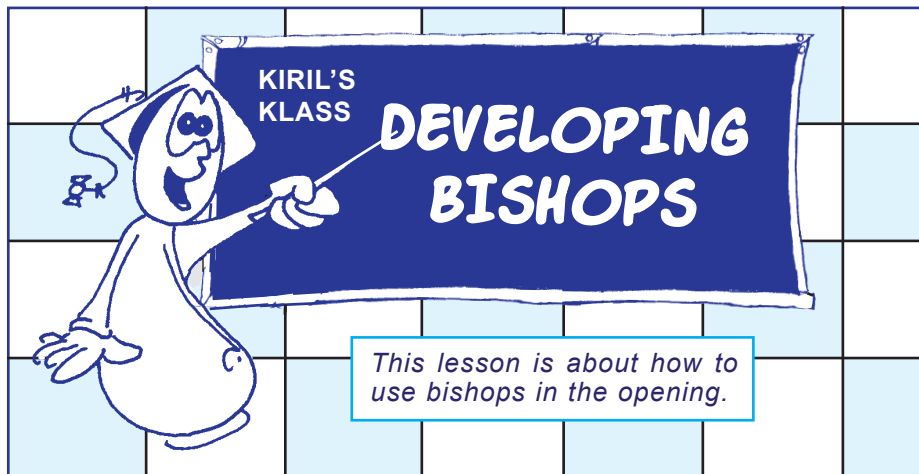


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In the opening, it is important to *develop* the pieces. To “develop” means to move a rook, knight, bishop, or queen from its starting square so that it has more freedom. A few pawn moves are needed in the opening to let the big pieces out, but they do not count as developing moves.

In this class, we give eight rules for developing bishops. Like most general principles, there are exceptions to these rules. But to know when to break the rules, you should first learn how to follow them.

1. Develop both bishops.

At the beginning of a game, our goal is to activate all the pieces. The opening plan should include both bishops. Do not develop one bishop and leave the other one sitting on the back rank.

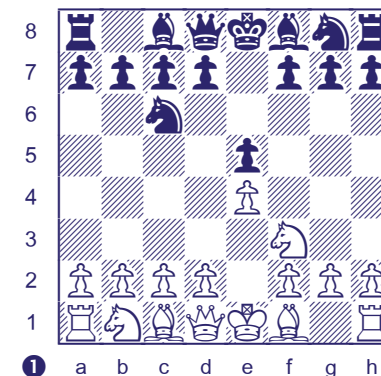


2. Give the bishops freedom.

Pieces are usually stronger if they have more mobility. Try to place your bishops on diagonals where they have several possible moves to choose from.

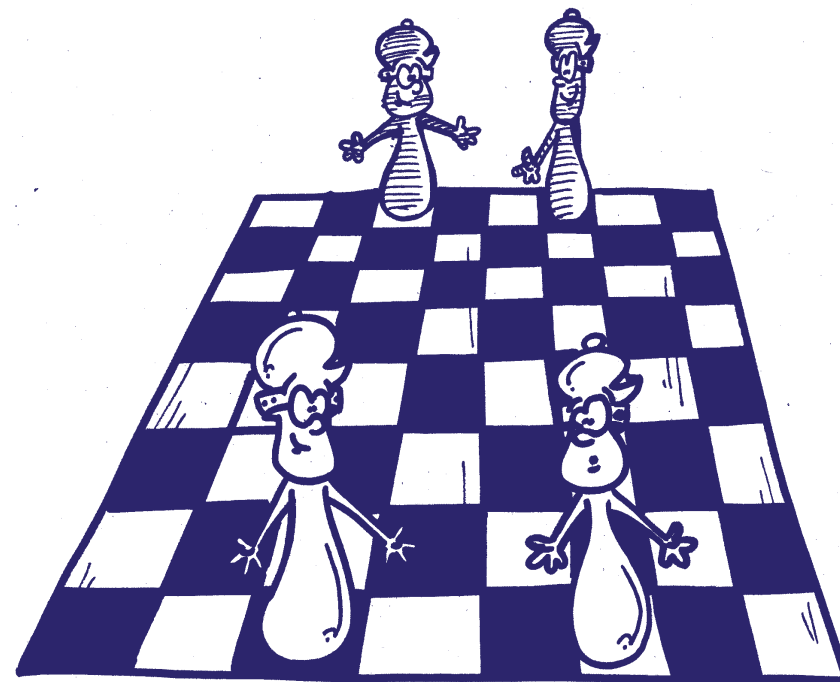
In diagram #1 (1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6), **3.Bc4** is a good move that gives the bishop freedom along the diagonal leading to f7.

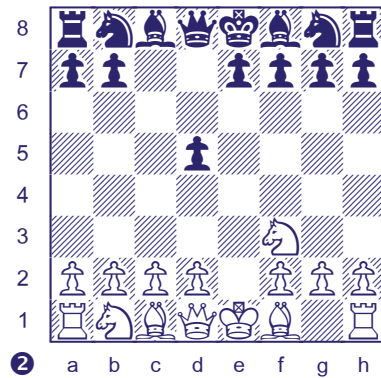
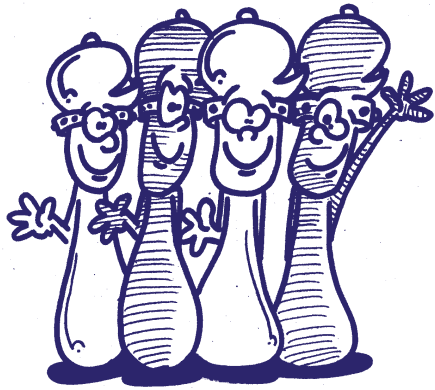
The move **3.Be2** is not terrible but the bishop has less mobility on e2 and it takes away freedom from the white queen.



3. Don't block your bishops.

It is very easy for pawns to get in the way of bishops, so the bishops and pawns must work together to make sure development goes smoothly. The pawn move **3.d3** does two good things. It protects the e-pawn and it opens a diagonal for the bishop on c1. But it also blocks the bishop on f1. A better plan is to bring out the bishop from f1 first (3.Bc4 or 3.Bb5) and then follow up by moving the d-pawn and developing the bishop from c1.





4. Don't block your centre pawns.

In most openings, it is useful to advance both of your centre pawns, either one square or two.

In diagram #2 (1.e4 c6 2.Nf3 d5 3.exd5 cxd5), the square d3 is a great spot for a white bishop, but the immediate **3.Bd3?** is not a good move. It blocks the pawn on d2, which stops the pawn from going to d4 where it would fight for control of the centre. And since the d-pawn is blocked, it is also harder to develop the bishop from c1.

The right idea is to play 3.d4 first, and only then 4.Bd3.

5. Develop with tempo.

A tempo means a *turn to move*. It is the time it takes for one move. If we make the opponent waste a move, we “gain a tempo”. It's like getting an extra turn!

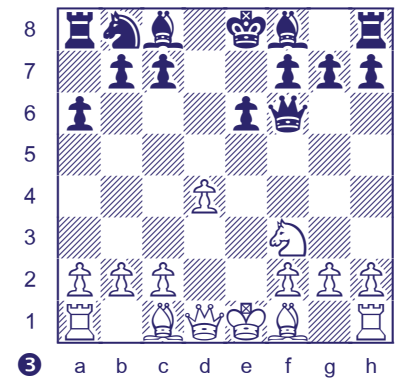
One way to win a tempo is to play a move that forces the opponent to move a developed piece a second time.

See diagram #3 at the top of the next page. (1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Nxf6 Qxf6 6.Nf3 a6?), The white bishops can each develop with a gain of tempo by attacking the black queen.

7.Bg5 Qf5 (7...Qg6 also loses a tempo to 8.Bd3.) **8.Bd3** Now the queen must waste another turn saving herself, while the other black pieces remain undeveloped.

The position after 7.Bg5 Qf5 8.Bd3 is interesting. The natural move **8...Qg4?** would lose the queen to 9.h3! (9...Qxg2 10.Rh2 or 9...Qh5 10.g4).

So a better choice is **8...Qa5+**. Then White should play 9.c3, a solid move that strengthens the centre. Blocking the check with 9.Bd2 attacks the queen again, but does not really “gain a tempo” because the bishop was already developed.



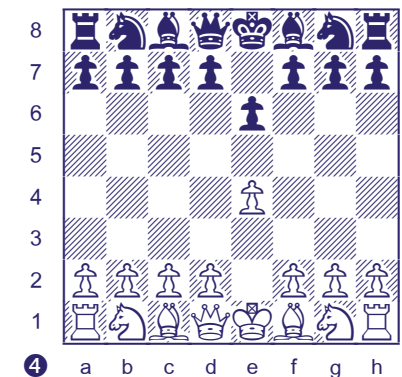
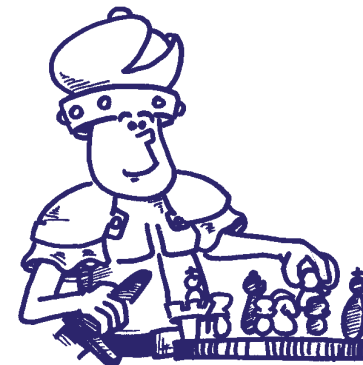
6. Avoid moves that lose a tempo.

Every tempo is important. A good strategic goal is to use every turn to develop a new piece. To do that, we must get each piece to its best square the first time it moves.

Diagram #4 is from the *French Defence* (1.e4 e6). A common beginner's mistake is **2.Bc4?**

Black wins a tempo with **2...d5**. This pawn move opens lines for the black pieces, fights for the centre, and forces the white bishop to move a second time.

After **3.exd5 exd5**, White should not play **4.Bb5+?** for the same reason. Black would gain another tempo with **4...c6**, a useful pawn move that strengthens the centre and attacks the bishop.

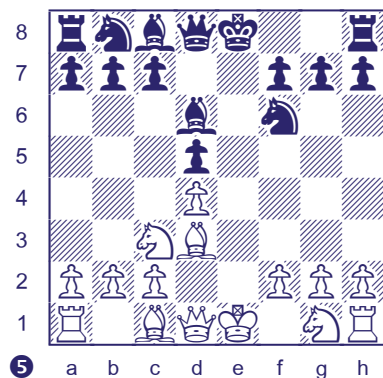


6. Develop with threats.

When you develop any piece, try to make the opponent defend. You can do this by attacking their pieces or by setting up tactics like pins or discovered checks. If they have to defend against threats, then they won't have time to attack you.

Diagram #5 is from the *French Defence* (1.e4 e6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 Nf6 4.exd5 exd5 5.Bd3 Bd6).

6.Bg5 is a strong move that pins the black knight on f6 and threatens to grab a pawn with 7.Nxd5. Black will have to make a defensive move like 6...c6 or 6...Be6.



Developing by **6.Be3** is not as good. There is no threat, so Black is free to play whatever they like. The bishop on e3 is also less mobile than on g5 because it is blocked by the pawns at d4 and f2.

7. Centralize.

Bishops are usually more mobile when they are closer to the centre (d4,d5,e4,e5). On an empty board, a bishop on the side has just seven moves, compared to thirteen moves in the centre.

It's good to develop your bishops so that they aim through the centre. Fighting for control of centre squares is an important part of chess strategy.

There are various ways that a bishop can take part in the central battle. Take a look at diagram #6 (1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6). Yes, it's the same as diagram #1.

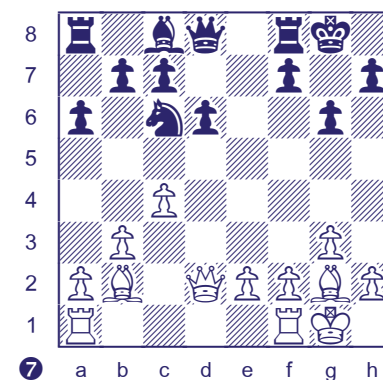


In the *Italian Opening*, White centralizes a bishop with **3.Bc4**. It controls the d5 square and looks through the centre at the weak spot in Black's position, f7.

In the *Spanish Game*, White plays **3.Bb5**. The bishop fights for the centre by attacking the black knight that protects the central pawn at e5.

Another way to develop a bishop so that it aims through the centre is with a *fianchetto*. We fianchetto a bishop by moving the b- or g-pawn one square and then putting the bishop behind it on the long diagonal.

In diagram #7, both white bishops are fianchettoed. Even though there are no white pieces or pawns in the centre, White has excellent central control.



There are two other things to note in this position:

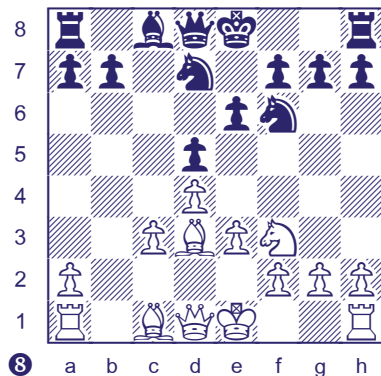
- The bishop on g2 is an excellent defender for the white king. This fianchetto formation is very resistant to attack.
- The black king is not that safe. He castled but his pawn protection is weakened by the advance of the g-pawn. Without a black bishop on g7, the white queen and dark square bishop may be able to invade on the squares f6, g7, and h6.

8. If possible, prevent the opponent from castling.

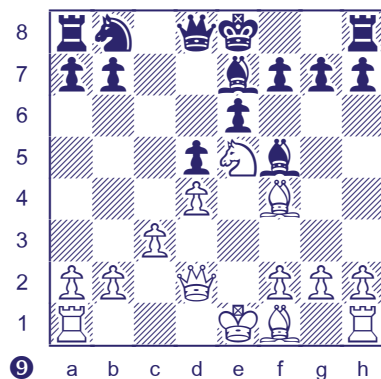
It is often easier to attack a king when he cannot castle. A king that is stuck in the middle of the back rank also interferes with the development of the rooks.

A bishop can prevent castling in two ways. It can attack the square next to the king or it can force the king to move with an unblockable check.

In diagram #8, White can get the advantage by **1.Ba3**. Black cannot castle then because the bishop attacks f8. A king may not “castle through check”.



In diagram #9, White checks with **1.Bb5+**. Because blocking the check would lose material (1...Nc6? 2.Nxc6 bxc6 3.Bxc6+ or 1...Nd7? 2.Bxd7+), Black has to play **1...Kf8**, giving up the right to castle. After **2.O-O**, White has the superior position.



Well, friends, that concludes this lesson. We hope you find these rules helpful. Good luck in your games!

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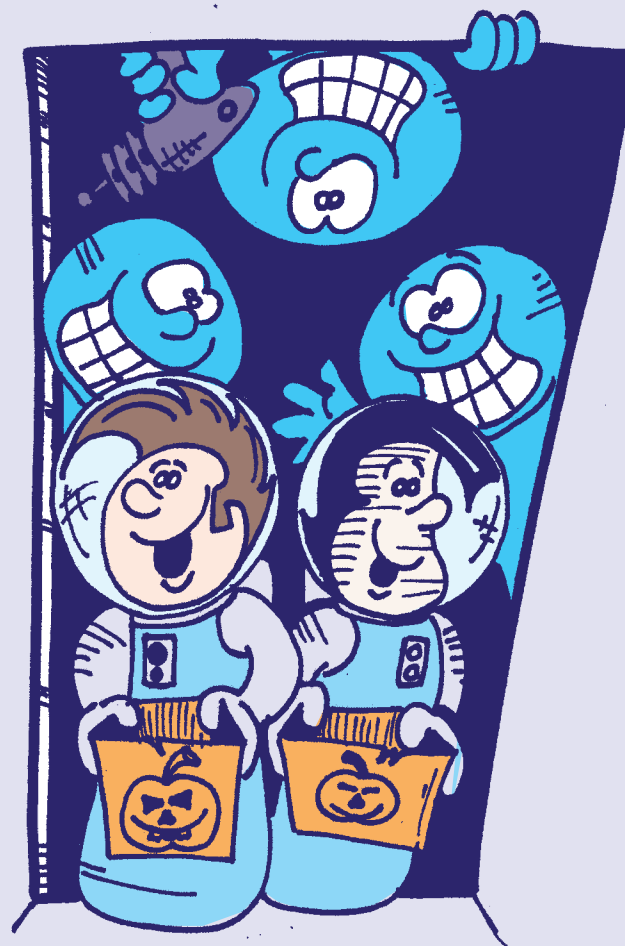
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News report: Ed and Alec returned to Earth temporarily on Halloween night. Their alien captors were very interested in the free treats.

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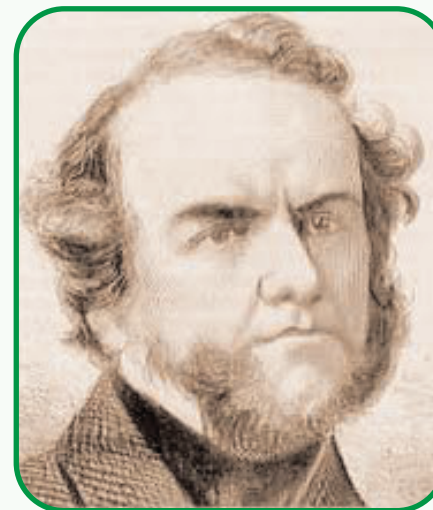
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HOWARD STAUNTON

(1810 - 1874)

This famous English master was recognized as the best chess player in the world after winning a match against French champion Pierre St. Amant in 1843.



“To excel at chess, it is absolutely essential to play slowly.”

Two openings are named for him.

STAUNTON GAMBIT 1.d4 f5 2.e4!

This is an excellent way to counter the Dutch Defence.

ENGLISH OPENING 1.c4

Staunton was the first master to use this move regularly.

But Staunton is probably best remembered for the design of chess pieces that carries his name. The standard sets used at tournaments and chess clubs around the world are known as “Staunton pieces”.



CANADA TOP TEN



GRADE 1

1	ISSANI Nameer	1063	ON
2	RADIN Andrew	863	ON
3	NOORALI Aahil	791	ON
4	RIVAS Cédric	775	QC
5	ATANASOVA Rada	674	ON
6	SYDYKHANOV Arman	646	ON
7	ST-GERMAIN Frederic	646	QC
8	JEYAKUMAR Bhavatharshan	628	ON
9	CHEN Jacques	602	QC
10	GILANI Mysha	600	ON

GRADE 2

1	HUANG Qiuyu	1303	QC
2	ZHAO Jonathan	1210	ON
3	MO Aidan	1098	ON
4	SUPERCEANU Andi	1067	AB
5	LOW Kevin	1041	BC
6	LAU Julian	1005	AB
7	CHEN Hao	995	ON
8	LI Harry	990	ON
9	ZHANG Richard	958	ON
10	KHANIN Nikita	943	QC

GRADE 3

1	RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX Shawn	1423	QC
2	LIN Benjamin	1350	ON
3	ZHAO Ian	1318	AB
4	WASHIMKAR Arhant	1292	ON
5	AKOPHYAN Nika	1236	ON
6	LI Alan	1117	ON
7	KIM Daniel	1104	AB
8	ZHENG Ethan	1092	ON
9	ZHANG Matt	1081	ON
10	ZHONG Wenxuan	1061	QC

GRADE 4

1	GROSSMANN Lenard	1747	AB
2	WANG Kaixin	1714	AB
3	LAI William	1564	QC
4	CHITRAKAR Siddhartha	1484	AB
5	LIN Kaining	1473	AB
6	LIU Daniel	1465	ON
7	ZHANG Taylor	1404	ON
8	NORITSYN Sergey	1388	ON
9	GUO Thomas	1382	ON
10	WANG Frank	1372	ON

GRADE 5

1	YAO David	1701	AB
2	FAN Run Kun	1613	QC
3	ZHAO Yue Tong	1580	ON
4	DOKNJAS Joshua	1569	BC
5	OUELLET Maïli-Jade	1505	QC
6	HUANG Immanuel	1483	ON
7	SEKAR Varun	1461	ON
8	ZHANG Hou Han	1458	QC
9	LUO Muhan	1452	QC
10	YIE Kevin	1444	ON

GRADE 6

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1954	ON
2	WAN Kevin	1792	ON
3	BALENDRA Harigaran	1727	ON
4	XU Jeffrey	1689	ON
5	CHEN Richard	1656	ON
6	MCCULLOUGH Ian	1624	AB
7	ZOTKIN Daniel	1597	ON
8	ZHANG Evan	1595	QC
9	SUN Benjamin	1540	QC
10	LIU Jiaxin	1526	ON

ROOKIE ROLL top grade 1-6

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1954	ON
2	WAN Kevin	1792	ON
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4	BALENDRA Harigaran	1727	ON
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6	YAO David	1701	AB
7	XU Jeffrey	1689	ON
8	CHEN Richard	1656	ON
9	MCCULLOUGH Ian	1624	AB
10	FAN Run Kun	1613	QC

GRADE 7

1	CAO Jason	2114	BC
2	BELLISSIMO Joseph	2014	ON
3	KASSAM Jamil	1883	AB
4	NIE Mark	1774	AB
5	KAISER Jakob	1732	AB
6	ZITA Matthew	1613	AB
7	AGHAMALIAN Derick	1599	ON
8	MULIAWAN Lukas	1576	AB
9	WANG Kelly	1564	QC
10	LEE Jonah	1524	BC

GRADE 8

1	SONG Michael	2341	ON
2	PREOTU Razvan	2307	ON
3	AWATRAMANI Janak	2241	BC
4	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2225	QC
5	ZHU HongRui	2059	QC
6	YU Zong Yang	2034	QC
7	KONG Dezhong	1980	BC
8	DOKNJAS John	1899	BC
9	HOFFNER Noah	1843	AB
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GRADE 9

1	PENG Jackie	2236	ON
2	LIN Tony	2130	ON
3	THANABALACHANDRAN Kajan	2048	ON
4	PLOTKIN Mark	1984	ON
5	DORRANCE Adam	1913	NS
6	YUN Chang	1870	QC
7	MCCULLOUGH David	1772	AB
8	MANAILOIU Dragos	1698	QC
9	NASIR Zehn	1685	ON
10	HUI Jeremy	1672	BC

GRADE 10

1	WANG Richard	2459	AB
2	KNOX Christopher	2276	ON
3	LI Kevin	2213	MB
4	SEMIANIUK Konstantin	2182	ON
5	LO Ryan	2176	BC
6	LUO Zhao Yang	2126	QC
7	FU James	1998	ON
8	LEPINE Cedric	1997	QC
9	WU Qi You	1982	QC
10	LAI Jingzhou	1858	BC

GRADE 11

1	QIN Joey	2453	ON
2	SOHAL Tanraj	2269	BC
3	FLOREA Alexandru	2158	ON
4	ZHANG Zhiyuan	2027	ON
5	LEU Richard	2014	ON
6	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1861	ON
7	LI Chang He	1854	BC
8	GUO Forest	1809	QC
9	KALAYDINA Regina	1804	AB
10	WASSERMAN Leor	1796	MB

GRADE 12

1	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2445	QC
2	ZHANG David	2409	AB
3	GUSEV Nikita	2307	ON
4	ITKIN David	2252	ON
5	MARINKOVIC Mate	2238	ON
6	GLADSTONE Simon	2194	ON
7	INIGO Aquino	2186	ON
8	CHENG Jack	2158	BC
9	HAN Yifei	2146	BC
10	IVANOV Michael	2123	ON

HONOUR ROLL

1	WANG Richard	2459	AB
2	QIN Joey	2453	ON
3	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2445	QC
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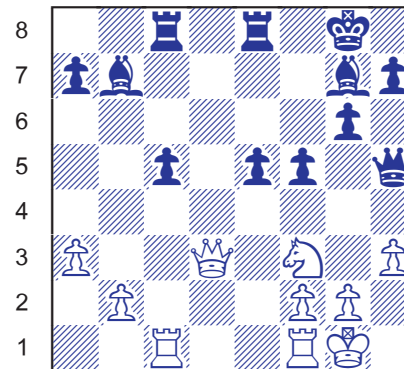


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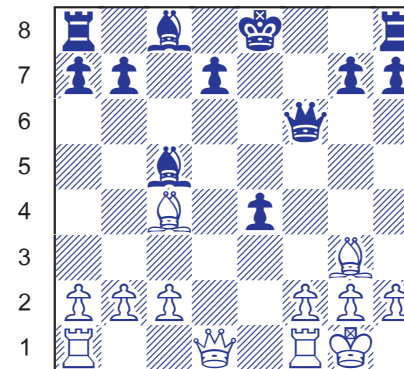
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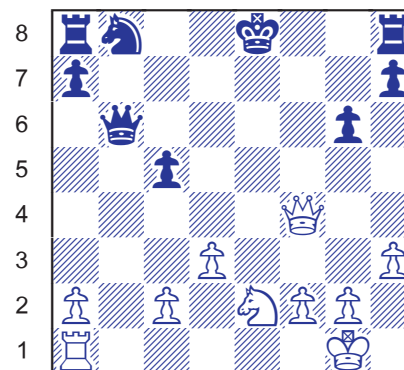
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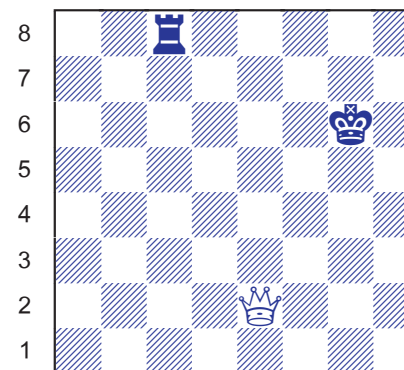
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ONTARIO TOP TEN

GRADE 1

1	ISSANI Nameer	1063
2	RADIN Andrew	863
3	NOORALI Aahil	791
4	ATANASOVA Rada	674
5	SYDYKHANOV Arman	646
6	JEYAKUMAR Bhavatharshan	628
7	GILANI Mysha	600
8	FAHIMNIA Mahdi	592
9	RUSONIK Max	587
10	ALTER Jonathan	532

GRADE 2

1	ZHAO Jonathan	1210
2	MO Aidan	1098
3	CHEN Hao	995
4	LI Harry	990
5	ZHANG Richard	958
6	ENGLAND Max	920
7	WU Nicholas	916
8	WILKE Lukas	820
9	GUO Hazel	796
10	HOU Alexander	757

GRADE 3

1	LIN Benjamin	1350
2	WASHIMKAR Arhant	1292
3	AKOPHYAN Nika	1236
4	LI Alan	1117
5	ZHENG Ethan	1092
6	ZHANG Matt	1081
7	MIRABELLI Aidan	1001
8	ALLARD Max	985
9	HE Maxwell	975
10	VETTESE Nicholas	953

GRADE 4

1	LIU Daniel	1465
2	ZHANG Taylor	1404
3	NORITSYN Sergey	1388
4	GUO Thomas	1382
5	WANG Frank	1372
6	MING Wenyang	1362
7	RUAN Colin	1309
8	MANGALESWARAN Thakeshon	1273
9	HENRY Nadia	1250
10	LANDA Tamir	1213

GRADE 5

1	ZHAO Yue Tong	1580
2	HUANG Immanuel	1483
3	SEKAR Varun	1461
4	YIE Kevin	1444
5	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1427
6	PARAPARAN Varshini	1410
7	BIRAROV Nicole	1401
8	IANSAVITCHOUS James	1349
9	TRUONG Kyle	1335
10	ZHANG Michael	1294

GRADE 6

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1954
2	WAN Kevin	1792
3	BALENDRA Harigarar	1727
4	XU Jeffrey	1689
5	CHEN Richard	1656
6	ZOTKIN Daniel	1597
7	LIU Dora	1526
8	SHAMRONI Dennis	1518
9	WANG Constance	1505
10	WANG Dinny	1493

ROOKIE ROLL top grade 1-6

1	ZHANG Yuan Chen	1954
2	WAN Kevin	1792
3	BALENDRA Harigarar	1727
4	XU Jeffrey	1689
5	CHEN Richard	1656
6	ZOTKIN Daniel	1597
7	ZHAO Yue Tong	1580
8	LIU Dora	1526
9	SHAMRONI Dennis	1518
10	WANG Constance	1505

GRADE 7

1	BELLISSIMO Joseph	2014
2	AGHAMALIAN Derick	1599
3	ZHONG Joey	1520
4	CHEUNG Benedict	1510
5	SONG Eric	1449
6	WANG Michael	1412
7	WANG Eric	1390
8	LEI Sean	1387
9	ZHANG Jeff	1355
10	SELVANAYAGAM Yanojan	1324

GRADE 8

1	SONG Michael	2341
2	PREOTU Razvan	2307
3	LI Yinshi	1682
4	YE Hanyuan	1662
5	TERRY Joshua	1646
6	KUTTNER Simon	1629
7	SIRKOVICH Daniel	1512
8	MUNTANER Daniel	1505
9	LI Michael	1480
10	MICHELASHVILI Aleksandre	1471

GRADE 9

1	PENG Jackie	2236
2	LIN Tony	2130
3	THANABALACHANDRAN Kajan	2048
4	PLOTKIN Mark	1984
5	NASIR Zehn	1685
6	ZHANG Kevin Z.	1663
7	LI Robert	1574
8	ADRIANSE Adam	1555
9	YANG Bryant	1488
10	YE Stephen	1468

GRADE 10

1	KNOX Christopher	2276
2	SEMIANIUK Konstantin	2182
3	FU James	1998
4	KALRA Agastya	1778
5	POSARATNANATHAN Juliaan	1683
6	SUN Mike	1656
7	GIBLON Rebecca	1587
8	MCKEN Christopher	1574
9	JEYAPRAGASAN Kuhan	1573
10	HUANG Jayson	1558

GRADE 11

1	QIN Joey	2453
2	FLOREA Alexandru	2158
3	ZHANG Zhiyuan	2027
4	LEU Richard	2014
5	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1861
6	DENBOK Daniel	1710
7	CAI Tony	1683
8	MYERS Joshua	1626
9	SU Stanley	1543
10	CHAN Alex	1482

GRADE 12

1	GUSEV Nikita	2307
2	ITKIN David	2252
3	MARINKOVIC Mate	2238
4	GLADSTONE Simon	2194
5	INIGO Aquino	2186
6	IVANOV Michael	2123
7	WU Kevin	2069
8	LI David	1811
9	CUNNINGHAM Ross	1700
10	LIU Dan	1657

HONOUR ROLL

1	QIN Joey	2453
2	SONG Michael	2341
3	GUSEV Nikita	2307
4	PREOTU Razvan	2307
5	KNOX Christopher	2276
6	ITKIN David	2252
7	MARINKOVIC Mate	2238
8	PENG Jackie	2236
9	GLADSTONE Simon	2194
10	INIGO Aquino	2186

QUEBEC TOP TEN

GRADE 1 / KINDERGARTEN*

1	RIVAS Cedric	775
2	ST-GERMAIN Frederic	646
3	CHEN Jacques	602
4	RINGSKOG Noa	585
5	LALONDE Alexis	538
6	GOODMAN Jason	530
7	ANGULO-VALENCIA Mateo	523
8	XU Yihan	520
9	WUZAORAN Wuzhaoran *	520
10	YIN Benny	513

GRADE 2

1	HUANG Qiuyu	1303
2	KHANIN Nikita	943
3	YANG Patrick	911
4	ZENG Raymond	815
5	MOCANU Alexander	804
6	LI Johnson	734
7	XUE Elisa	705
8	GOGA Flavia-Maria	684
9	KORDA Frantisek	664
10	GENDRON Isaac	634

GRADE 3

1	RODRIGUE-LEMIEUX Shawn	1423
2	ZHONG Wenxuan	1061
3	LIU Robert	1060
4	DURETTE Francis	994
5	DEMERS Alexis	892
6	ZHOU David	870
7	TAO Eric	851
8	TUNCBILEK Emir	850
9	YU Xi Ming	836
10	XIE Dazhuo	827

GRADE 4

1	LAI William	1564
2	LIU Julia	1247
3	TESSIER Leo	1132
4	TINICA Gabriel	1062
5	JIANG Lucas	1003
6	GUAN Ziyu	980
7	ZHAO William	975
8	CAUCHY-VAILLANCOURT Marek	913
9	HE Ling	884
10	KORDA Radek	882

GRADE 5

1	FAN Run Kun	1613
2	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1505
3	ZHANG Hou Han	1458
4	LUO Muhun	1452
5	LU Daisy	1388
6	LU Jasmine	1295
7	YIP Mattew	1280
8	HUANG Teng Yi	1207
9	TURGEON Yoakim	1140
10	CHEN Zixin	1139

GRADE 6

1	ZHANG Evan	1595
2	SUN Benjamin	1540
3	SAINE Zachary	1482
4	SAHA Ananda	1448
5	YANG Eddie	1446
6	HUANG Junhao	1426
7	JOHNSON-CONSTANTIN Matthieu	1375
8	YIP William	1330
9	ST-CYR Xavier	1314
10	YU Cindy	1314

ROOKIE ROLL top grade 1-6

1	FAN Run Kun	1613
2	ZHANG Evan	1595
3	LAI William	1564
4	SUN Benjamin	1540
5	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1505
6	SAINE Zachary	1482
7	ZHANG Hou Han	1458
8	LUO Muhun	1452
9	SAHA Ananda	1448
10	YANG Eddie	1446

GRADE 7

1	WANG Kelly	1564
2	SHI Ling Yun	1491
3	LUO Alan	1455
4	VAILLANT Charles-Etienne	1368
5	GAO Christine	1360
6	SERBAN Diana	1332
7	HE Haley	1328
8	XIONG Yiwei	1287
9	LU Roselyn	1268
10	SATIR Ege Nur	1249

GRADE 8

1	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2225
2	ZHU HongRui	2059
3	YU Zong Yang	2034
4	CHANG Michael	1720
5	LIU Yu Qing	1542
6	EPURE Doru-Alexandru	1412
7	NIKULICH Andrey	1360
8	GAO Ying Chen	1312
9	LI George	1228
10	STEPHENNE Renaud	1221

GRADE 9

1	YUN Chang	1870
2	MANAILOIU Dragos	1698
3	GU Sheng-Ming	1614
4	JOHNSON Nicholas	1605
5	BRICHKO Mike	1442
6	NAZARIAN Ara	1439
7	SAMIKOV Chingis	1392
8	JIANG Nathan	1381
9	PATEL Rohan	1326
10	ROSCA Maria	1273

GRADE 10

1	LUO Zhao Yang	2126
2	LEPINE Cedric	1997
3	WU Qi You	1982
4	PAQUETTE Alexandre	1505
5	SHI Yang Tian Jiao	1478
6	XIANG Qun Tian	1451
7	LIU Mu Dong	1416
8	LORANGER Erika	1401
9	VOLKOV Vladislav	1377
10	SMIRNOV Arteme-Iouri	1304

GRADE 11

1	GUO Forest	1809
2	NIKULICH Oleksandr	1696
3	YAO Houji	1581
4	NUNEZ-PAINCHAUD Raphael	1580
5	WANG Yan	1569
6	TAN Guang Tong	1534
7	MA Indy	1514
8	YU Kexin	1499
9	XU Tian Run	1452
10	PLANTE Santiago	1448

GRADE 12

1	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2445
2	CVETKOVIC Simeon	2026
3	ROY Myriam	1984
4	ALLARD Laurent	1778
5	SPRUMONT Oscar	1732
6	COTE-LALUMIERE Tristan	1721
7	ROZYBAKIYEV Ilchin	1574
8	ISAEV Nikola	1543
9	MACISAAC Alexandre	1331
10	BILSKI Simon	1305

HONOUR ROLL

1	KRAIOUCHKINE Nikita	2445
2	CHIKU-RATTE Olivier Kenta	2225
3	LUO Zhao Yang	2126
4	ZHU HongRui	2059
5	YU Zong Yang	2034
6	CVETKOVIC Simeon	2026
7	LEPINE Cedric	1997
8	ROY Myriam	1984
9	WU Qi You	1982
10	YUN Chang	1870

ATLANTIC TOP TEN

GRADE 1

1 BROWN Alexander	587	NS
2 LOCKE Sebastian	577	NL
3 SANCHEZ Austin	438	NB
4 LI Sarah-Grace	414	NL
5 THERIAULT Cedric	394	NB
6 MACEACHERN Seamus	368	PE
7 ING Gabriel	366	PE
8 CHRISTY Julian	363	PE
9 MAILLET Marie-Eve	355	NB
10 CHRISTIANSEN Asher	338	NS

GRADE 2

1 XAVIER-LEBLANC Alexandre	694	NB
2 RUSSELL Mark	664	NL
3 LANTZ Ronan	529	PE
4 KAPRA Jerjis	505	NS
5 BOON-PETERSEN Tobin	494	NL
6 MCCREA Han	472	NB
7 DAUPHINEE William	463	NB
8 DENNY Annie-Rose	463	NL
9 LOSIER Jonathan	460	NB
10 BEFEKADU Noah	445	NB

GRADE 3

1 CHEN Norman	881	NL
2 WALSH Ian	866	NL
3 KUNDU Arnab	832	PE
4 BROWN Callum	768	NS
5 BATE Will	748	NS
6 LOCKE Heidi	706	NL
7 PIERCEY Isaac	661	NL
8 HARRIS Jonathan	640	NL
9 DOUGETTE Luc	628	PE
10 PORTER Thomas	612	NL

GRADE 4

1 MCCALLUM Karla Lynn	977	PE
2 QIU Nicholas	854	NL
3 RUSSELL Brett	844	NL
4 KOSHI Benjamin	835	NS
5 NORMAN Jeremy	777	PE
6 LATOUR Simon	761	NB
7 LI Kevin	734	NS
8 SHABBIR Adnan	715	PE
9 DENNY Ethan	709	NL
10 CUI Cynthia	616	NB

GRADE 5

1 HUANG Xingbo	1222	NL
2 KERR Ian	1019	PE
3 MANNHOLLAND Noah	882	PE
4 SINGH Sahejpreet	874	NS
5 PORTER Michael	850	NL
6 KUNDU Arjun	828	PE
7 PEARSON Ethan	815	NB
8 CHANDRAKANTH Nandan	794	NL
9 BURDEN Matthew	771	NL
10 JIANG Harvey	753	NL

GRADE 6

1 DORRANCE Lucas	1460	NS
2 BOON-PETERSEN Stefan	1211	NL
3 CHOWDHURY SoumyaDeep	1051	PE
4 COADY Nicholas	1007	NL
5 NOLAN Justin	1000	NL
6 TUFTS Sei-Jin	981	NS
7 KING Benjamin	927	NS
8 LOCKE Miles	924	NL
9 MACEACHERN Declan	918	PE
10 PICKARD Ryan	892	NL

ROOKIE ROLL top grade 1-6

1 DORRANCE Lucas	1460	NS
2 HUANG Xingbo	1222	NL
3 BOON-PETERSEN Stefan	1211	NL
4 CHOWDHURY SoumyaDeep	1051	PE
5 KERR Ian	1019	PE
6 COADY Nicholas	1007	NL
7 NOLAN Justin	1000	NL
8 TUFTS Sei-Jin	981	NS
9 MCCALLUM Karla Lynn	977	PE
10 KING Benjamin	927	NS

GRADE 7

1 SONG Sam	1437	NB
2 ROBICHAUD Alexandre	1229	NB
3 MCKEOWN Gary	1178	NL
4 RONAHAAN-WOOD Jack	1034	PE
5 HE Kate	1005	NS
6 WALSH Andrew	963	NL
7 NORMAN Bradley	874	PE
8 DELANEY Spenser	868	NL
9 WHITT Sheldon	837	NL
10 VU Nam	824	NB

GRADE 8

1 ANDERSEN Paul	1236	NL
2 SNELGROVE Stephen	1181	NL
3 SCHRADER Nathaniel	1181	NB
4 OLDFORD Noah	1179	NL
5 DAWSON Andrew	1156	NL
6 GREGORY Liam	1084	NL
7 ONG Ivanseth	1048	NS
8 HICKMAN Thomas	990	NL
9 KIEFTE Andrew	968	NS
10 MAKAROV Joshua	960	NB

GRADE 9

1 DORRANCE Adam	1913	NS
2 FENG Bob	1521	NB
3 WILKS Darius	1089	NS
4 MCKEOWN Brody	1025	NL
5 STEELE Deivan	1014	NS
6 GALLANT Cameron	998	NS
7 CHAULK Arrick	998	NL
8 LUDOVIC Diego	997	NS
9 HOLLAND Kevin	995	NS
10 PARK Kevin	982	NB

GRADE 10

1 ROBICHAUD Nicolas	1526	NB
2 PETERS Jeremy	1515	NS
3 QIU Christopher	1486	NL
4 ZHANG MaoMao	1342	NL
5 WANG Jeffrey	1304	NS
6 CROWELL Iain	1253	PE
7 HINK Ian	1094	PE
8 DAWSON Laura Jane	1083	NL
9 CHURCHILL Shea	1037	NL
10 DREW Ryan	991	PE

GRADE 11

1 BENDZSA Matthew	1521	NL
2 GALLANT Dennis	1394	NS
3 TSAI Shang-Chen	1250	NS
4 HUNT Nicholas	1166	NL
5 RAMOS Alexander	1156	NL
6 BANGLA Venu	1122	PE
7 CASTONGUAY-PAGE Yannick	1120	NB
8 CARSON Cody	1085	NB
9 NOH Jaehoon	1077	NS
10 ADAMS Kirk	1036	NS

GRADE 12

1 DROVER Justin	1606	NL
2 RAINNIE Aaron	1329	PE
3 LAPLACE Logan	1209	NB
4 LU Fred	1201	NS
5 XU Shen	1194	NS
6 SAMUSHE Naybu	1184	PE
7 GALLANT Ryan	1178	PE
8 STACKHOUSE Jordan	1162	NB
9 MATHEWS Tim	1116	NL
10 LIANG Andy	1072	NS

HONOUR ROLL

1 DORRANCE Adam	1913	NS
2 DROVER Justin	1606	NL
3 ROBICHAUD Nicolas	1526	NB
4 BENDZSA Matthew	1521	NL
5 FENG Bob	1521	NB
6 PETERS Jeremy	1515	NS
7 QIU Christopher	1486	NL
8 DORRANCE Lucas	1460	NS
9 SONG Sam	1437	NB
10 GALLANT Dennis	1394	NS

WESTERN TOP TEN

GRADE 1

1 SILLADOR Gabriel	560	AB
2 SHRESTHA Prisha	462	AB
3 GAO Edward	453	AB
4 HAN Alex	447	AB
5 TOLENTINO Khino	420	AB
6 JIANG David	359	BC
7 ZHOU Aiden	359	BC
8 GOULD Kiefer	354	MB
9 DENIS Shumeyko	338	BC
10 JIN William	328	AB

GRADE 2

1 SUPERCEANU Andi	1067	AB
2 LOW Kevin	1041	BC
3 LAU Julian	1005	AB
4 ZHU Harmony	870	BC
5 AMROM Itay	798	MB
6 BRADFORD William	792	AB
7 TOLTON Alex	786	AB
8 JAMES Rowan	778	BC
9 HUANG Patrick	692	BC
10 DOKNJAS Neil	690	BC

GRADE 3

1 ZHAO Ian	1318	AB
2 KIM Daniel	1104	AB
3 SASATA Alexander	980	SK
4 ZHANG Daniel	962	AB
5 HUSTON-EARLE Joshua	883	MB
6 KASSAM Nabil	858	AB
7 ZHENG Victor	853	BC
8 KOVAC Adrian	827	AB
9 LI Eric	779	AB
10 MAH Sean	774	AB

GRADE 4

1 GROSSMANN Lenard	1747	AB
2 WANG Kaixin	1714	AB
3 CHITRAKAR Siddhartha	1484	AB
4 LIN Kaining	1473	AB
5 CHEN Philip	1279	BC
6 PULFER Luke	1222	BC
7 CARLSON Andrew	1199	AB
8 LORTIE Isaac	1160	SK
9 LI Ying	1099	AB
10 WEI Daniel	1058	SK

GRADE 5

1 YAO David	1701	AB
2 DOKNJAS Joshua	1569	BC
3 MA Derek	1354	MB
4 TRAN Colin	1345	AB
5 WOLCHOCK Theo	1321	MB
6 TOLENTINO Patrick	1297	AB
7 BAL Nrithya	1274	AB
8 LORTIE Benjamin	1255	SK
9 MAXFIELD Emmett	1244	AB
10 SU Michael	1214	BC

GRADE 6

1 MCCULLOUGH Ian	1624	AB
2 HAN Lionel	1465	BC
3 MAWANI Adam	1400	AB
4 STEVANOVIC Boris	1355	AB
5 SHRESTHA Prayus	1312	AB
6 KUYE Tosin	1298	AB
7 STANISLUS Kevin	1281	AB
8 TOLENTINO Andre	1244	AB
9 XU Edwin	1206	BC
10 CHEN Samuel	1161	BC

ROOKIE ROLL top grade 1-6

1 GROSSMANN Lenard	1747	AB
2 WANG Kaixin	1714	AB
3 YAO David	1701	AB
4 MCCULLOUGH Ian	1624	AB
5 DOKNJAS Joshua	1569	BC
6 CHITRAKAR Siddhartha	1484	AB
7 LIN Kaining	1473	AB
8 HAN Lionel	1465	BC
9 MAWANI Adam	1400	AB
10 STEVANOVIC Boris	1355	AB

GRADE 7

1 CAO Jason	2114	BC
2 KASSAM Jamil	1883	AB
3 NIE Mark	1774	AB
4 KAISER Jakob	1732	AB
5 ZITA Matthew	1613	AB
6 MULIAWAN Lukas	1576	AB
7 LEE Jonah	1524	BC
8 WANG Poplar	1503	AB
9 BROUGHTON Alexander	1483	AB
10 LIN Rayden	1454	AB

GRADE 8

1 AWATRAMANI Janak	2241	BC
2 KONG Dezhong	1980	BC
3 DOKNJAS John	1899	BC
4 HOFFNER Noah	1843	AB
5 STANISLUS Allan	1742	AB
6 HUANG Zhonglin	1731	AB
7 SHI Diwen	1723	AB
8 WEI William	1682	AB
9 LEE Nicholas	1645	AB
10 DI BLASI Luciano	1572	AB

GRADE 9

1 MCCULLOUGH David	1772	AB
2 HUI Jeremy	1672	BC
3 SITU Dennis	1637	AB
4 DESPRES Sebastien	1629	AB
5 SWIFT Ryne	1610	MB
6 YANG Tony	1600	AB
7 ZHAO Chenxi	1587	AB
8 PAVLIC Stephen	1562	AB
9 CHAN Dante	1464	AB
10 HERDIN Mathew	1347	BC

GRADE 10

1 WANG Richard	2459	AB
2 LI Kevin	2213	MB
3 LO Ryan	2176	BC
4 LAI Jingzhou	1858	BC
5 WANG YueKai	1806	AB
6 LUDWIG Michael	1704	AB
7 ZITA Aren	1702	AB
8 BANSAL Prabjeet	1684	AB
9 SONG Henry	1645	AB
10 PANG Michael	1573	MB

GRADE 11

1 SOHAL Tanraj	2269	BC
2 LI Chang He	1854	BC
3 KALAYDINA Regina	1804	AB
4 WASSERMAN Leor	1796	MB
5 SINGH Krishneel	1715	AB
6 VIRJI Naveed	1534	AB
7 REYNOLDSON Nigel	1532	SK
8 XIAO Alice	1532	BC
9 TING Aaron	1353	AB
10 MAH Tyler	1160	AB

GRADE 12

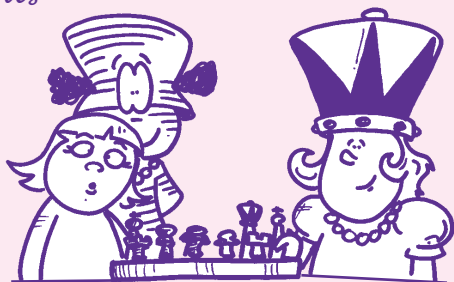
1 ZHANG David	2409	AB
2 CHENG Jack	2158	BC
3 HAN Yifei	2146	BC
4 LECLERC Etienne	1953	AB
5 THOMAS Derek	1926	AB
6 BOTEZ Alexandra	1876	BC
7 SANTOS Christopher	1740	MB
8 HAN Yiming	1684	BC
9 CANNON Farley	1641	BC
10 KIRSCH Zachary	1601	AB

HONOUR ROLL

1 WANG Richard	2459	AB
2 ZHANG David	2409	AB
3 SOHAL Tanraj	2269	BC
4 AWATRAMANI Janak	2241	BC
5 LI Kevin	2213	MB
6 LO Ryan	2176	BC
7 CHENG Jack	2158	BC
8 HAN Yifei	2146	BC
9 CAO Jason	2114	BC
10 KONG Dezhong	1980	BC

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TOP GIRLS CANADA



GRADE 1 / KINDERGARTEN*

1	ATANASOVA Rada	674	ON
2	GILANI Mysha	600	ON
3	TO Jacqueline	510	QC
4	SHRESTHA Prisha	462	AB
5	ETTIBARYAN Lena *	413	ON

GRADE 2

1	ZHU Harmony	870	BC
2	GUO Hazel	796	ON
3	MARTIN-CHASE Rose	732	ON
4	XUE Elisa	705	QC
5	GOGA Flavia-Maria	684	QC

GRADE 3

1	TAN Kylie	888	ON
2	MALE PATHIRANAGE Thisandi	809	ON
3	CHERTKOW Sasha	781	ON
4	SAVCHENKO Elizabeth	764	QC
5	RODRIGUES Julia	717	ON

GRADE 4

1	ZHANG Taylor	1404	ON
2	HENRY Nadia	1250	ON
3	LIU Julia	1247	QC
4	ZHANG Jeannie	1110	ON
5	PERRONE Anna	1066	ON

GRADE 5

1	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1505	QC
2	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1427	ON
3	PARAPARAN Varshini	1410	ON
4	BIRAROV Nicole	1401	ON
5	LU Daisy	1388	QC

GRADE 6

1	LIU Dora	1526	ON
2	WANG Constance	1505	ON
3	ZHU Jiarong	1398	ON
4	YU Cindy	1314	QC
5	MILICEVIC Ljudmila	1213	ON

PRINCESS PARADE

1	LIU Dora	1526	ON
2	WANG Constance	1505	ON
3	OUELLET Maili-Jade	1505	QC
4	KANESHALINGAM Mathanhe	1427	ON
5	PARAPARAN Varshini	1410	ON
6	ZHANG Taylor	1404	ON
7	BIRAROV Nicole	1401	ON
8	ZHU Jiarong	1398	ON
9	LU Daisy	1388	QC
10	YU Cindy	1314	QC

GRADE 7

1	WANG Kelly	1564	QC
2	SHI Ling Yun	1491	QC
3	GAO Christine	1360	QC
4	SERBAN Diana	1332	QC
5	PENG Janet	1300	ON

GRADE 8

1	GIBLON Melissa	1384	ON
2	PANDY Saramae	1325	ON
3	CHENG Megan	1324	ON
4	MILICEVIC Aleksandra	1226	ON
5	LI Kristen	1190	ON

GRADE 9

1	PENG Jackie	2236	ON
2	YUN Chang	1870	QC
3	SAMETOVA Zhanna	1306	ON
4	ROSCA Maria	1273	QC
5	BUI Keira	1049	ON

GRADE 10

1	GIBLON Rebecca	1587	ON
2	LORANGER Erika	1401	QC
3	HOU Louisa	1211	QC
4	NAZARETH Linda	1134	ON
5	TSUI Pearl	1085	AB

GRADE 11

1	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1861	ON
2	KALAYDINA Regina	1804	AB
3	WANG Yan	1569	QC
4	XIAO Alice	1532	BC
5	MA Indy	1514	QC

GRADE 12

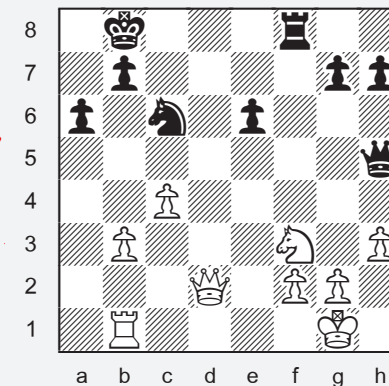
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CANADIAN QUEENS

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2	ROY Myriam	1984	QC
3	BOTEZ Alexandra	1876	BC
4	YUN Chang	1870	QC
5	VYRAVANATHAN Sobiga	1861	ON
6	KALAYDINA Regina	1804	AB
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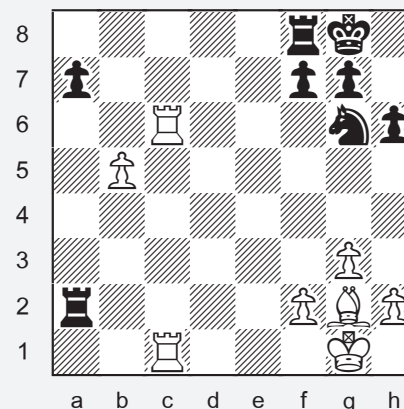
SPOTLIGHT ON QUEEN FORKS



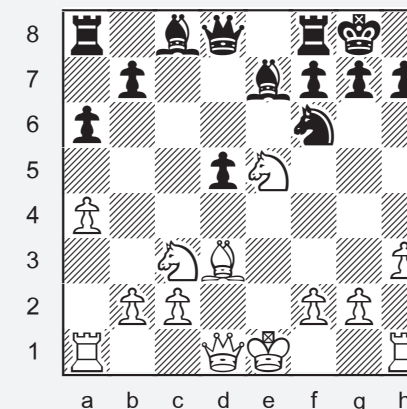
A fork is a tactic where one piece attacks two of the opponent's pieces at the same time. It's a great way to win material. Because they can move in eight directions, queens are especially good at forking.

♙ White to move can win the black rook with the queen fork 1.Qd6+! Ka7 2.Qxf8.

♚ But if Black goes first, they can win *the exchange* (R for N) by 1...Rxf3! 2.gxf3 Qg6+! 3.Kh2 Qxb1.



♙ **WHITE TO MOVE**
Win Material



♚ **BLACK TO MOVE**
Win Material

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MATE IN 1

WHITE CHECKMATES BLACK
IN ONE MOVE.

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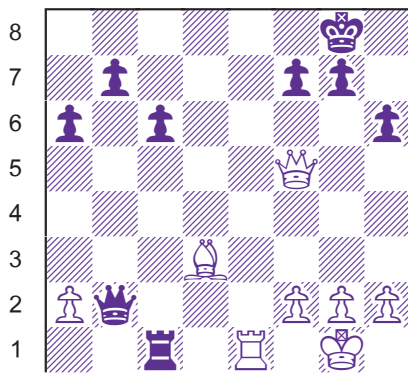
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IN TWO MOVES.

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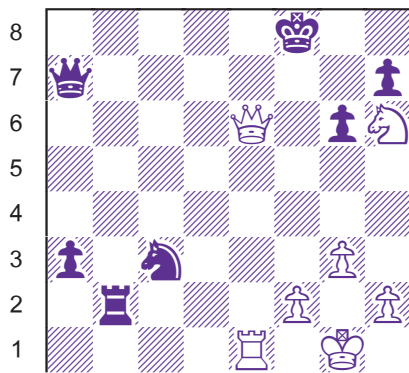


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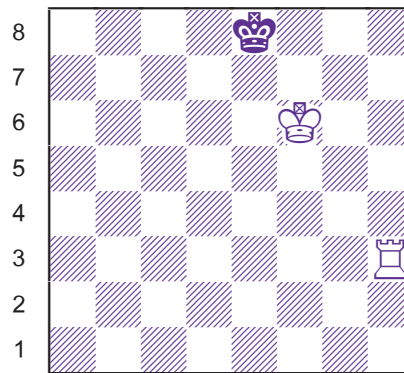
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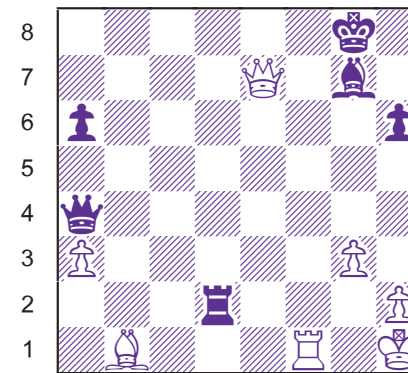
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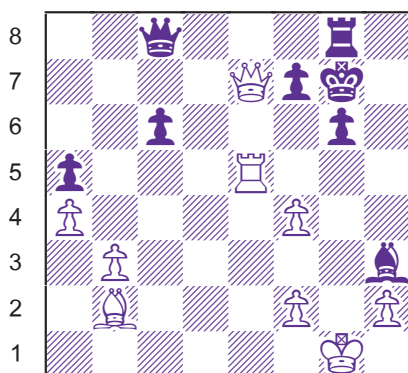
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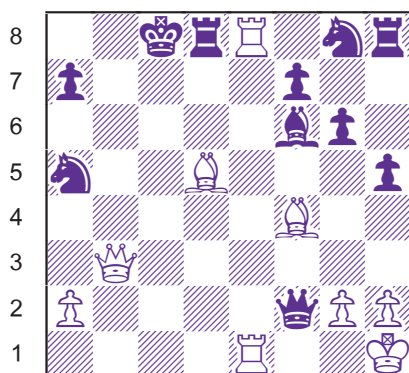
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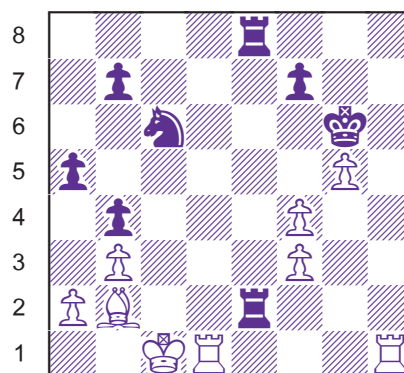
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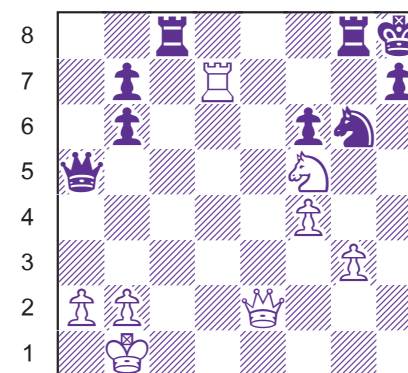
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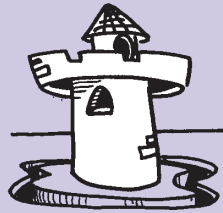


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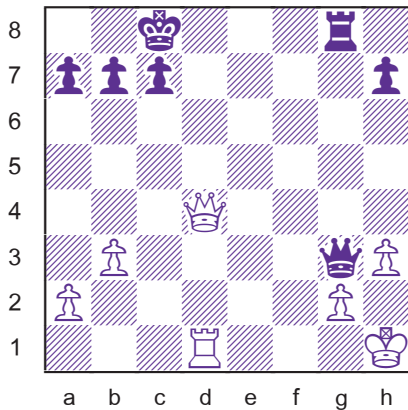
MATE IN 3

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IN THREE MOVES.

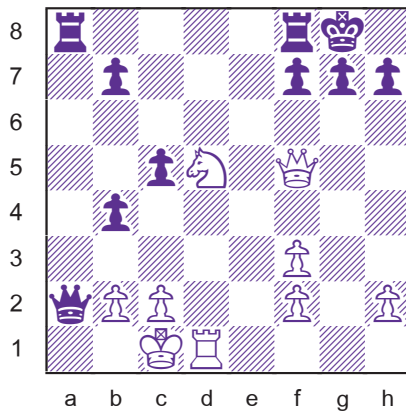
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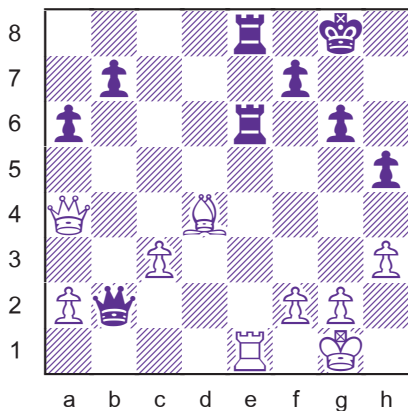
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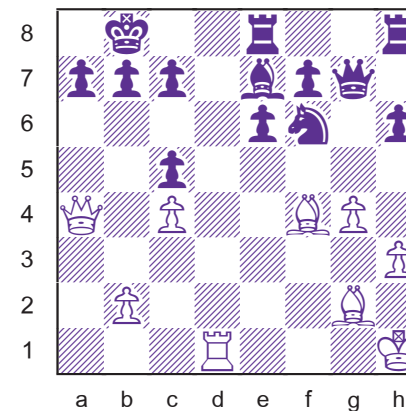
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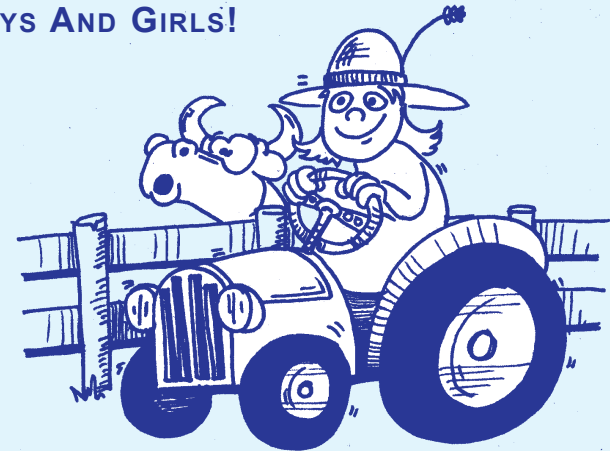


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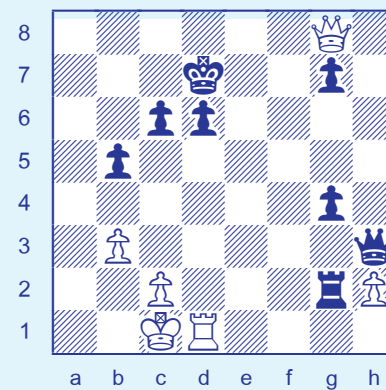
LILY'S PUZZLER

HI BOYS AND GIRLS!

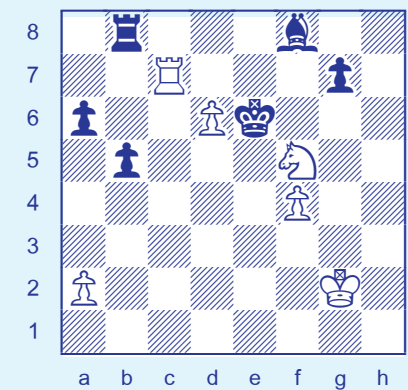


Did you ever make a move and then wish you could take it back because you saw a better move? In a normal game, takebacks are not allowed, but in these puzzles, they are. Undo ("retract") white's last move and then play mate in 1. Good luck! solutions page 49

A



B



RETRACTOR MATE IN 1

TAKE BACK WHITE'S LAST MOVE
SO THAT WHITE HAS A MATE IN 1.



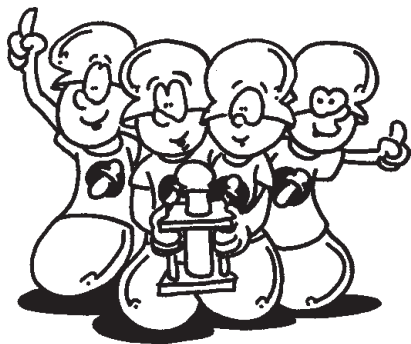
WORLD JUNIOR

The 51st *World Junior Chess Championship* took place August 2-15 in Athens, Greece.

Among the 130 players were 9 grandmasters and 33 international masters. The new champion is Alexander Ipatov (Turkey), who won on tiebreak over Richard Rapport (Hungary). Third place went to Liren Ding (China).

Three Canadians took part in the 13 round tournament. Eric Hansen (Calgary) made 9 points and tied for fifth place! Aman Hambleton (Ottawa) placed 43rd with 7 points and achieved his first IM norm! Three norms are required for the title. Kevin Wu (Toronto) scored 4 points.

65 girls competed in the *World Girls Under 20 Championship*, won by Qi Guo (China). Regina-Veronica Kalaydina (Calgary) scored 50% and placed 38th.



CANADIAN YOUTH

The *Canadian Youth Chess Championships* were held July 3-6 in Surrey, British Columbia, with 155 boys and 38 girls taking part. This year's national champions and runners-up are:

- <8 **Neil Doknjas** BC
Arhant Washimkar ON
Daniel Du BC
- <10 **Joshua Doknjas** BC
Wenyang Ming ON
Thomas Guo ON
- <12 **Jason Cao** BC
Joseph Bellissimo ON
Richard Chen ON
- <14 **Richard Wang** AB
Diwen Shi AB
Dezheng Kong BC
- <16 **Konstantin Semianiuk** ON
Alexandru Florea ON
David Itkin ON
- <18 **Arthur Calugar** ON
Jack Cheng BC
Benjamin Blium ON

The winners of the separate girls competition were:

- < 8 Kylie Tan ON
- <10 An Nguyen NB
- <12 Qiyu Zhou ON
- <14 Agniya Pobereshnikova ON
- <16 Regina Kalaydina AB

Good luck to everyone at the *World Youth Championship* in Slovenia next month.

CANADIAN CHAMPIONSHIP

The 82nd *Canadian Championship* took place at Olympic Stadium in Montreal from August 4 to 11. The nine round event attracted 36 of the country's best players.

Defending champion Grandmaster Bator Sambuev of Montreal went undefeated, giving up one draw, to successfully keep his title. By winning this *zonal tournament*, he qualifies to play at the 2013 *World Cup* in Norway.

GM Anton Kovalyov (Montreal) came in second place and four players tied for third: Nikolay Noritsyn (Toronto), Leonid Gerzhoy (Toronto), Richard Wang (Edmonton), and Nikita Gusev (Toronto).

Thirteen year old Richard Wang was awarded the IM title after winning a playoff against Nikita Gusev. Three cheers for Richard Wang, Canada's newest international master!

The *Canadian Women's Championship* was held at the same time and was won by Natalia Khoudgarian (Toronto). It was the third time she has been national champion. Tying for second place were Lali Agbabishvili (Toronto) and Myriam Roy (Montreal).

SUPERFEST

The 2012 *Superfest*, sponsored by the Chess'n Math Association, was played on August 15-19 in scenic Sainte-Adele, Quebec at the resort hotel Le Chantecler.

There were 66 participants in the 5 round tournament, which included adults and kids.

The winner of the top section was GM Bator Sambuev, with a three way tie for second between Jean Hebert, Nikita Kraiouchkine, and Roman Sapozhnikov.

First place in sections B and C went to 7th graders Ling Yun Shi and Kelly Wang.

MANITOBA

The *Manitoba Championship* was held from April to July in Winnipeg. The winner for the impressive fifth year in a row was 21 year old master Trevor Vincent. The runner up was Kevin Li.

TORONTO

The *Toronto Closed Chess Championship* took place from March to June. The ten player round robin finished in a tie between Michael Kleinman and Victor Plotkin. In third place was Artiom Samsonkin.

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CHESS OLYMPIAD

The 40th Chess Olympiad was held in Istanbul, Turkey from August 27 to September 9. There were 150 teams from around the world in the open section of the 11 round tournament.

Armenia, led by grandmaster Levon Aronian, came first, winning on tiebreak over second place Russia. Ukraine came in third. The other teams in the top ten were: 4.China, 5.United States, 6.Netherlands, 7.Vietnam, 8.Romania, 9.Hungary, 10.Azerbaijan.

Canada, who started the event ranked 53rd, finished 52nd. Team members were Bator Sambuev, Leonid Gerzhoy, Nikolay Noritsyn, Eric Hansen, and Edward Porper.

The biggest news from the tournament was the incredible performance by 20 year old Eric Hansen (Calgary). He played ten games, including six against grandmasters and scored 7½ points, with only a single loss. This result was good enough to earn the GM title. Congratulations Grandmaster ERIC HANSEN!!

The women's competition was won by Russia, followed by China and Ukraine. Canada placed 64th out of 127. Our top scorers were Jackie Peng and Yelizaveta Orlova.



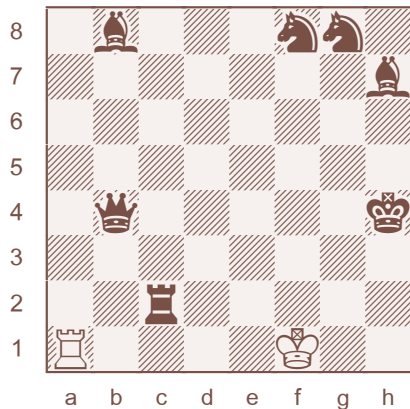
GRANDMASTER ERIC HANSEN



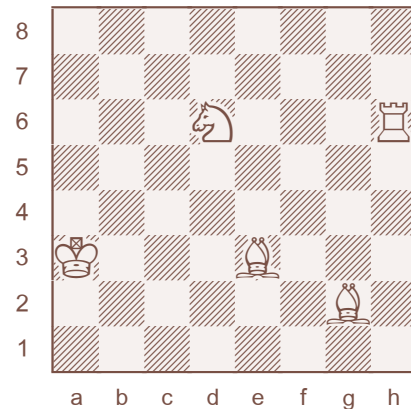
WELCOME TO MY CONTEST !

Can you solve the 4 puzzles on the next page? Mail me your answers if you do. One lucky person will win a Kiril T-shirt. White moves first in the mate problems. In case you never saw a "maze" or "loyd" before, here are some examples:

In a **CHESMAZE** only one white piece moves. In this maze, it is the white **rook**. The object is to capture the black king without taking any pieces or moving where the rook can be taken. Draw a line to show the path of the rook. This is a **Maze in 10**. That means you should get the king in ten moves or less.



The **TRIPLE LOYD** was invented by Sam Loyd, a famous chess composer. They are called triple because there are three parts. In part **A**, you place the black king on the board so that he is in checkmate. In part **B**, place him in stalemate. For part **C**, put the black king down so that White has a mate in 1. solutions page 49



We received 2 correct solutions to June's contest.

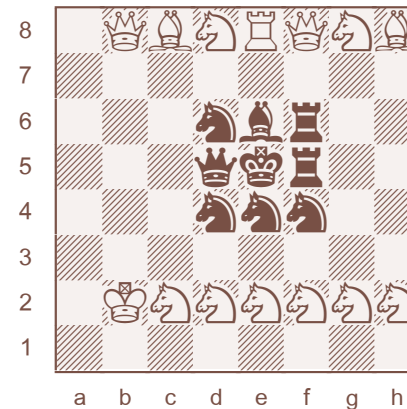
- 1 Mate in 1 1.h4#
- 2 Mate in 2 1.Qxf7+ Rxf7 2.Re8# (1...Kh8 2.Qxf8#)
- 3 Maze Nh8-g6-f4-h3-f2-h1-g3-f1-h2-f3-e1-c2-a3-b1-c3-a2-c1-b3-c5-b7-d8-c6-a7-c8-b6-a8-c7-e8-f6xg8
- 4 Loyd A.Kf3 B.Kd3 C.Kc5 (Qa5#)

The winner of the drawing for a Kiril T-shirt is :

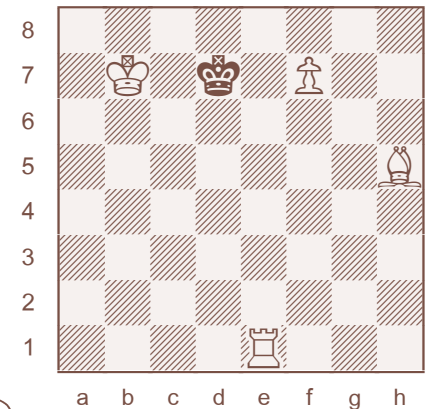
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KIRIL'S KONTEST

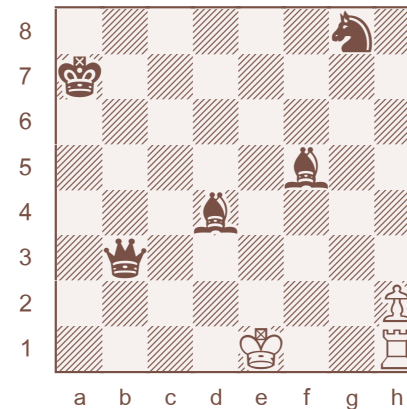
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or e-mail to: kiril@chess-math.org Deadline : November 24



MATE IN 1

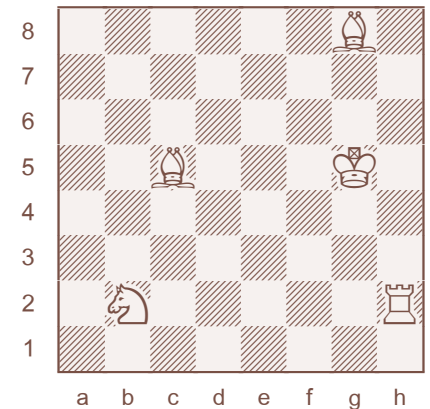


MATE IN 2



CHESMAZE IN 13

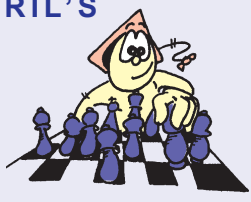
Only the white **ROOK** moves. Capture the black king without taking any pieces or moving where the rook can be taken.



TRIPLE LOYD

PLACE THE BLACK KING IN :

- A** Checkmate
- B** Stalemate
- C** Mate in 1



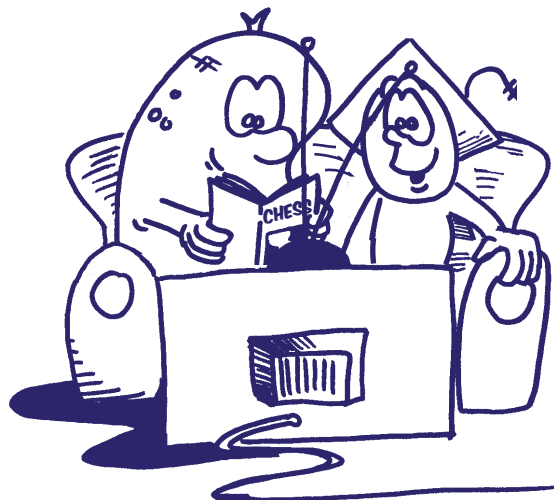
THE MEGAZOID VS. GM POTATOWOSKI

It was another sunny Sunday in Chesstown, and time again for the Megazoid to defend his title. He was the park chess champion and he played a challenge match once every week.

Nobody knew what the Megazoid was or where he came from, but he sure could play chess! He had not been beaten in years. However, today he was facing Grandmaster "Spud" Potatowoski and everyone was excited about the big game.

Spud was a great chess player, but otherwise he was an ordinary potato. He didn't go outside much. The sun was bad for his skin. He preferred to stay indoors, sitting on the couch in front of the TV.

This weekend, Kiril the Pawn had a better idea. He talked Spud into going to the park. If anyone could beat the Megazoid, it was him.



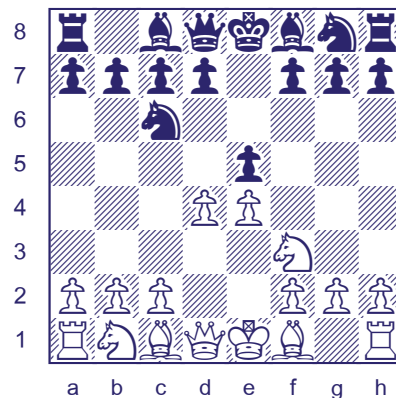
White **THE MEGAZOID**
Black **GM POTATOWOSKI**

1. e4 e5

The battle begins in classical style.

2. Nf3 Nc6

3. d4



SCOTCH GAME

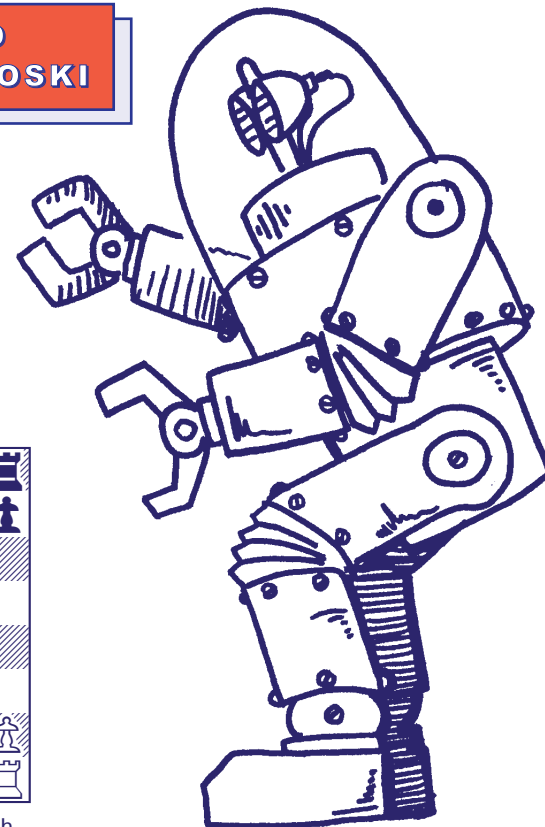
When Kiril saw this move, he whispered to Lily, "Do you think the Megazoid is from Scotland?"

Lily giggled. "I don't know, he doesn't look Scottish."

3. ... exd4

This capture is best. After 3...d6 4.Bc4, White has the better position.

White can also stop Black from castling with 3...d6



4.dxe5 Nxe5 5.Nxe5 dxe5 6.Qxd8+ Kxd8. But without the queens on the board, the black king is not in any danger.

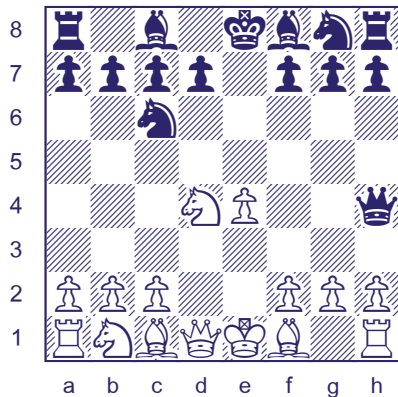
4. Nxd4

The main line now goes 4...Bc5 5.Be3 Qf6! 6.c3 Nge7 7.Bc4, with a tough fight ahead.

Another common move is 4...Nf6, when Megazoid has his own special line: 5.Nxc6 bxc6 6.Qd4!?

4. ... Qh4

Grandmaster Potatowski is an expert on opening theory. This queen move, which attacks the e-pawn, was a favourite of the first world champion, Wilhelm Steinitz.



5. Nc3

The Megazoid develops a knight and defends e4.

5. ... Bb4

Spud pins the knight and threatens 6...Qxe4+.

6. Qd3

A bolder plan is to give up the e-pawn for an attack. 6.Ndb5! Qxe4+ 7.Be2.

White threatens a fork at c7. Two mistakes then are:

7...Qxg2? 8.Bf3

7...Ba5? 8.Nxc7+!

After 7...Bxc3+ 8.bxc3!, the move 8...Qe5? loses to 9.f4!, so the only way to

guard c7 is 8...Kd8, giving up the right to castle. With the queens on the board, the black king on d8 is in a dangerous situation.

6. ... Nf6

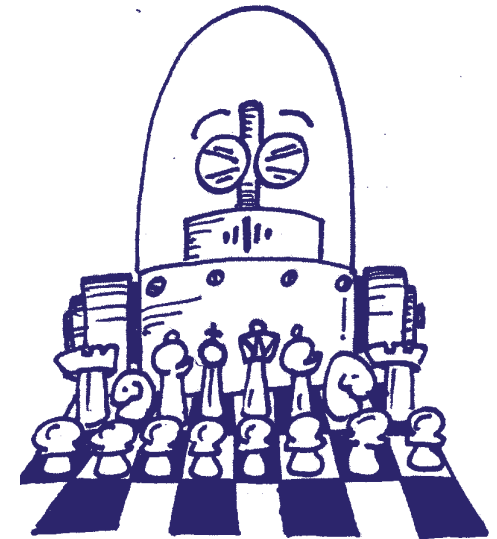
This potato is persistent. He attacks e4 again.

7. Nxc6 dxc6

8. Bd2

The Megazoid unpins his knight to keep the e-pawn protected.

He didn't like 8.e5 Ng4, which is good for Black.



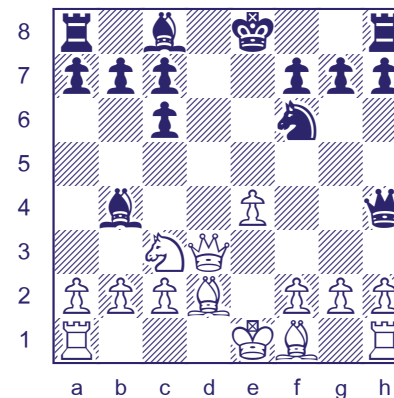
9. Bxc3 Nxe4

9...Qxe4+ 10.Qxe4+ Nxe4 leads to a white advantage after 11.Bxg7 Rg8 12.Be5 Nd6 13.0-0-0.

Spud is a happy guy now. He is up a pawn and he is attacking f2.

10. Qd4!

The Megazoid looked the potato in the eye, as if to say "I see your plan. Can you see mine?"



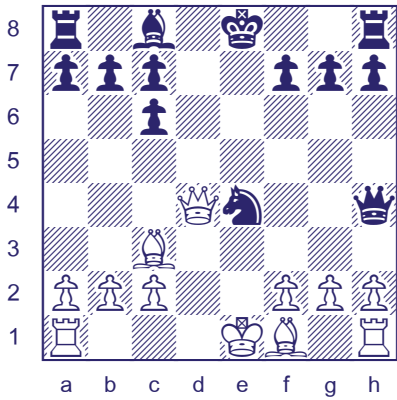
8. ... Bxc3?

Spud is eager to win the white e-pawn, so he trades off one of its defenders.

A safer course is 8...0-0, giving his king shelter.

It's easy to calculate that 10.Bxg7? Qxf2+ 11.Kd1 is losing for White. One line is 11...Bg4+ 12.Be2 Bxe2+ 13.Qxe2 0-0-0+! Another is 11...Bg4+ Kc1 12.Qe1+!





10. ... Qe7

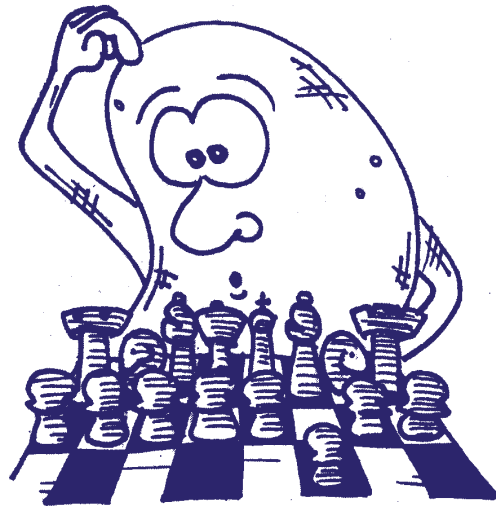
Black's knight is pinned. 10...Nxf2? and 10...Nxc3? both lose to 11.Qxh4. And 10...0-0? 11.Qxg7# is even worse.

11. 0-0-0

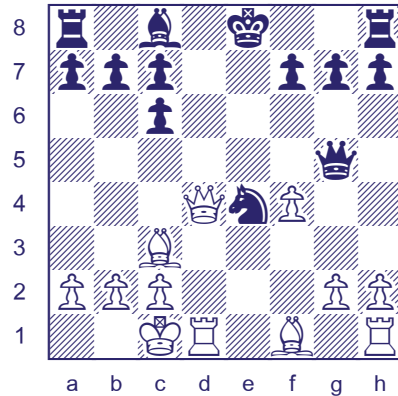
It's time for the white king to exit the e-file. 11.Qxg7? allows a discovered check by 11...Nxc3+.

11. ... Qg5+?

GM Potatowski has a good idea. He would like to take the bishop on c3, but the line 11...Nxc3 12.Qxg7! Nxa2+ 13.Kb1 Rf8 14.Kxa2 is "messy". So he guards the pawn on g7 first (with a check) before he takes the bishop. Well, anyhow, that was his plan.



12. f4!



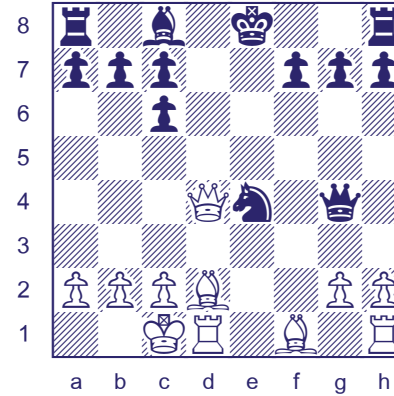
Spud expected to reach a solid position with an extra pawn after 12.Kb1 Nxc3+ 13.Qxc3 0-0.

But the Megazoid has calculated more deeply. He gives up a pawn to lure the queen to f4.

12. ... Qxf4+

13. Bd2 Qg4

The black knight is pinned so he cannot capture the bishop. 13...Nxd2? 14.Qxf4



MATE IN 3

The Megazoid picked up his queen and winked at Kiril and Lily.

14. Qd8+ WoW!

Then his friendly metallic voice said, "Check, Spud."

14. ... Kxd8

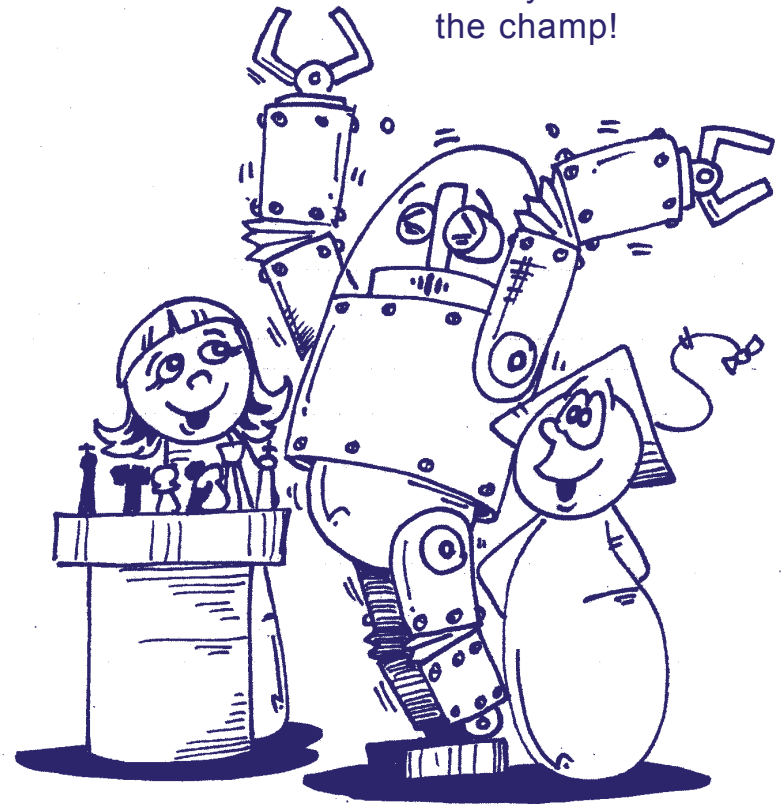
15. Bg5+!

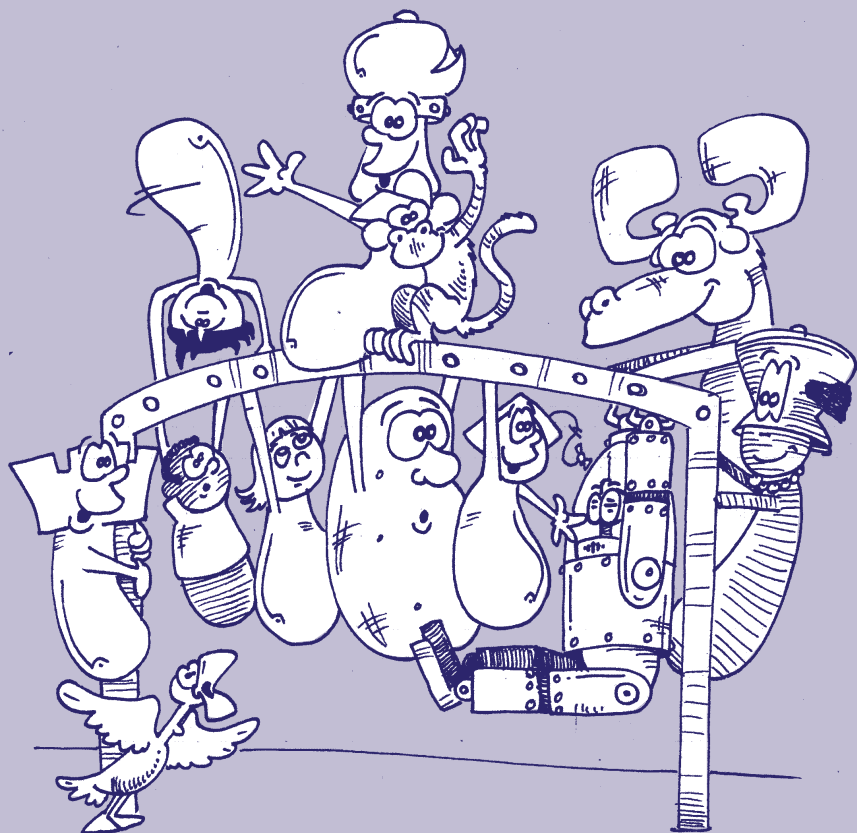
Double check.

15. ... Ke8

16. Rd8#

The Megazoid did a little victory dance. He was still the champ!





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- 1997 Montreal
- 1998 Winnipeg
- 1999 Summerside
- 2000 Calgary
- 2001 Toronto
- 2002 St. John's
- 2003 Montreal
- 2004 Winnipeg
- 2005 Ottawa
- 2006 Moncton
- 2007 Quebec City
- 2008 Edmonton
- 2009 Toronto
- 2010 Montreal
- 2011 Victoria
- 2012 Halifax

Ontario has placed first 16 of the last 18 years. In other years, they were second 5 times and third 3 times (1991-1993).

Quebec has been team champion 8 times, including the first 6 years. They also won in 1997 and 2009. They came in second place 14 times. They were third in 2000 and fourth in 2011.

British Columbia has come in second place 5 times (1991-1993, 2000, 2011) and third 14 times, including 2012.

Alberta has placed fourth 14 times and fifth 5 times (1994-96, 2005-06). They finished in third place in 2003, 2004, 2005, and 2011.

Manitoba was third in 2002 and 2006, fourth in 2003 and 2005, and fifth in 1990-91, 2001, 2004, and 2007-12.

New Brunswick came fifth 4 times (1992, 1998-2000) and sixth 14 times. In 1989 they finished in third place!

Nova Scotia came in sixth place in 2005, 2007, and 2008. They were seventh 6 times.

Newfoundland has placed fourth 3 times (1994-1996) and fifth 3 times.

Saskatchewan was sixth in 1998 and 2011, and seventh in 1997, 2000, 2004.

Prince Edward Island had its finest moment in 1993 when they came in seventh place.



CANADIAN CHESS CHALLENGE



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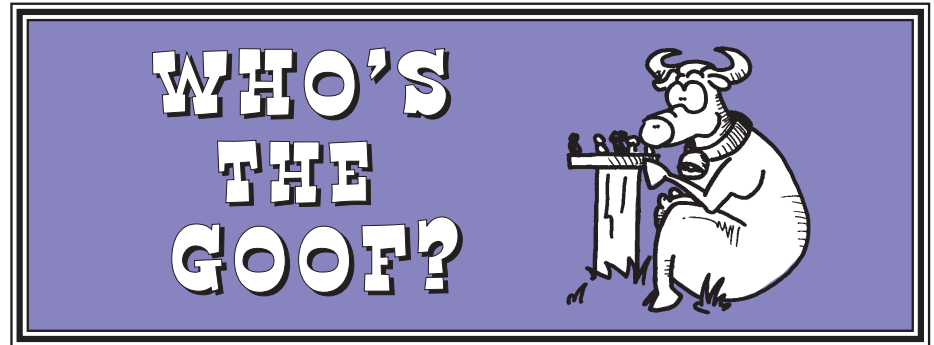
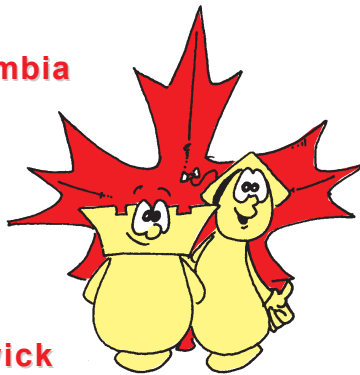
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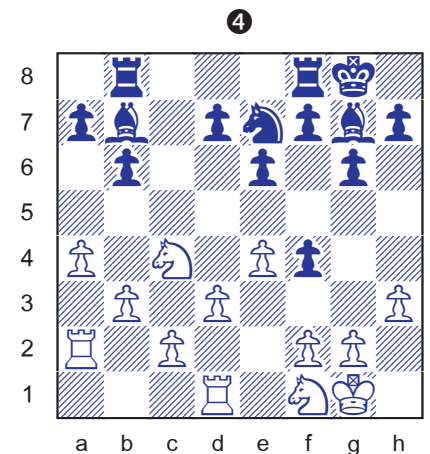
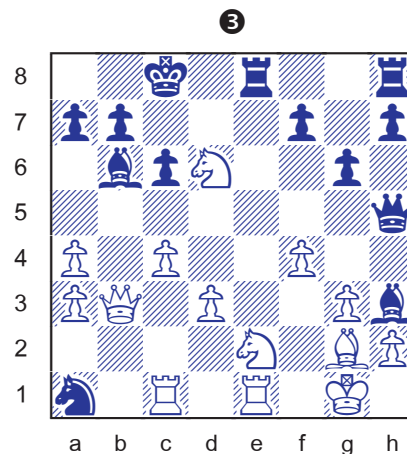
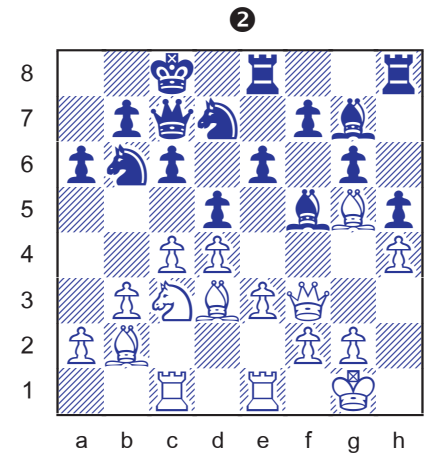
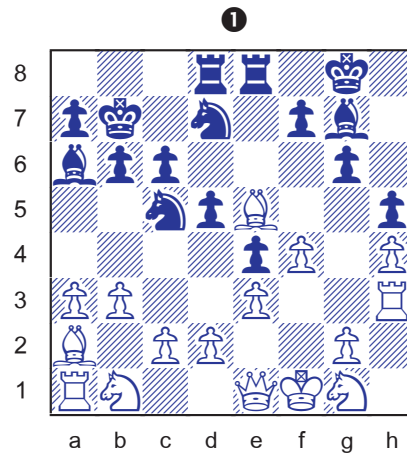
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TOURNAMENTS FOR KIDS

TORONTO

Chess'n Math 416 488-5506

Marshall McLuhan Sec. School
1107 Avenue Rd.

November 11 *Grand Prix* Sunday
registration 10:00 - 11:00 am

October 28 Sunday
December 2 Sunday
December 16 Sunday
registration 11:30 - 12:00 noon

THORNHILL

Yuri Lebedev 905 370-2299

Knights Of Chess
5635 Yonge St. Suite 201
registration 1:20 - 1:55 pm
every Sunday

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95 Lavinia Ave.
check-in 12:45 - 1:00 pm
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Oriole Community Centre
2975 Don Mills Rd. W.
registration 12:45 - 1:00 pm
every Sunday

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Brad Thomson 613 565-3662

Glebe Community Centre
175 Third Ave.

registration 12:00 - 1:00 pm

October 28 *Grand Prix* Sunday
December 16 Sunday

CORNWALL

Raymond Lacroix 613 938-6364

Cornwall Public Library
registration 12:00 - 12:30 pm

November 3 Saturday
December 1 Saturday

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ALL EVENTS ARE SCHOLASTIC RATED.

MONTREAL

Chess'n Math 514 845-8352

registration 11:15 - 11:45 am

Loisir St-Henri
530 du Couvent

October 28 Sunday
November 11 *Grand Prix* Sunday
December 2 Sunday

SCHOLASTIC TEAM TOURNAMENT

Jean de Brebeuf College
3200 St.Catherine

December 1 grades K-3, 7-11

December 2 grades K-6

4 Players From Same School
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QUEBEC YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Jean de Brebeuf College
MONTREAL

November 23-25

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www.fqechecs.qc.ca

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NL Individual Championship
Cowan Heights School
100 Canada Dr.

registration 9:30 - 10:00 am

November 12 Monday

HALIFAX

Blaine Gallant 902 488-7507

Mount Saint Vincent University
166 Bedford Hwy Rosaria Centre
registration 11:15 - 11:45 am

November 4 Sunday
December 2 Sunday

WINNIPEG

Jeremie Piche 204 237-1497

University of Winnipeg
Lockhart Hall room 5L24
515 Portage Ave.

registration 12:15 - 12:45 pm

October 21 Sunday
November 4 Sunday
December 2 Sunday

CALGARY

Simon Ong 403 274-2954

Calgary Junior Chess Club
274-3359 27 Street Northeast

October 27 Saturday
November 17 Saturday
December 1 Saturday

EDMONTON

Bruce Thomas 780 473-1557

SASKATOON

Don MacKinnon 306 445-8369

St. George School
748 Redberry Rd.
registration 9:45 - 10:15 am

October 27 Saturday

VICTORIA

Brian Raymer 250 595-0025

University of Victoria
Human Social Devel. Bldg

registration 9:30 - 9:45 am

October 21 Sunday
December 2 Sunday

CHARLOTTETOWN

Dwayne Doucette 902 894-5158

Colonel Gray High School
175 Spring Park Rd.

registration 12:00 - 12:50 pm

October 28 Sunday
November 25 Sunday
December 9 Sunday

RATINGS

Scholastic ratings for all players who have taken part in a CMA tournament during the last three years can be found on the *Chess'n Math Association* webpage:

www.chess-math.org

Click the "ratings" tab on the homepage, which will take you to the *ratings page*:

www.chesstalk.com/elo/pub

Once on the *ratings page*, with Kiril and the map of Canada, you can search ratings by name, province, age, or grade! You can also see a list of recently rated tournaments at the bottom of the page. Click on the tournament to see a crosstable of the event.

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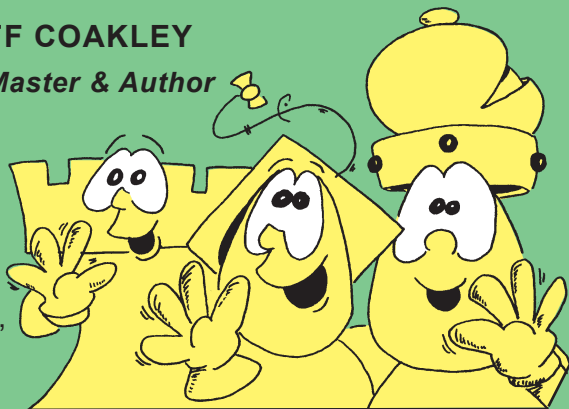
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* SOLUTIONS *

MATE IN 1

- 1 1.Qc8#
- 2 1.Qg8#
- 3 1.Rh5#
- 4 1.Qh3#

MATE IN 3

- 1 1.Qd7+ Kb8 2.Qd8+ Rxd8 3.Rxd8#
- 2 1.Nf6+ gxf6 2.Rg1+ Kh8 3.Qxf6#
- 1...Kh8 2.Qxh7#
- 3 1.Qxe8+ Rxe8 2.Rxe8+ Kh7 3.Rh8#
- 1...Kh7 2.Qh8#

LILY'S PUZZLER

- A. take back 1.0-0-0

then play 1.Ra7#

- B. take back 1.e5xd6 en passant!
- then (with a black pawn on d5),
- play 1.Nd4#

- 4 1.Qxa7+ Kxa7 2.Bxc7 any 3.Ra1#
- 1...Kc8 2.Qa8# (or 2.Qxb7#)

TRIPLE LOYD

A. Kc5

B. Ke5

C. Ka1 (Rh1#)

COMBO MOMBO

- 1 1.Rxg6 fvg6 2.Bd5+ Kh7
- 3.Bxa2
- 2 1...d4 2.Ne2 Qa5+
- 3.Qd2 Qxe5

MATE IN 2

- 1 1.Rd3 Kf8 2.Rd8#
- 2 1.Rf8+ Bxf8 2.Qh7#
- 3 1.Rh5+ Kf4 2.Rf5#
4. 1.Rxh7+ Kxh7 2.Qh5#

CHESSMAZE

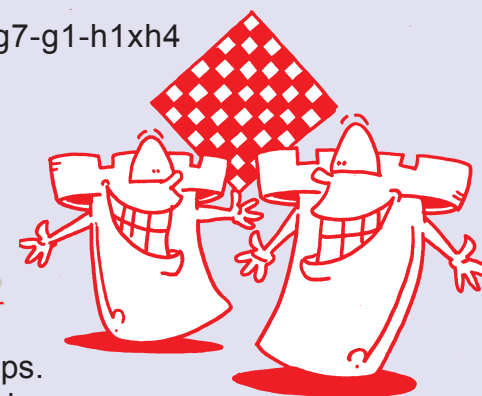
Ra1-d1-d8-e8-e3-f3-f7-g7-g1-h1xh4

TACTICS 101

- | | |
|----------|----------|
| 1 1.Qb3+ | 4 1.Qa6+ |
| 2 1.Qh5+ | 1.Qe6+ |
| 3 1.Qe4+ | 1.Qg4+ |
| 1.Qe5+ | |

WHO'S THE GOOF?

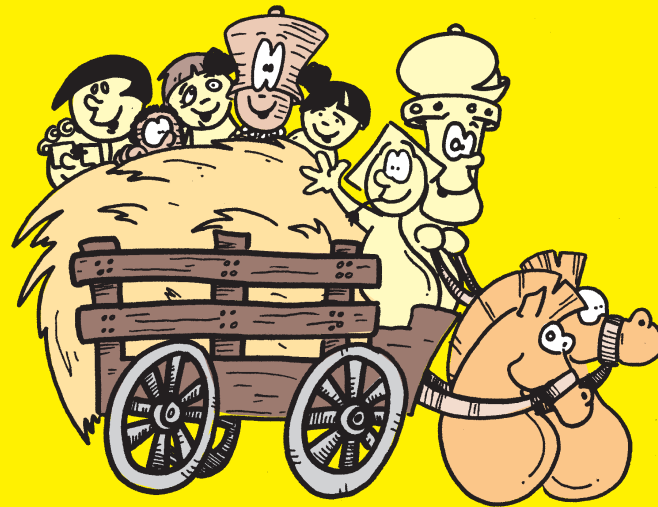
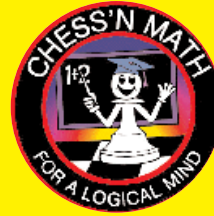
1. Black has two kings.
2. White has three bishops.
3. Both kings are in check.
4. The goof is the black pawn on f4. It must be the pawn that started on c7, so it made three captures on dark squares to reach f4. White is missing three pieces, but one of them is the light-square bishop, which could not have been captured on a dark square.



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