FIRST MOVE TO MASTERY



Beginner Chess Puzzle Book

420 Puzzles • Learn Checkmates • Master Tactics

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Welcome to Your Chess Puzzle Journey!

So... you've picked up a chess puzzle book. Nice move already!

This book is packed with 420 beginner-friendly puzzles to help you spot checkmates, learn smart tactics, and stop missing those "obvious" moves (we've all been there).

Each chapter focuses on one simple idea. First, you'll get a short explanation. Then you'll solve 30 puzzles based only on that idea. No pressure. No clock ticking. Just you, the board, and that aha! moment.

Will you get stuck sometimes? Of course. That's part of the fun. Take a breath, look again, and try a different idea. Remember — every strong chess player once stared at a board thinking, "What am I missing?"

Alright then... enough talking. Let's get started :-)

How to Use This Book

1. Start by reading the topic intro page.
2. Look for the main idea before making a move.
3. If one plan doesn't work, that's okay — try another.
4. Don't guess. Slow down and think.
5. Stuck? Take a short break and come back.
6. Solutions are at the end of the book — check them only after you've tried :-)

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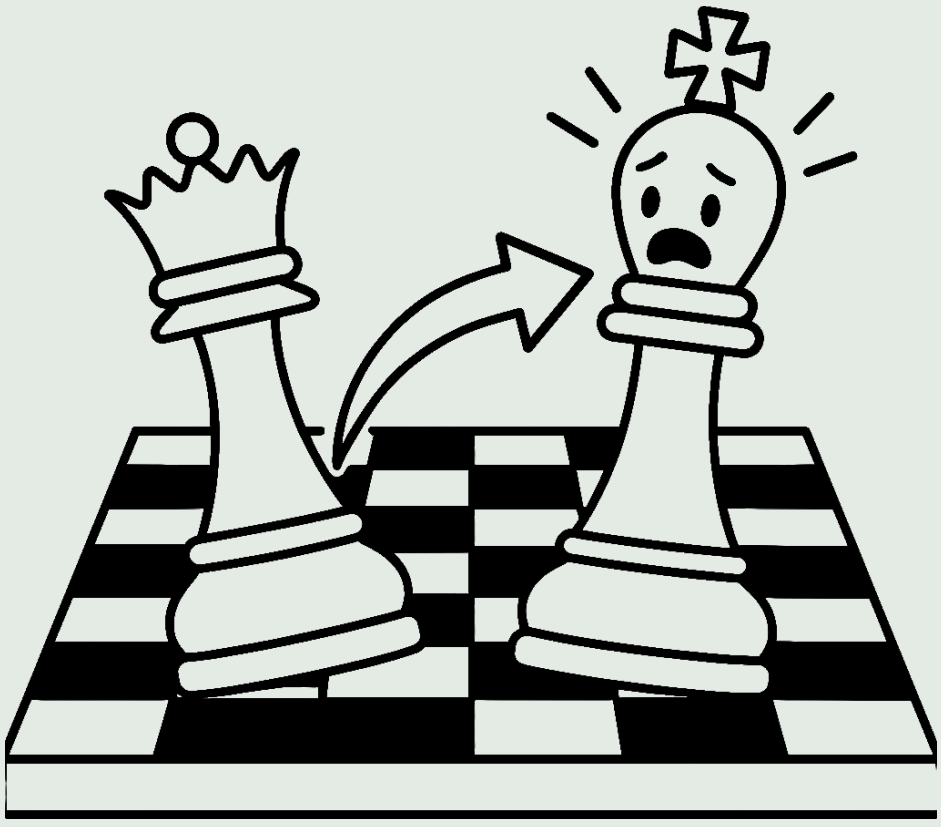
Checkmate in 1 Move

You're one move away from victory! A Checkmate in 1 means there's a move right now that ends the game — checkmate on the spot.

These puzzles help you train your eyes to spot that winning move fast.

Step 1: Look for checks. all different ways.
Step 2: See where the king can escape...
Step 3: Block every escape. Easy, right?

One Move, thats it!



Checkmate in 1 Move

Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



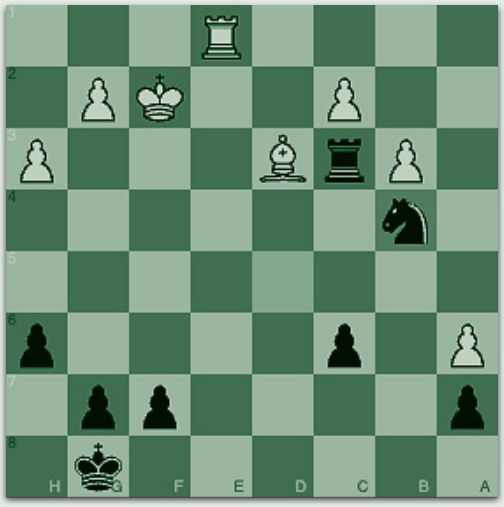
h6g7 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



f7h8 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



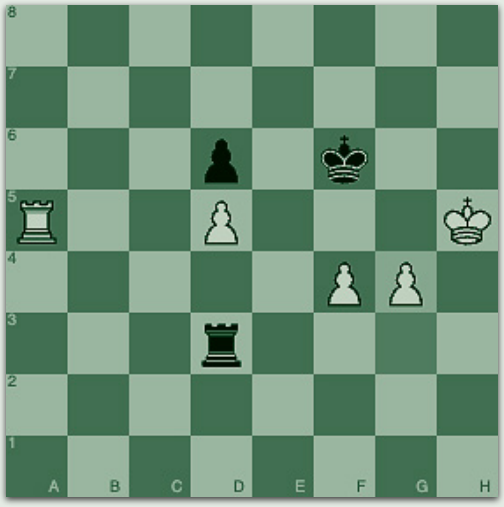
d5b4 _____

Puzzle #4: (Black to move)



d1d6 _____

Puzzle #5: (Black to move)



g3g4 _____

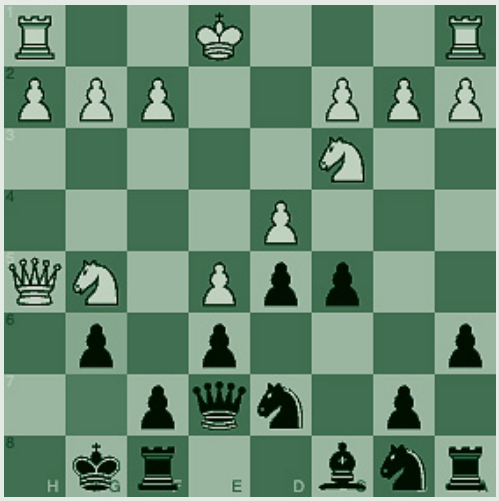
Puzzle #6: (White to move)



e5f7 _____

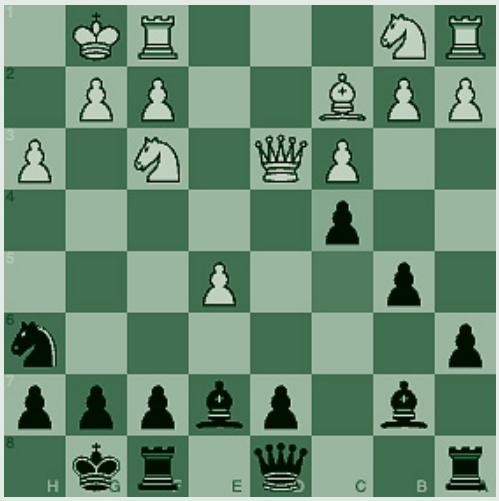
Checkmate in 1 Move

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



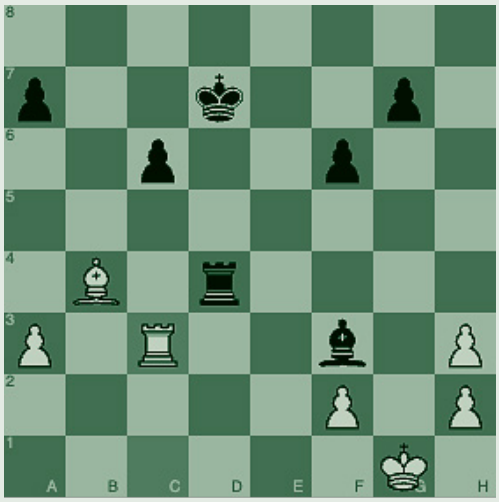
g7g6 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



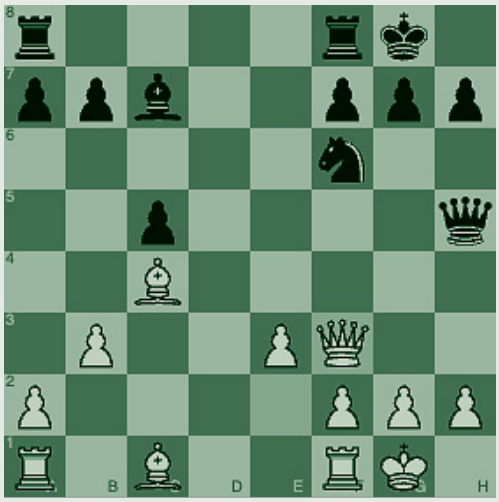
c5c4 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



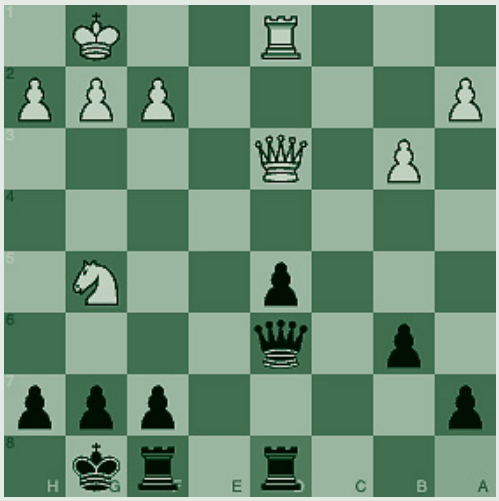
c1c3 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



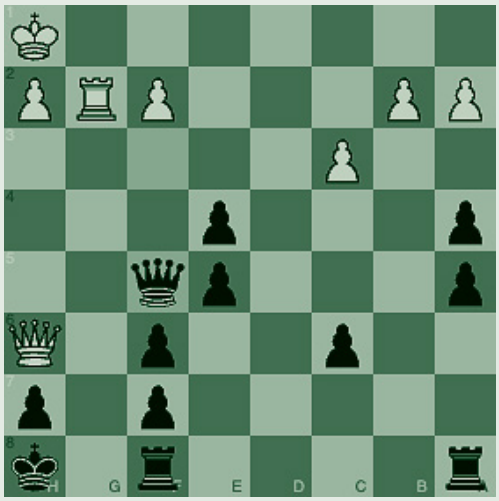
e2f3 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



a8d8 _____

Puzzle #12: (White to move)



f3f5 _____

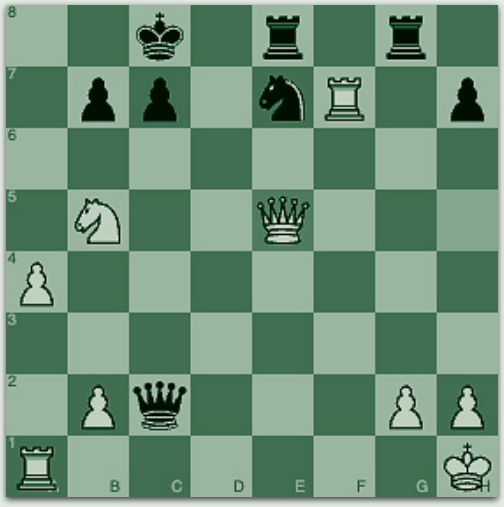
Checkmate in 1 Move

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



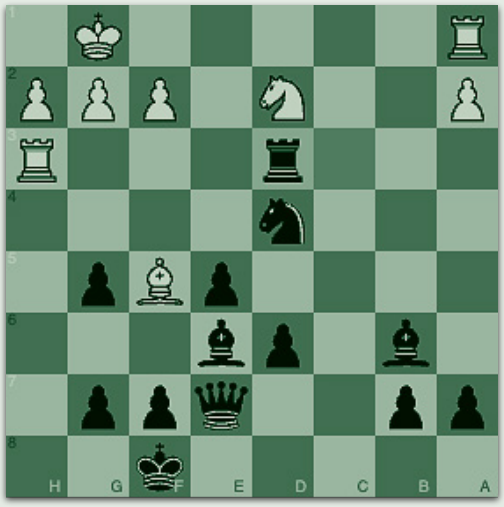
c2c1q _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



h5e5 _____

Puzzle #15: (White to move)



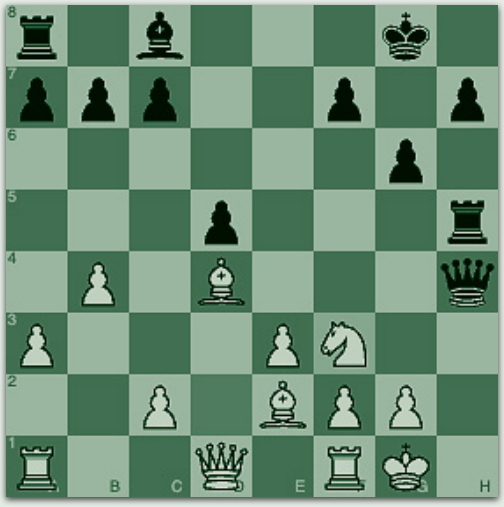
c3d3 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



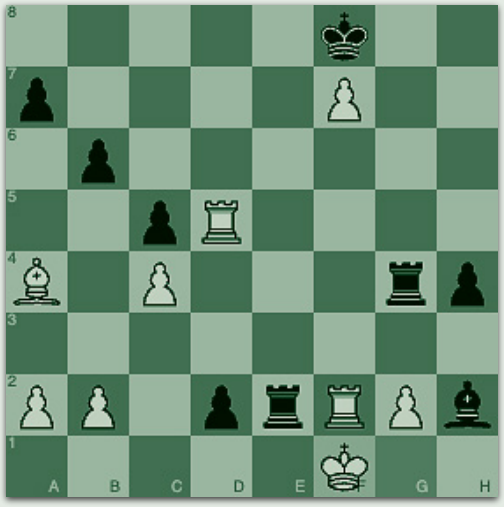
f5d3 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



d2f3 _____

Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



g1f1 _____

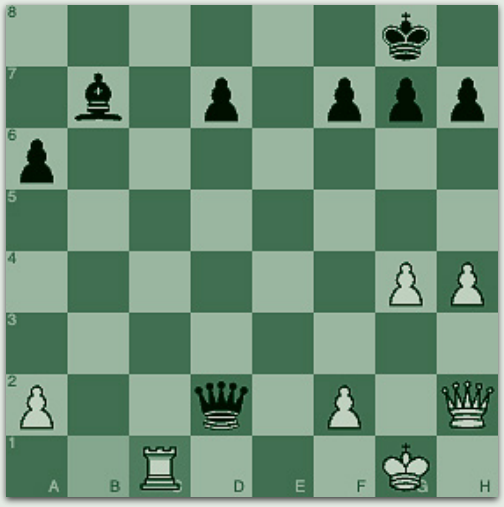
Checkmate in 1 Move

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



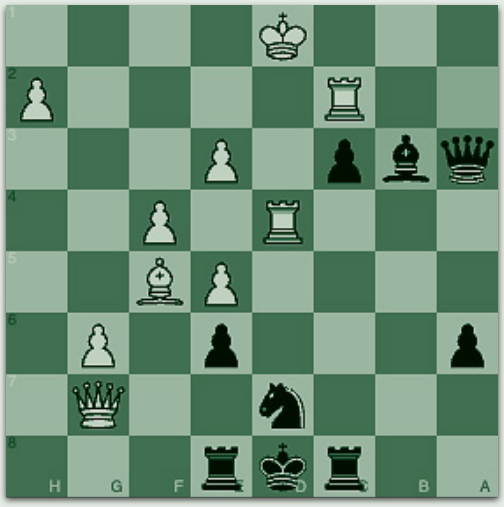
a6d3 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



b1c1 _____

Puzzle #21: (White to move)



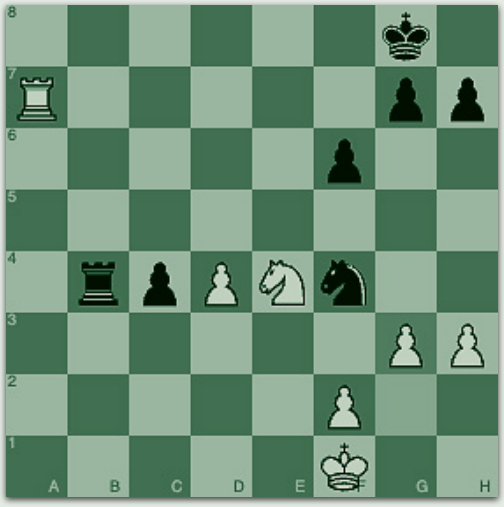
a2b3 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



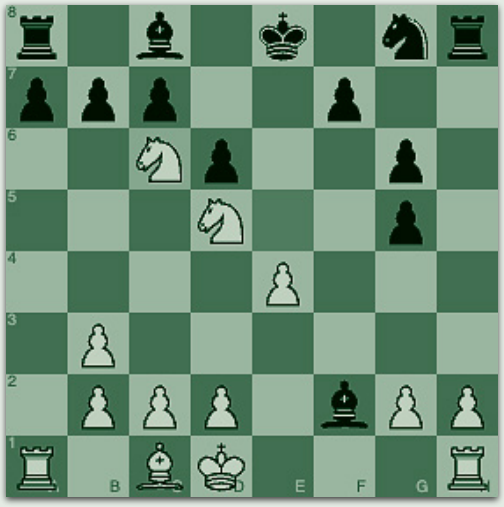
c4b2 _____

Puzzle #23: (Black to move)



g2g3 _____

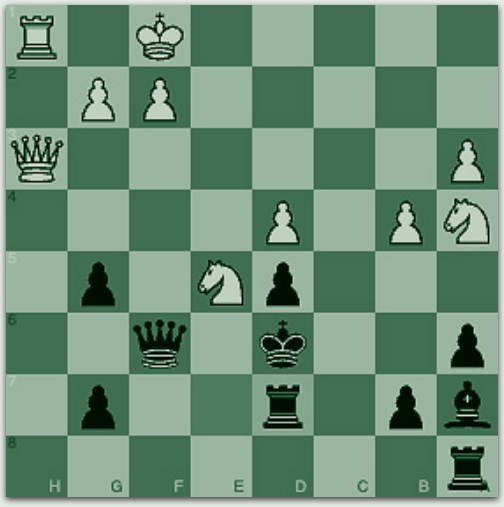
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



e5c6 _____

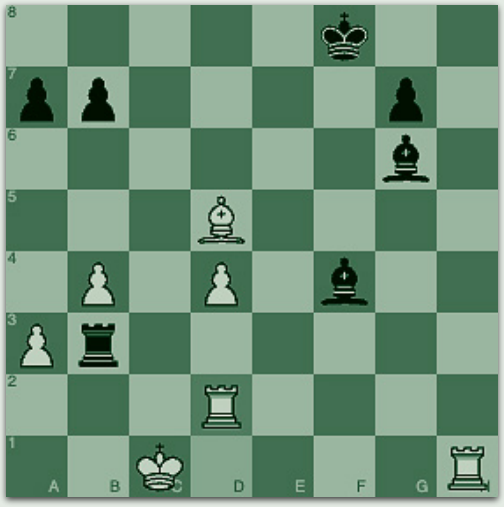
Checkmate in 1 Move

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



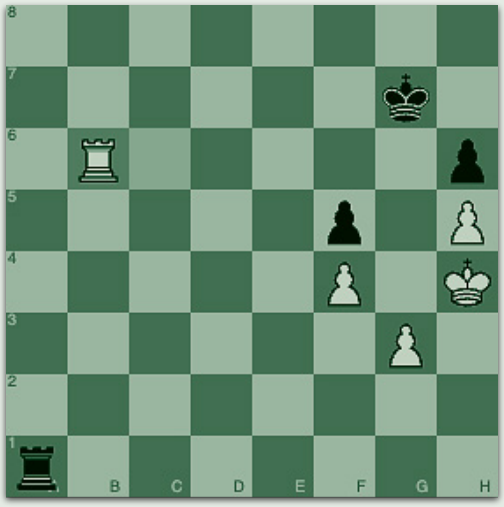
e7d7 _____

Puzzle #26: (Black to move)



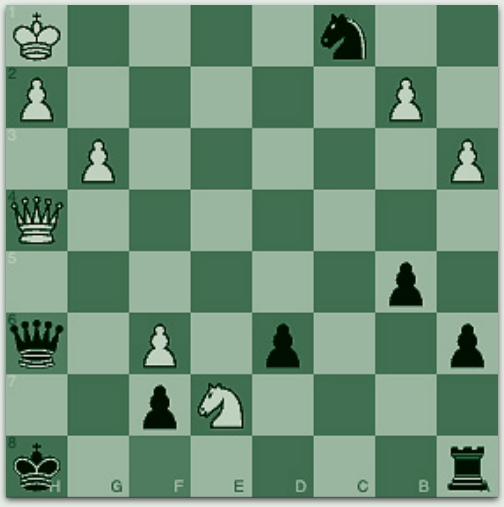
d1d2 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



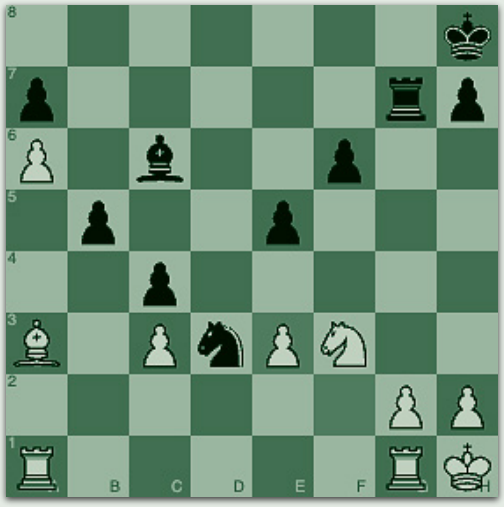
c6b6 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



f8h6 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



f2e3 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



c8h3 _____

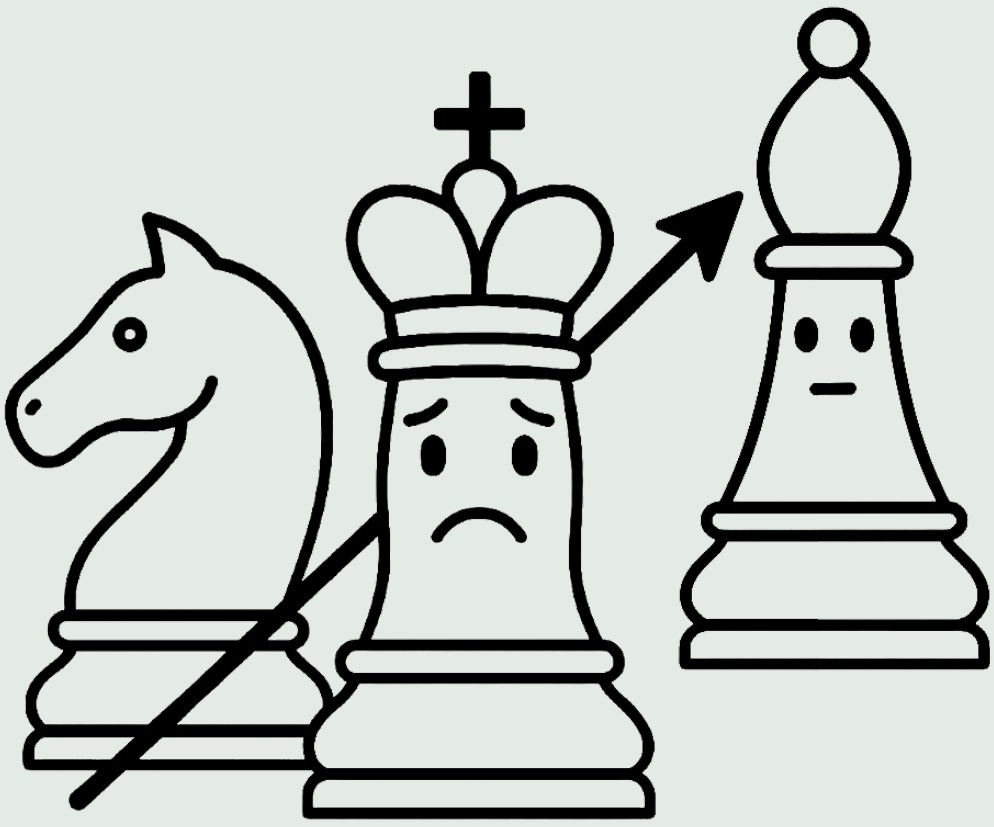
Checkmate in 2 Moves

A Checkmate in 2 means you can checkmate the king in two moves, no matter what your opponent does.

Your first move sets the trap. The second one finishes the job. Now it's not instant — but it's still forced.

Step 1: Find a strong move that creates a threat.
Step 2: Ask, "How can the king respond to it?"
Step 3: Make sure every response still leads to checkmate.

Think one move ahead... then one more.
Plan it. Trap it. Checkmate in 2.



Checkmate in 2 Moves

Total puzzles: 30

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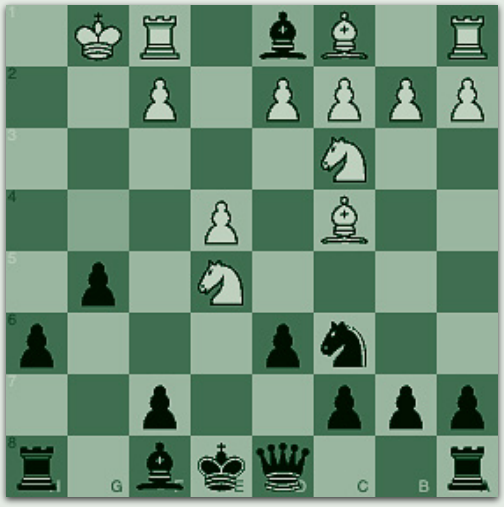


g4d1 _____ e8e7 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



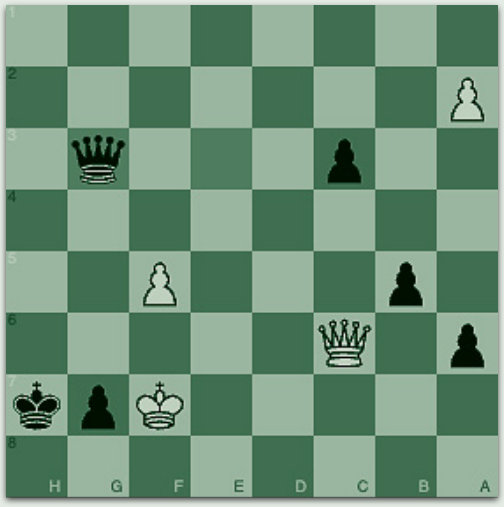
e3d4 _____ g2f1 _____

Puzzle #3: (Black to move)



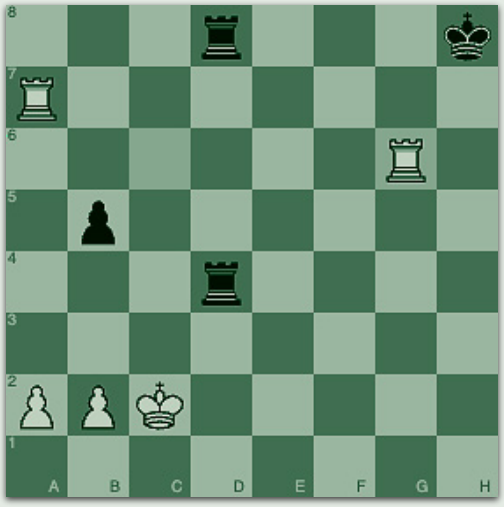
g1g2 _____ g2g1 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



e3g3 _____ g3h2 _____

Puzzle #5: (Black to move)



c6g6 _____ c2b1 _____

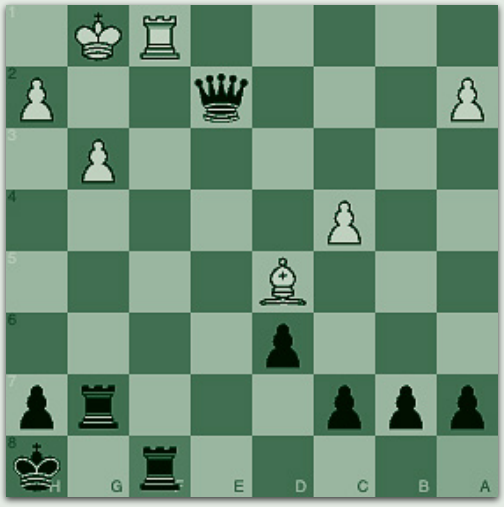
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



g3e5 _____ d2c1 _____

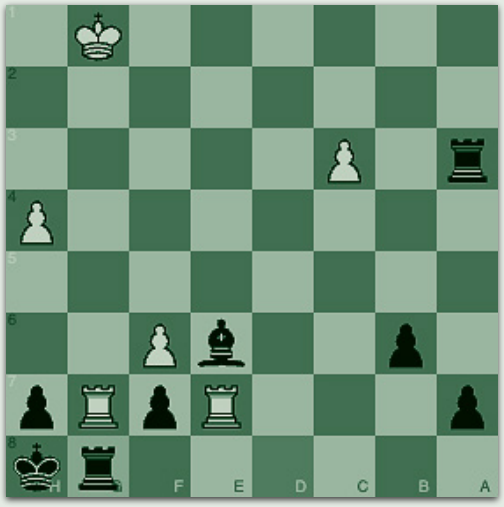
Checkmate in 2 Moves

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



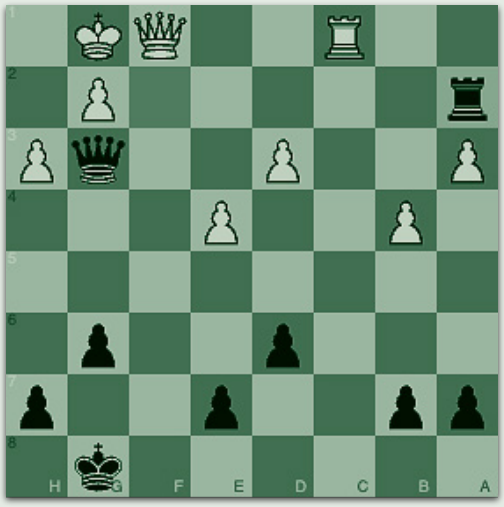
a8f8 _____ g7g8 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



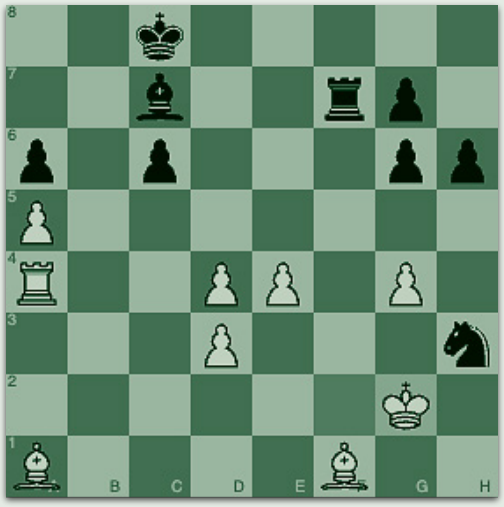
d8g8 _____ h8g8 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



f2a2 _____ g8g7 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



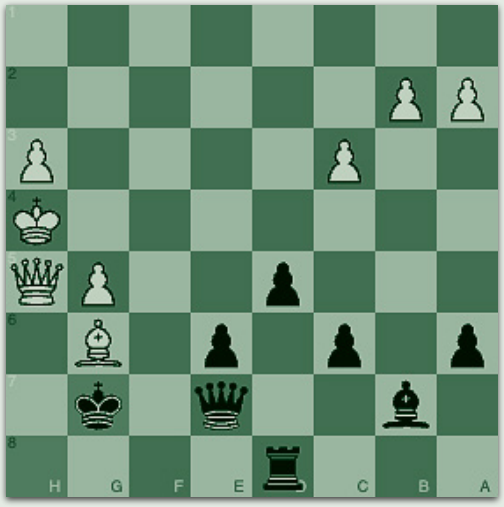
f2g2 _____ g2h3 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



e8e5 _____ e5e8 _____

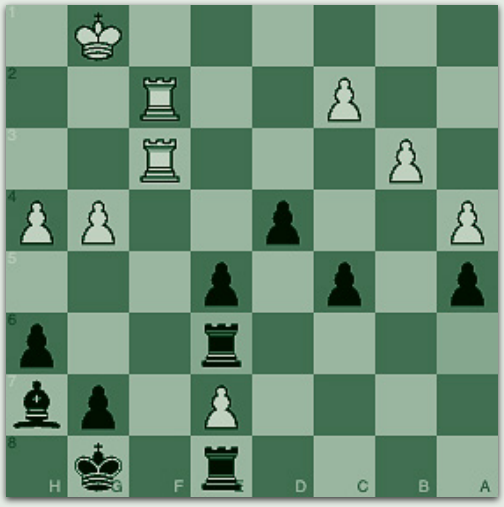
Puzzle #12: (White to move)



h8g7 _____ g7f8 _____

Checkmate in 2 Moves

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



a6e6 _____ e8f8 _____

Puzzle #14: (White to move)



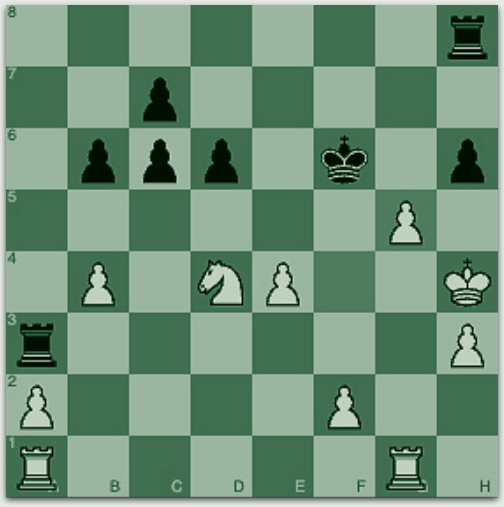
g8h7 _____ h7g8 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



e8a4 _____ a4d1 _____

Puzzle #16: (Black to move)



f4g5 _____ h4g4 _____

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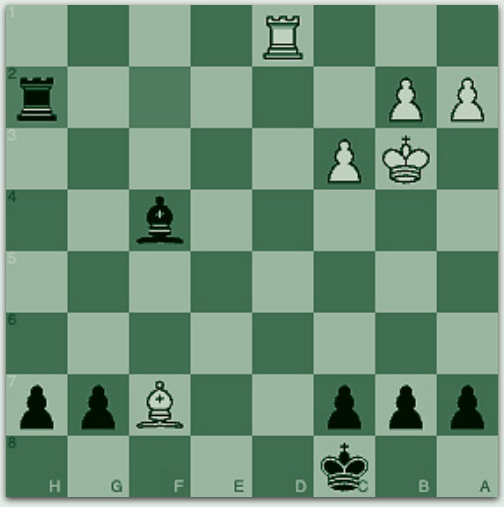


f2h2 _____ c8b8 _____

Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



d6d4 _____ d1e1 _____

Checkmate in 2 Moves

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



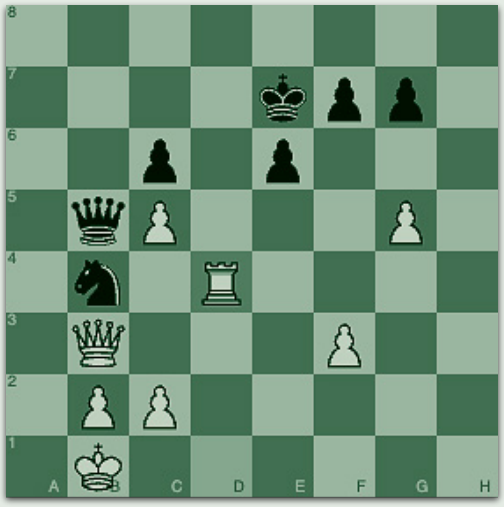
e2f3 _____ a1e1 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



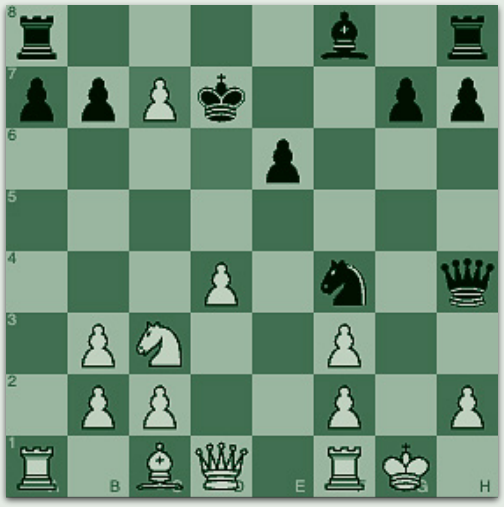
h3e3 _____ b1a1 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



d1d4 _____ d4d1 _____

Puzzle #22: (Black to move)



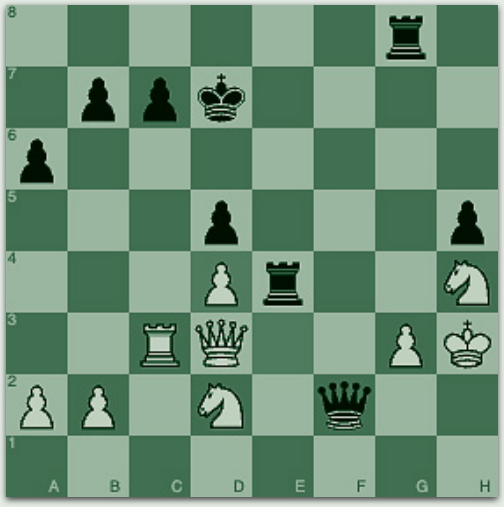
d6c7 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



c6f3 _____ h8g7 _____

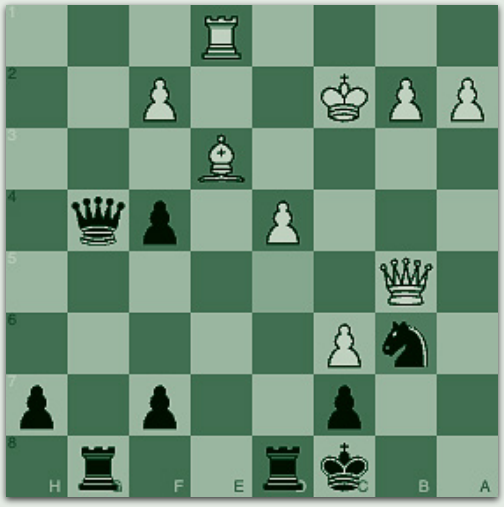
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



e3d4 _____ g3h4 _____

Checkmate in 2 Moves

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



d5b6 _____ c8b8 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



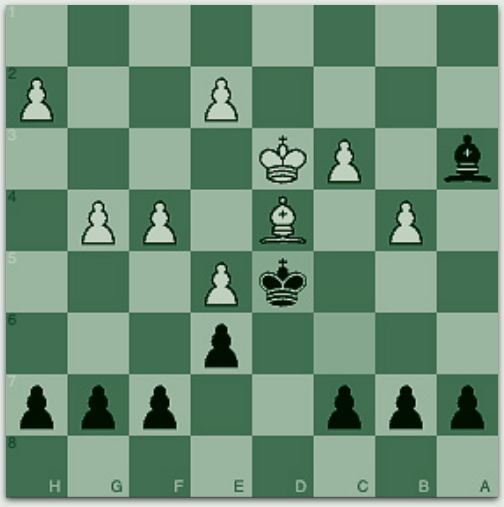
h7g6 _____ g8f7 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



g7g5 _____ b7c6 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



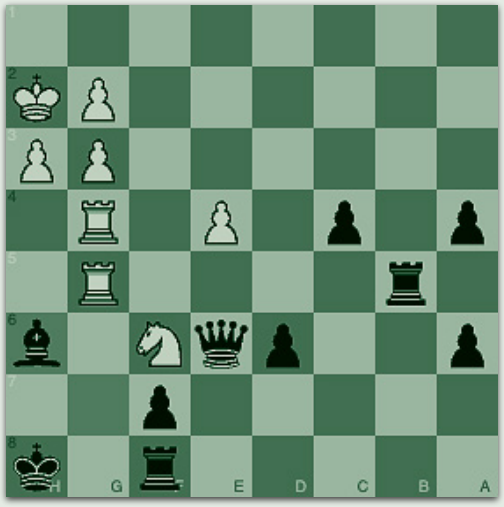
c6d5 _____ a7a6 _____

Puzzle #29: (White to move)



d6d5 _____ c8b8 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



g7h6 _____ f8g8 _____

Checkmate in 3 Moves

This is where planning really starts.
A Checkmate in 3 means you need three moves to finish the game — and every move matters.

You're not just checking the king. You're forcing it into a worse position step by step.

Step 1: Make a move that limits the king or threat.
Step 2: Push the king closer to danger.
Step 3: Deliver the final checkmate.

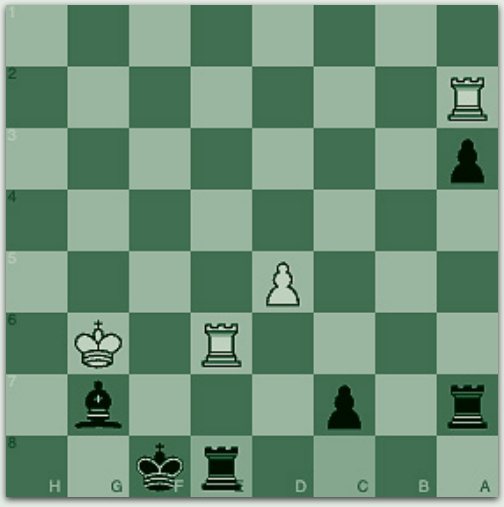
Think ahead, stay calm, and trust the plan.



Checkmate in 3 Moves

Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



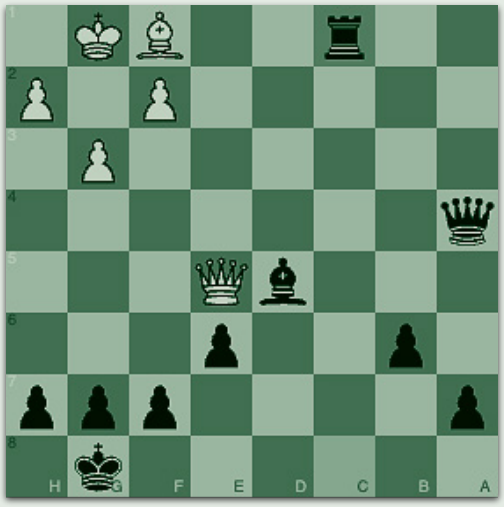
c8e8 _____ g7f6 _____ f8g8 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



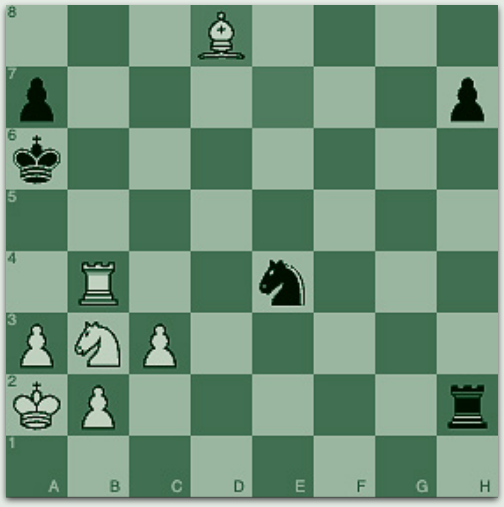
f6g5 _____ g8h8 _____ c8f8 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



c8c1 _____ c1c8 _____ a4e8 _____

Puzzle #4: (Black to move)



e7d8 _____ a2a1 _____ b3c1 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



h5h4 _____ h2g3 _____ h4h3 _____

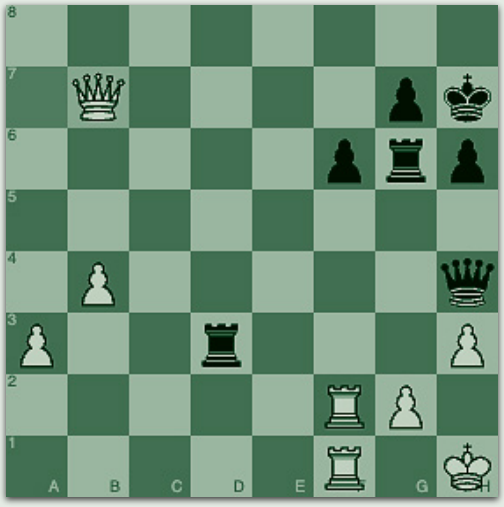
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



a5c4 _____ g1h1 _____ a1f1 _____

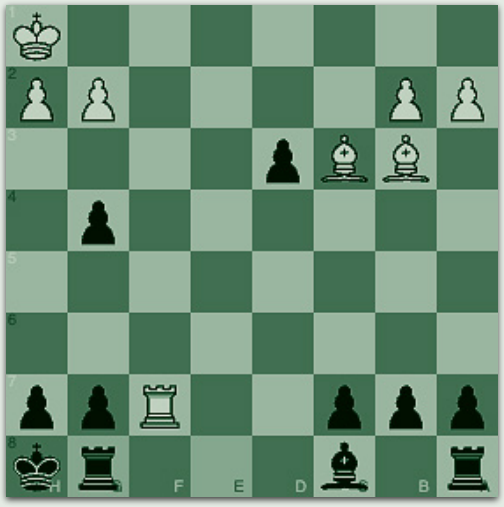
Checkmate in 3 Moves

Puzzle #7: (Black to move)



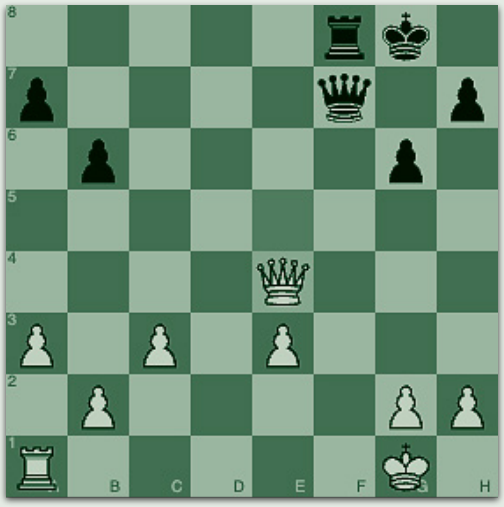
a7b7 _____ g2h3 _____ f2h2 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



e8g8 _____ g8g7 _____ g7g8 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



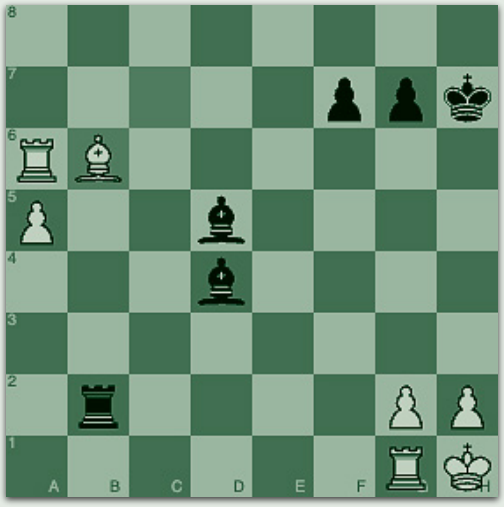
e5e4 _____ g1h1 _____ a1f1 _____

Puzzle #10: (White to move)



d1e2 _____ f8f7 _____ g7h8 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



c7b6 _____ g1g2 _____ g2g1 _____

Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



d2f4 _____ f4c1 _____ e4e1 _____

Checkmate in 3 Moves

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



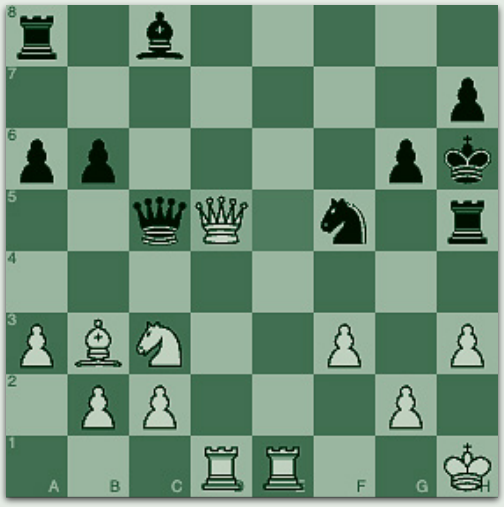
e8e2 _____ d4d8 _____ e2e8 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



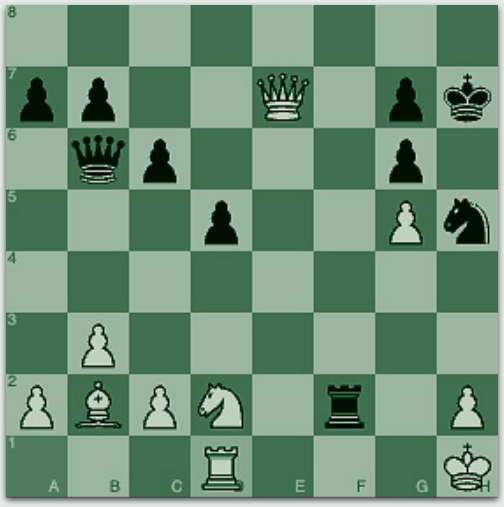
g1f1 _____ f1g1 _____ b1e1 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



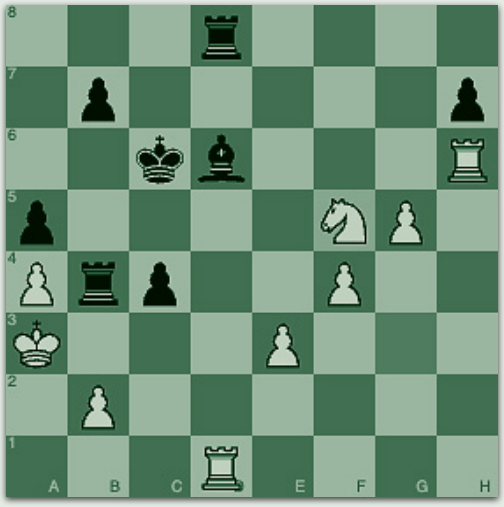
e5d5 _____ h1h2 _____ g2h3 _____

Puzzle #16: (Black to move)



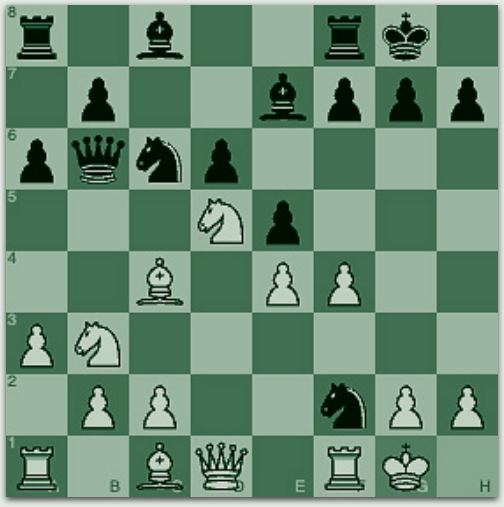
a1d1 _____ h1h2 _____ h2h3 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



g3f5 _____ a3a4 _____ a4a5 _____

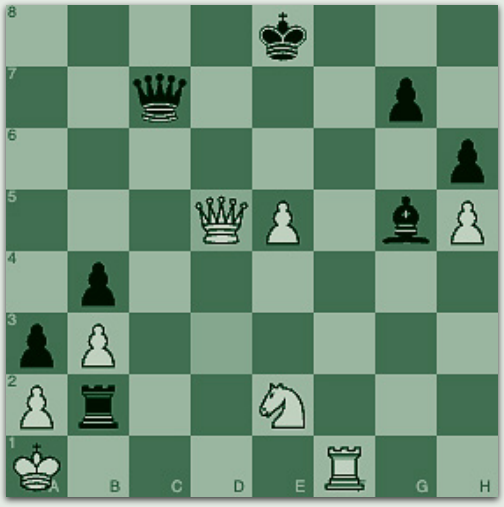
Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



h1g1 _____ g1h1 _____ f1g1 _____

Checkmate in 3 Moves

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



d3d5 _____ a1a2 _____ a2a1 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



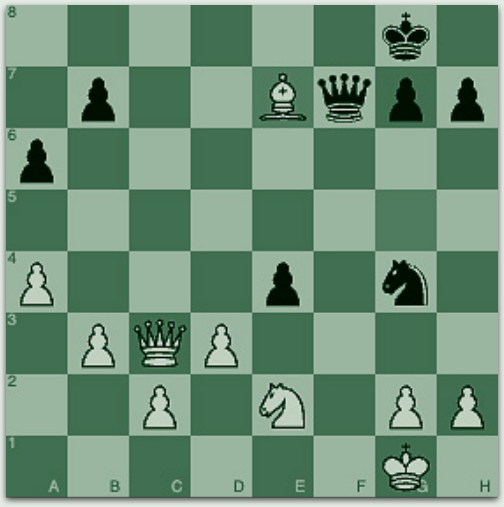
g1f3 _____ c3b5 _____ c2c4 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



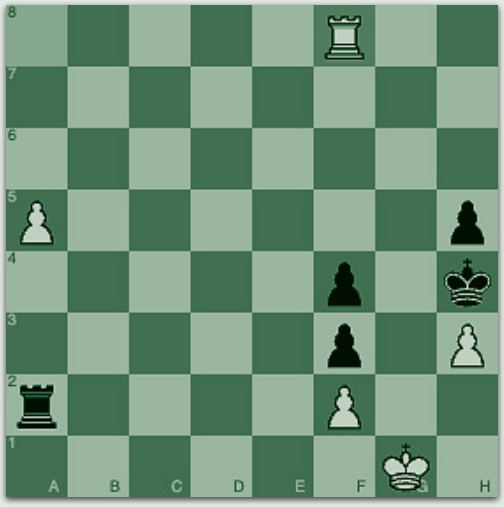
f6f5 _____ h2g3 _____ g1f1 _____

Puzzle #22: (Black to move)



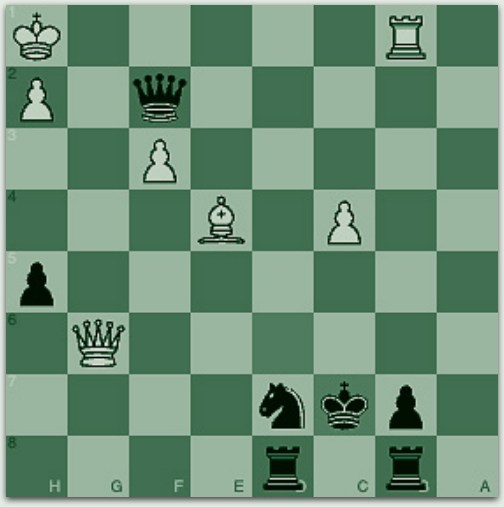
g5e7 _____ g1h1 _____ e2g1 _____

Puzzle #23: (Black to move)



a8f8 _____ f8b8 _____ b8b1 _____

Puzzle #24: (White to move)



d6c7 _____ b8b7 _____ c7b8 _____

Checkmate in 3 Moves

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



g7h6 _____ h7h8 _____ f7h7 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



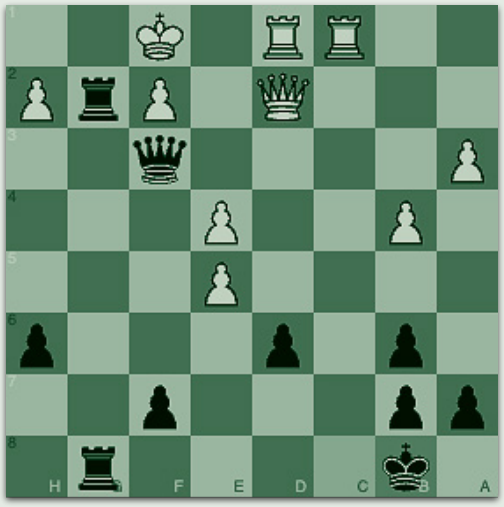
d3f5 _____ d8e8 _____ g8g7 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



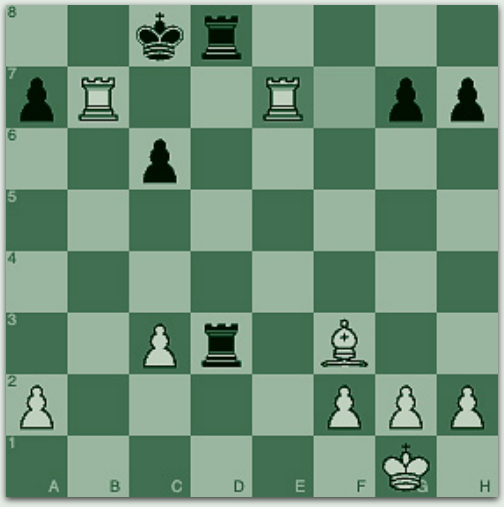
e1b1 _____ a2b1 _____ d2c1 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



c8b8 _____ b8a8 _____ g8d8 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



f7e7 _____ f3d1 _____ e7e1 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



f8f7 _____ h8h7 _____ g7h5 _____

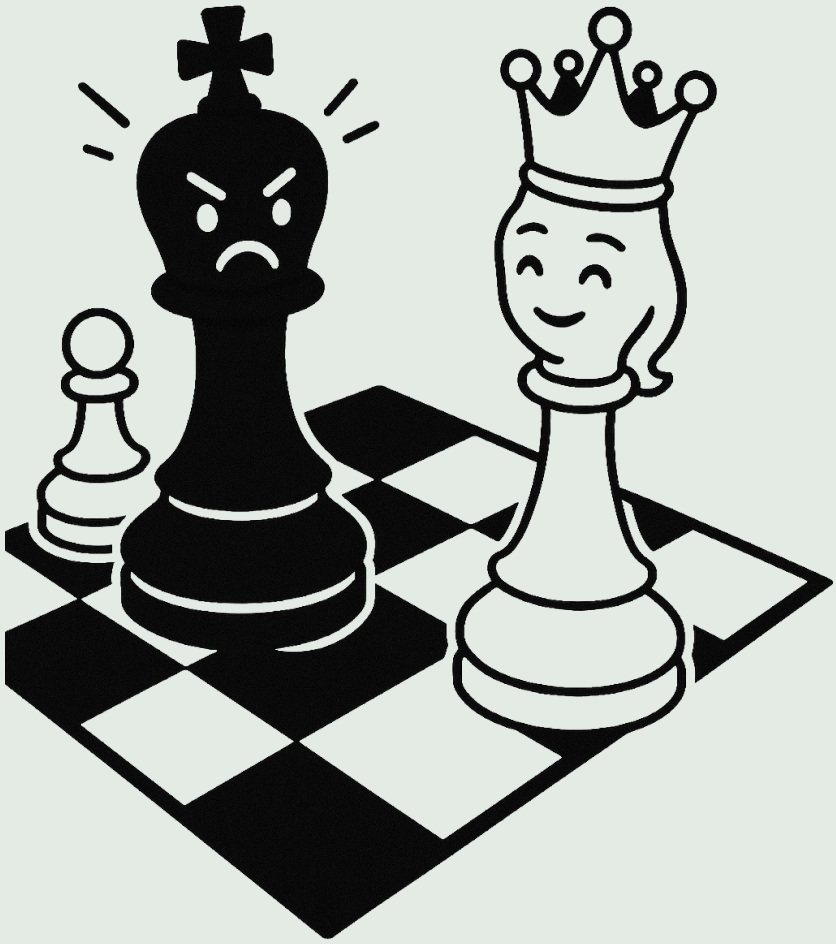
Back Rank Checkmate

This one catches a lot of players off guard.
A Back-Rank Mate happens when the king is trapped on the back row, usually by its own pawns, and has nowhere to escape.

One rook or queen is often all it takes.

Step 1: Check if the king is stuck behind its pawns.
Step 2: A rook/queen delivering a check on the back rank.
Step 3: Ask yourself — can the king run? If not...that's mate.

Blocked pawns. No escape. Checkmate.



Back Rank Checkmate

Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



d4b6 _____ d3d1 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



a4b6 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



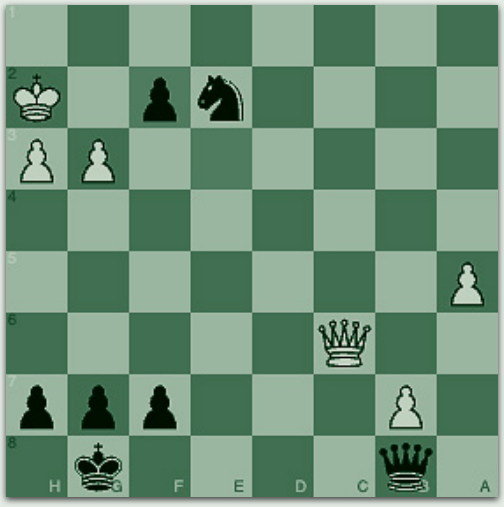
h5f3 _____ a8e8 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



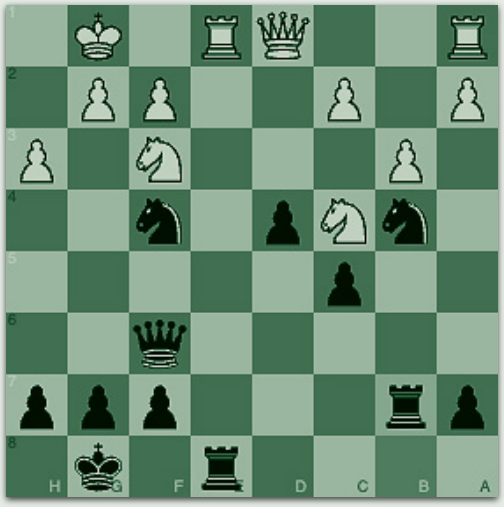
c3d5 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



e3f2 _____ b8c8 _____

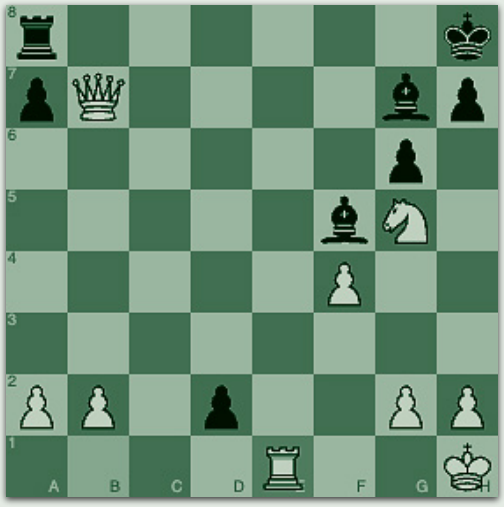
Puzzle #6: (White to move)



b8b7 _____

Back Rank Checkmate

Puzzle #7: (Black to move)



b1e1 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



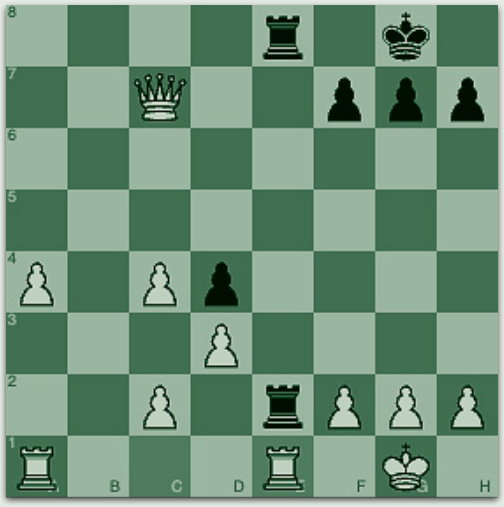
d6d5 _____ d5d8 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



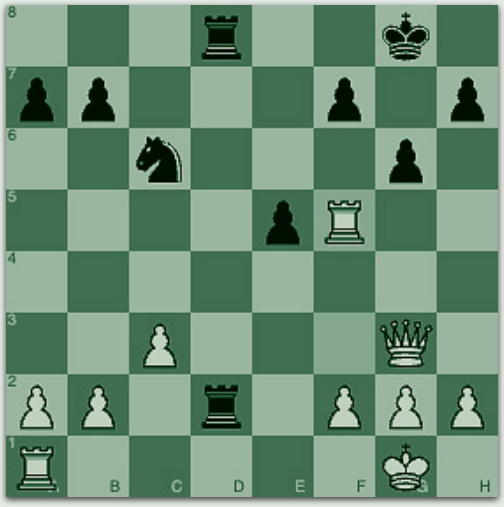
c8c5 _____ c5c8 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



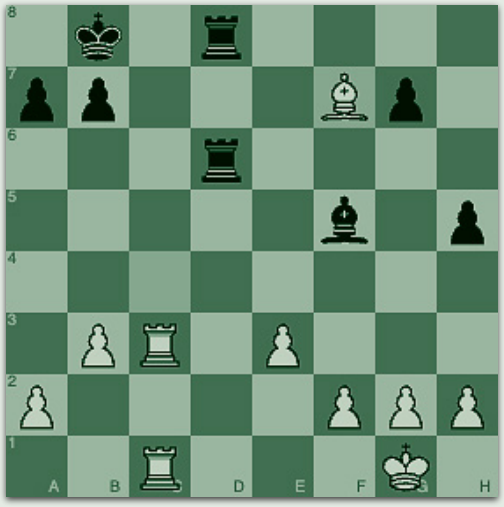
c1e1 _____ a1e1 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



f3f5 _____ a1d1 _____

Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



c4f7 _____ c1d1 _____

Back Rank Checkmate

Puzzle #13: (Black to move)



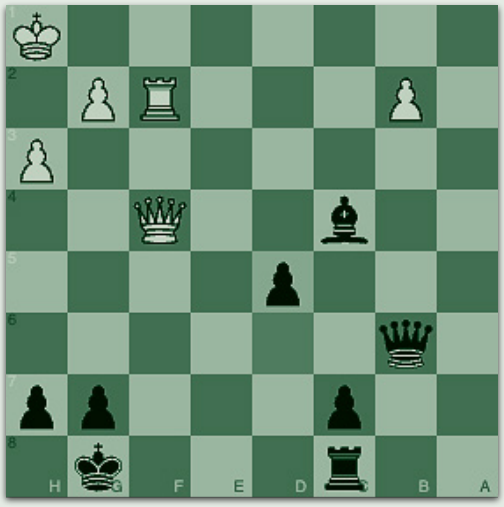
f3h4 _____ c2e1 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



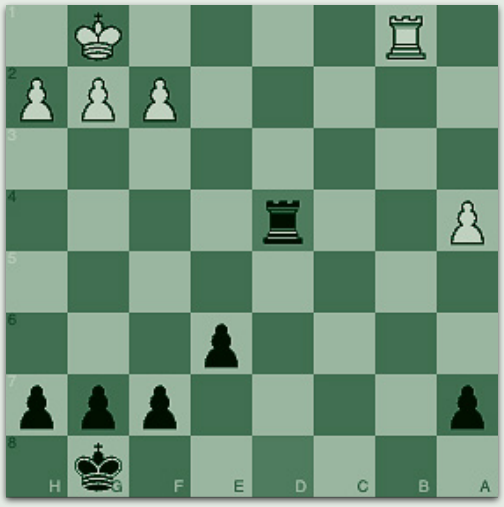
f1f6 _____ f6f1 _____

Puzzle #15: (White to move)



d6d5 _____ g8h8 _____ c8f8 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



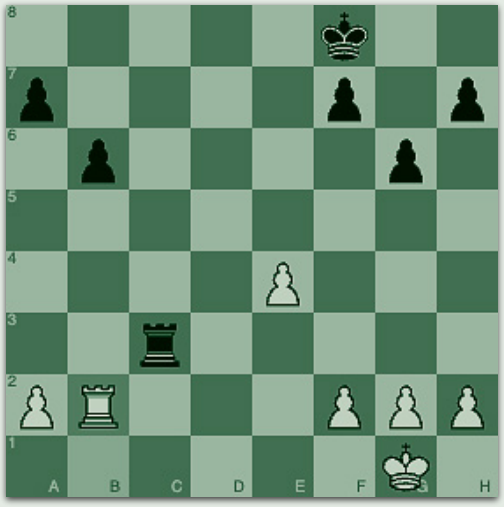
d8d4 _____ d4d8 _____

Puzzle #17: (White to move)



f8g8 _____ a8c8 _____

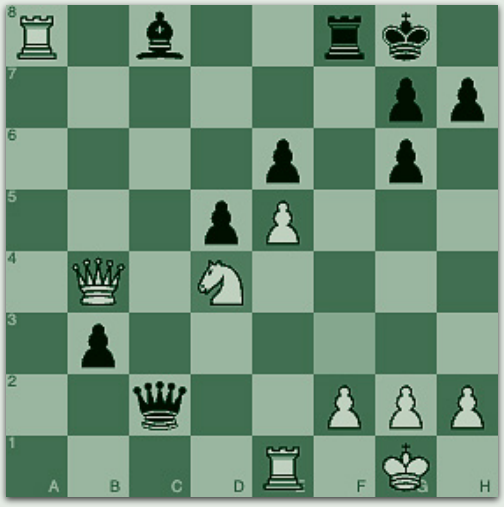
Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



b1b2 _____

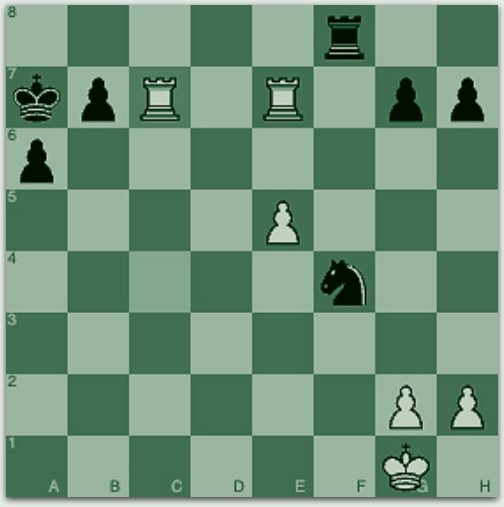
Back Rank Checkmate

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



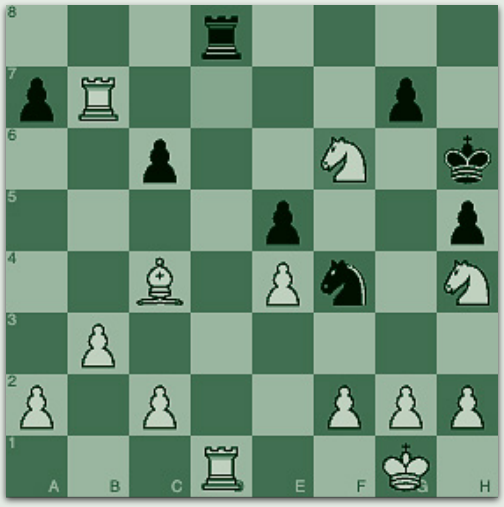
f3d4 _____ g1h1 _____ e1f1 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



c4c7 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



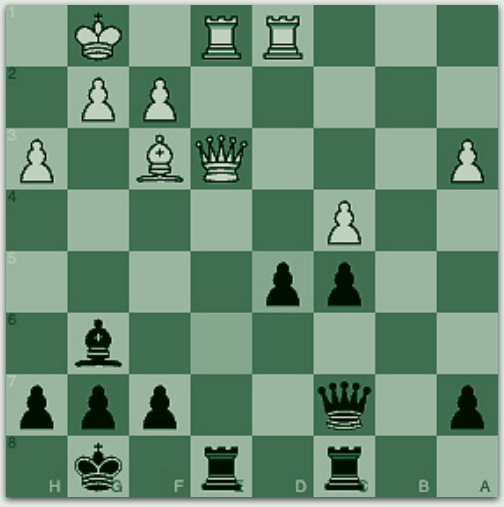
d7f6 _____ c4f1 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



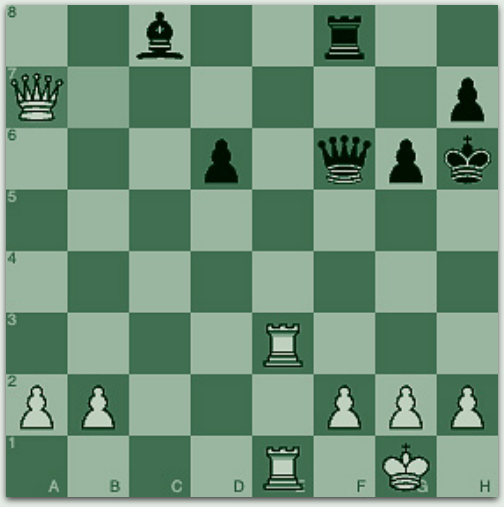
d6d5 _____ f8g8 _____ d8e8 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



e6d5 _____ c8e8 _____

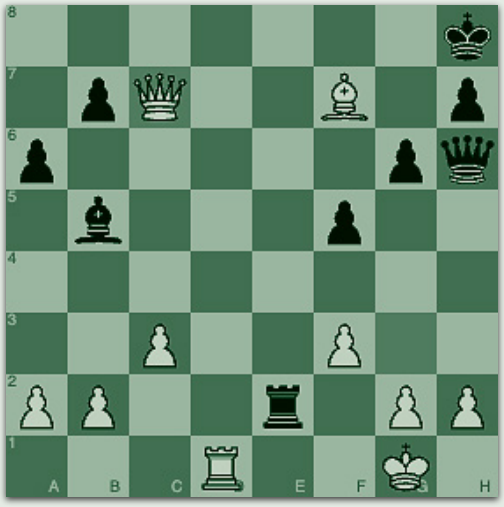
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



b7a7 _____ g1h1 _____ e1f1 _____

Back Rank Checkmate

Puzzle #25: (Black to move)



g3c7 _____ g1h1 _____ d1e1 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



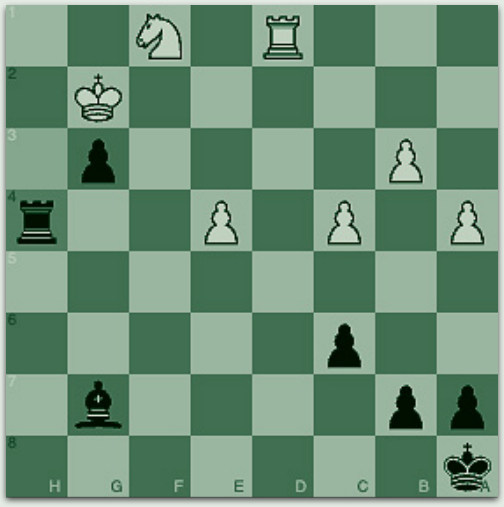
e7f6 _____ d8e8 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



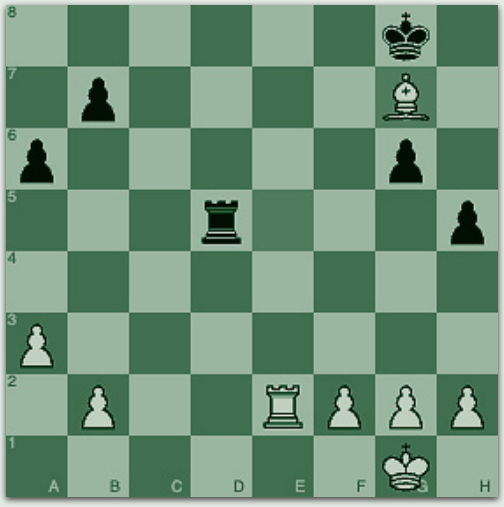
g6e4 _____ f6e8 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



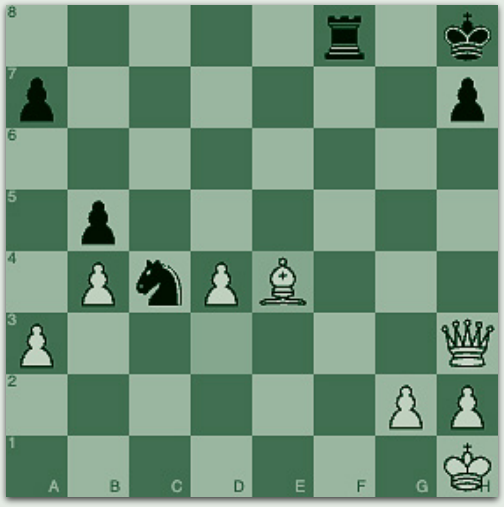
h3h4 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



e5g7 _____ e2e1 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



d3e4 _____

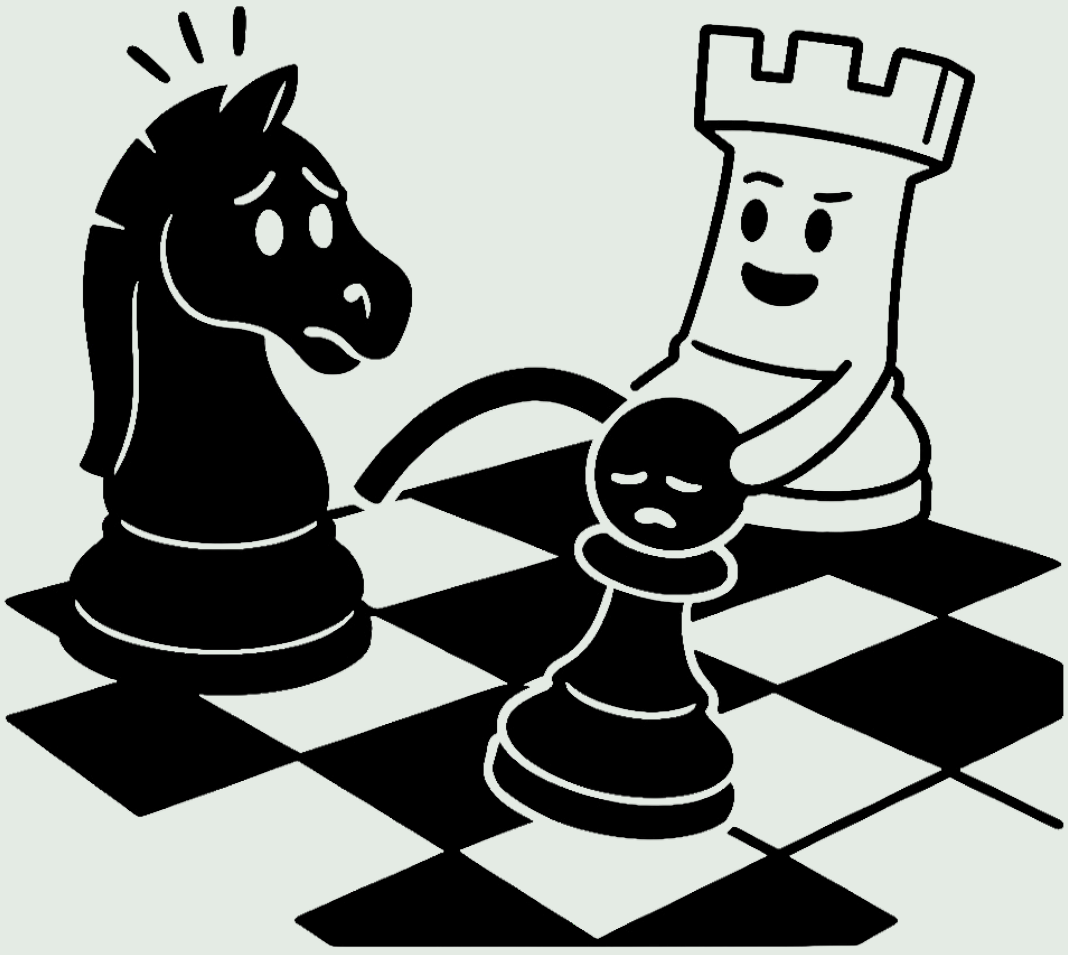
Capturing the Defender

Sometimes a piece is standing in the way... protecting everything.
Capturing the Defender means removing that piece so the real threat can finally work.

Take away the guard, and everything collapses.

Step 1: Spot the piece that's defending something important.
Step 2: See if you can capture it.
Step 3: Use the opening you've created.

Remove the defender.
The position falls apart.



Capturing the Defender

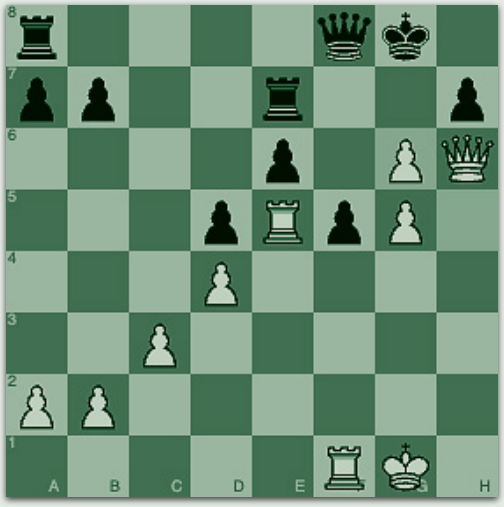
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



h7h6 _____ e7f6 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



h5g6 _____ g5h6 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



d1b3 _____ c4b3 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



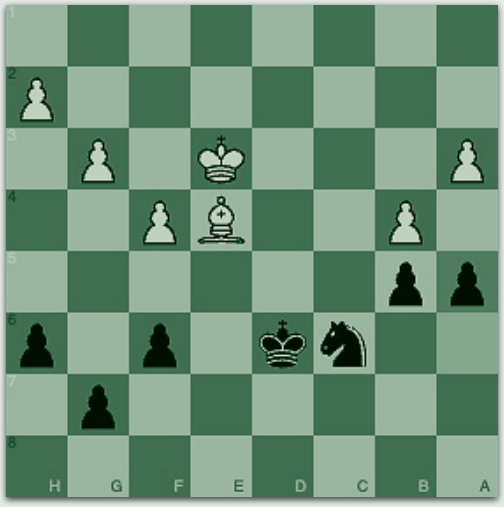
f6e5 _____ d6c6 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



f6g4 _____ g4f2 _____ h3e6 _____

Puzzle #6: (White to move)



a6a5 _____ d6c6 _____

Capturing the Defender

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



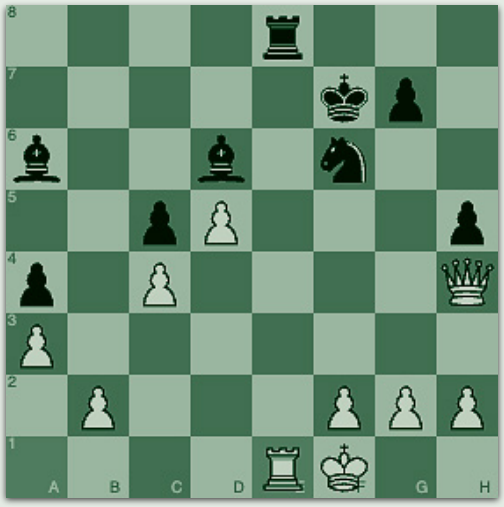
b7b6 _____ d8d7 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



f5g4 _____ e7f6 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



a1e1 _____ e1e8 _____ e8a8 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



f3d5 _____ d2d5 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



d2b3 _____ f1d1 _____

Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



g5h4 _____ h5c5 _____ c5g1 _____

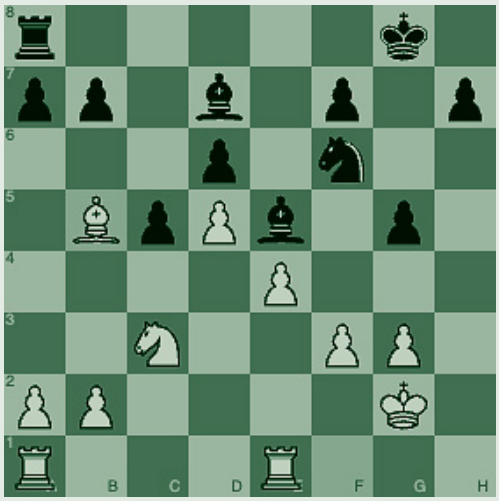
Capturing the Defender

Puzzle #13: (Black to move)



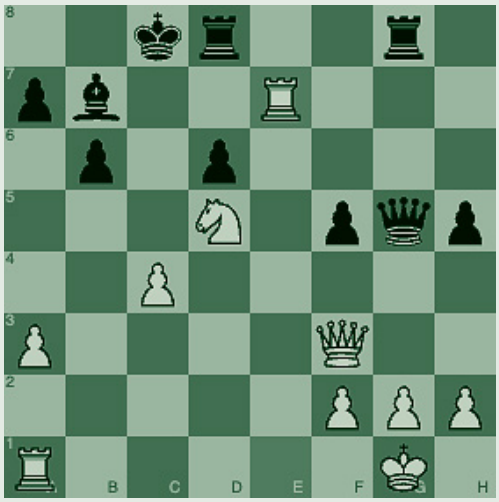
e4d6 _____ d5e6 _____ c4g4 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



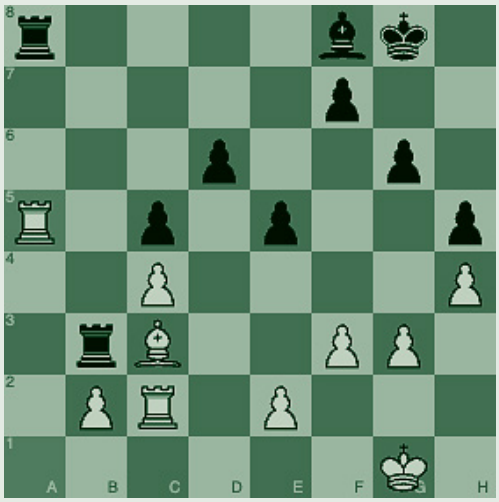
f1b5 _____ b2c3 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



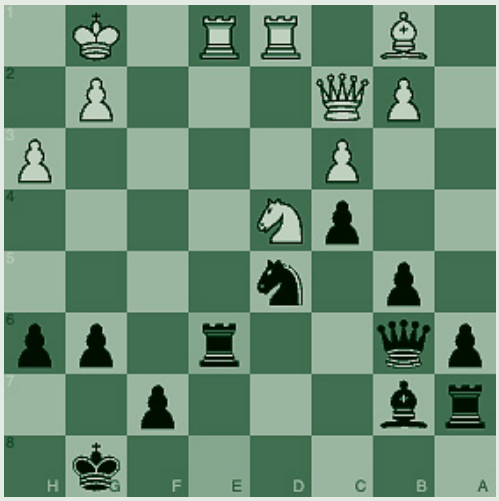
e1e7 _____ f3d5 _____ d5a8 _____ a8a7 _____

Puzzle #16: (Black to move)



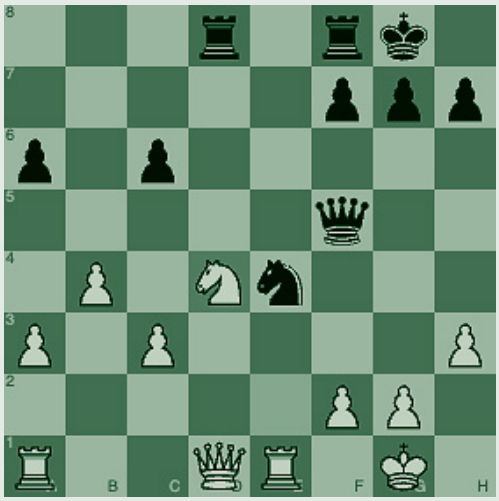
a1a5 _____ c2c3 _____

Puzzle #17: (White to move)



e8e6 _____ f7e6 _____

Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



e2d4 _____ g1h1 _____ d1f3 _____

Capturing the Defender

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



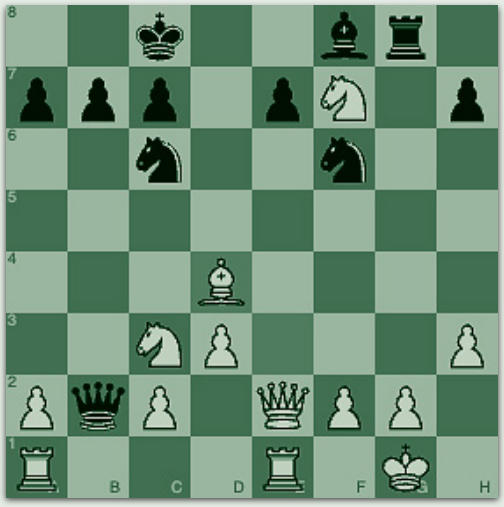
g5e6 _____ d7e6 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



f3e4 _____ c5b6 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



e3d4 _____ e2e3 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



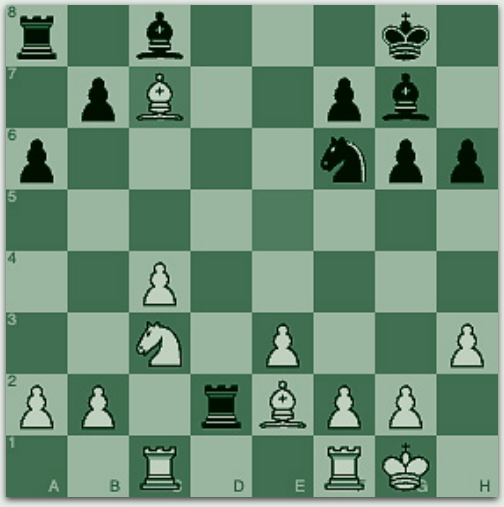
b6d5 _____ d5c7 _____

Puzzle #23: (Black to move)



b2c3 _____ d3d4 _____ c3d4 _____

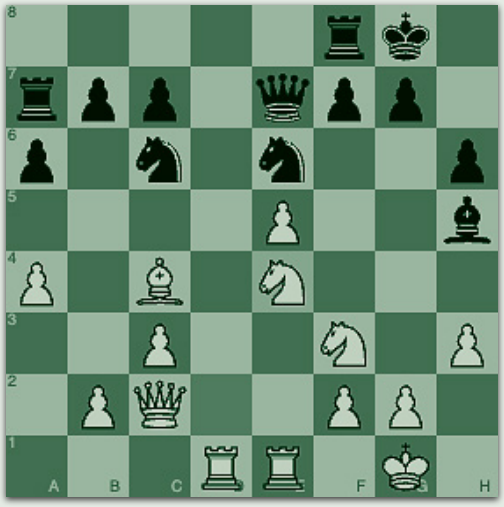
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



e5c7 _____ c7a5 _____ a5c3 _____

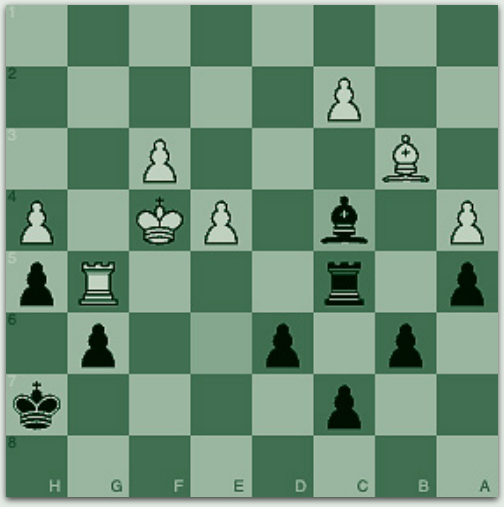
Capturing the Defender

Puzzle #25: (Black to move)



d2e4 _____ g2f3 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



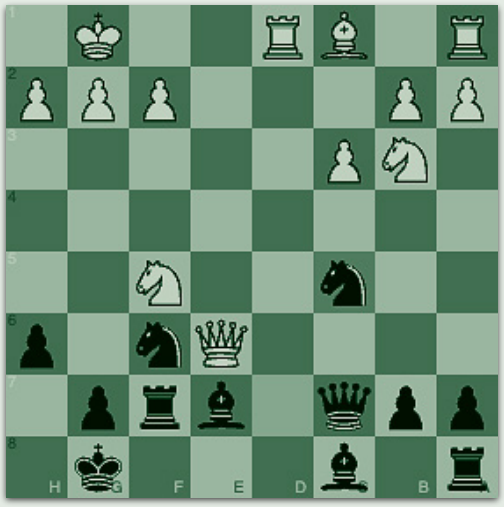
e6c4 _____ b6c5 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



a4a5 _____ f3e4 _____ a5b6 _____ d2d4 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



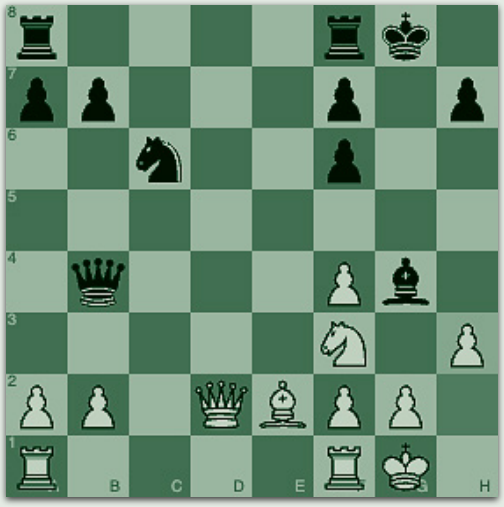
d7c5 _____ c7e7 _____ f7e7 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



f3e3 _____ f2e3 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



h2h3 _____ f3d2 _____

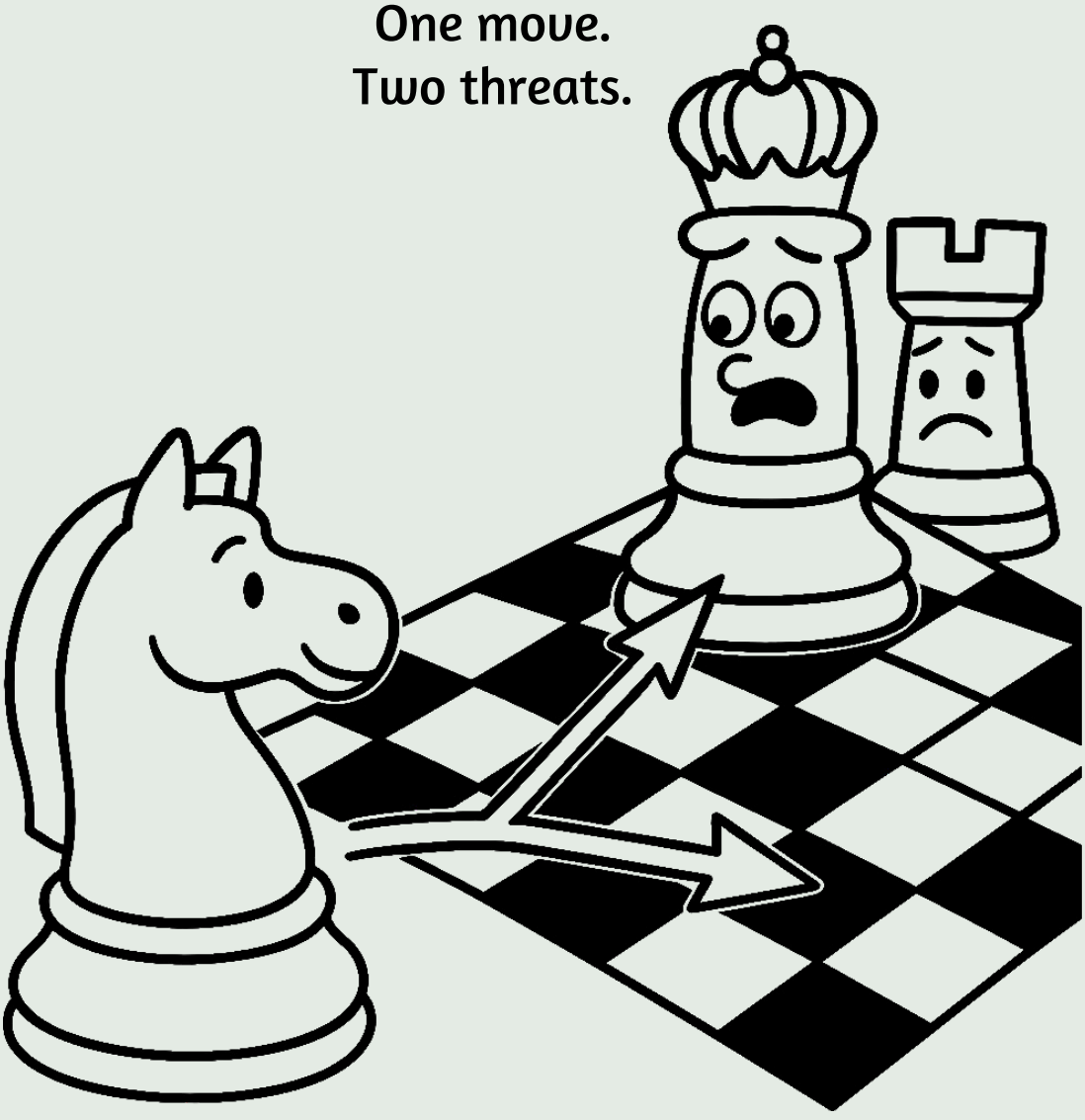
Fork

One piece. Two targets. Big trouble.
A Fork is when a single piece attacks two (or more) enemy pieces at the same time.

The knight is famous for this — but other pieces can fork too.

Step 1: Look for a move that attacks two pieces at once.
Step 2: Make sure at least one of them can’t escape.
Step 3: Win material. That's it!

One move.
Two threats.



Fork

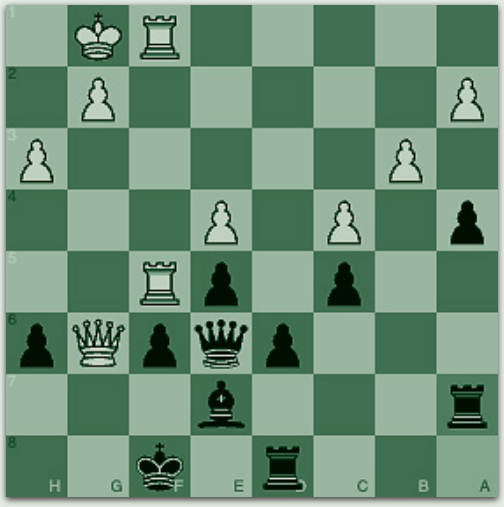
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



e1e4 _____ e8d8 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



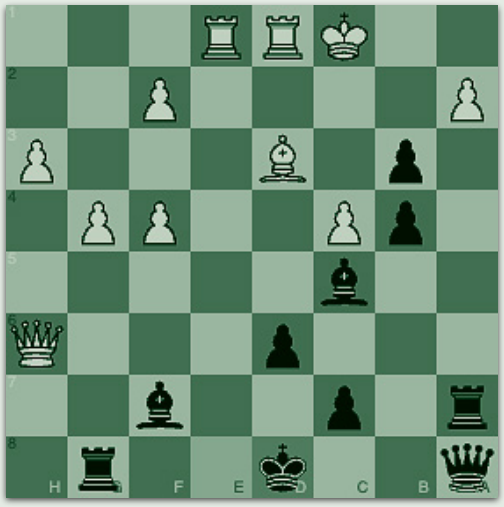
a8a7 _____ e7f6 _____ e6f6 _____

Puzzle #3: (Black to move)



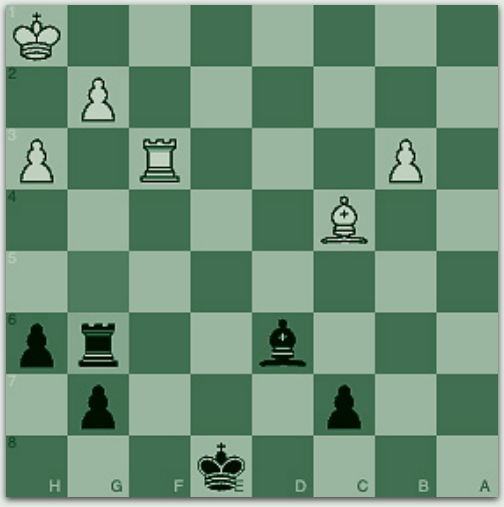
b1c3 _____ g1h1 _____ a1b1 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



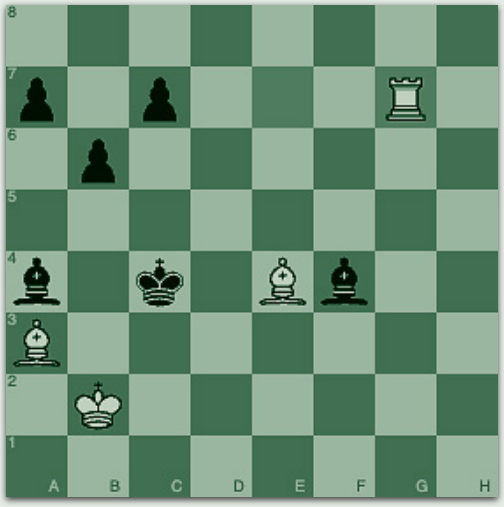
e8d8 _____ d8c8 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



g5g6 _____ e8d7 _____

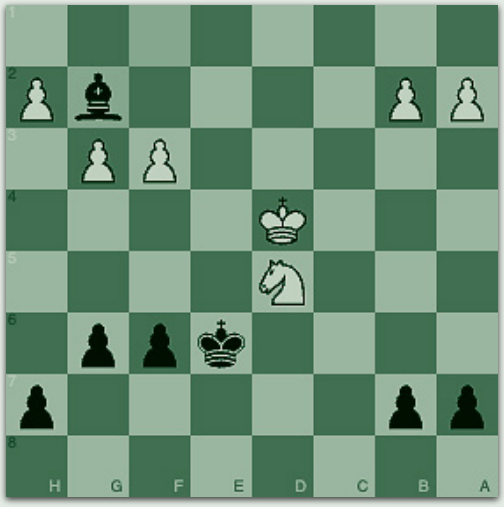
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



e7g7 _____ b2b1 _____

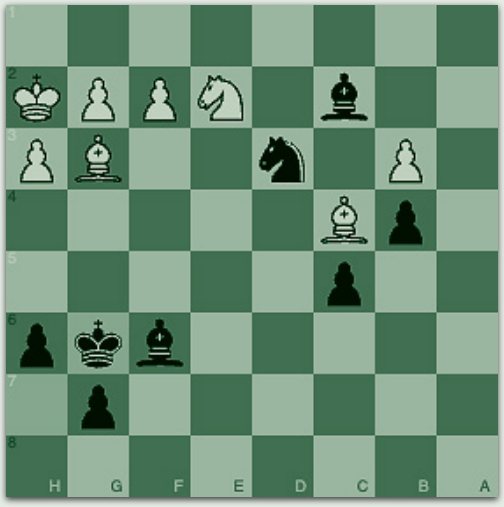
Fork

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



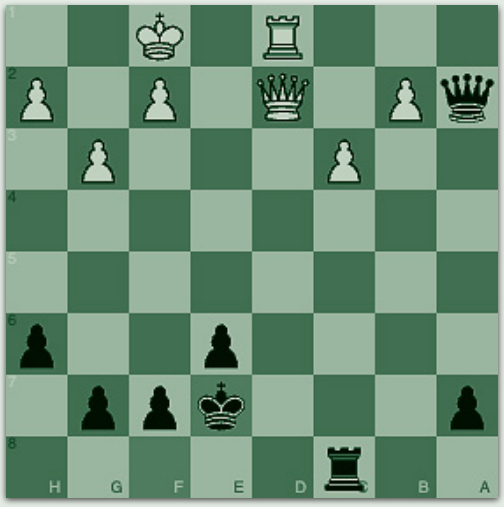
f1g2 _____ e6d6 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



h7g6 _____ c2d3 _____ g6f5 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



f8e7 _____ e7f6 _____

Puzzle #10: (White to move)



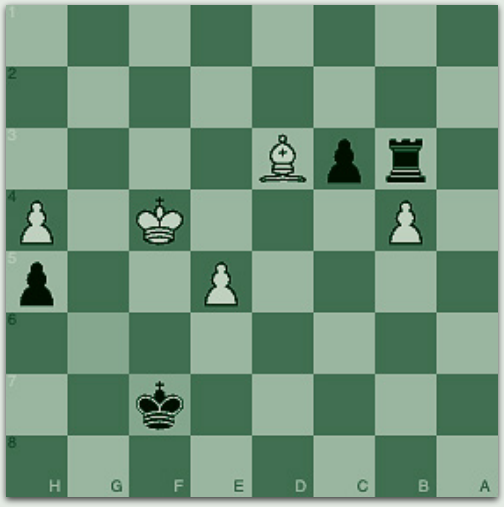
e7c6 _____ d4c6 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



e3d3 _____ a8b8 _____

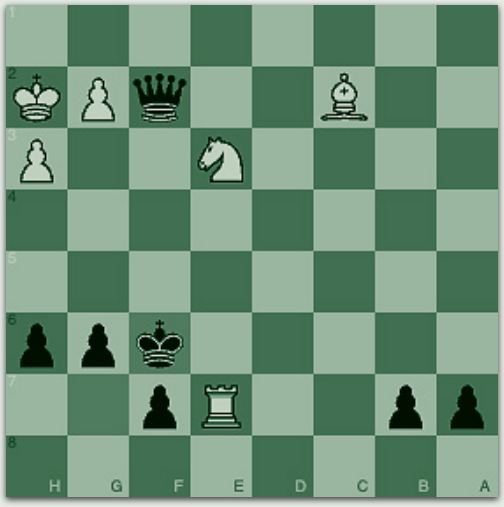
Puzzle #12: (White to move)



g6f7 _____ f7f8 _____

Fork

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



g7f6 _____ f6e7 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



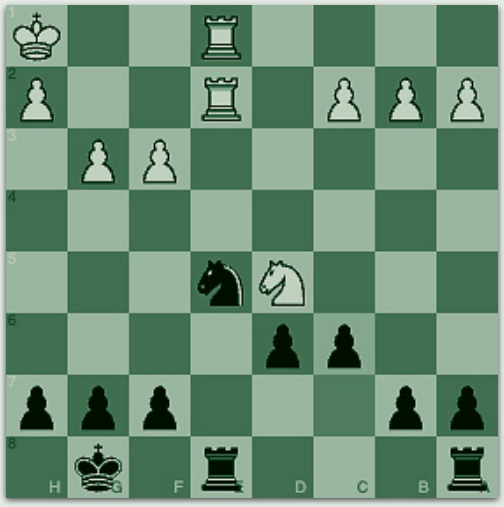
e1g1 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



d3e4 _____ g1g2 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



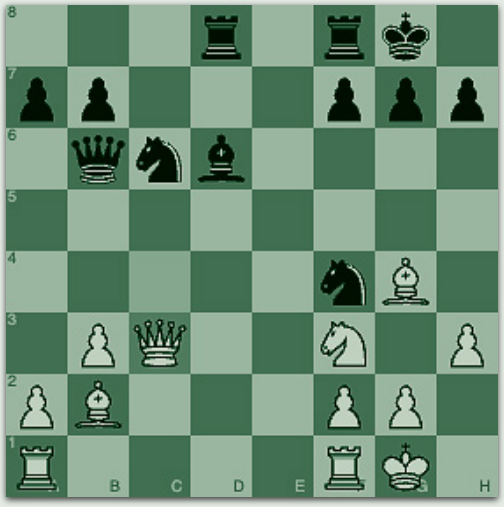
c7c6 _____ e8f8 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



e3c5 _____ g1h1 _____ e1f2 _____

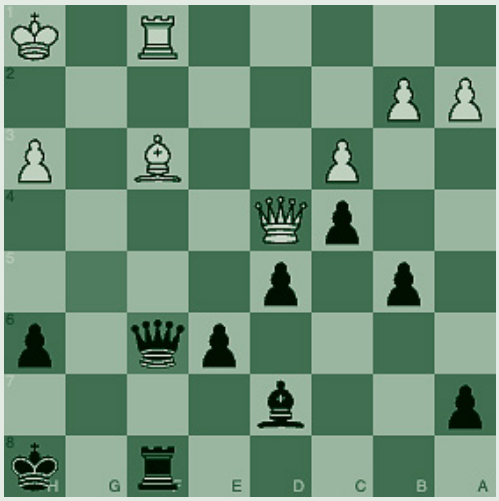
Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



c4c3 _____ g1h1 _____

Fork

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



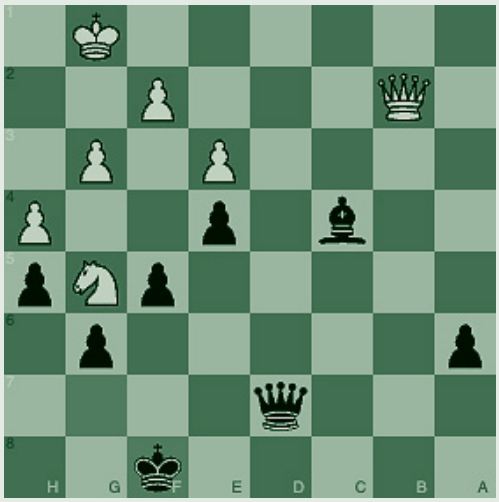
g5f6 _____ f6d4 _____ h8g7 _____ g7g8 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



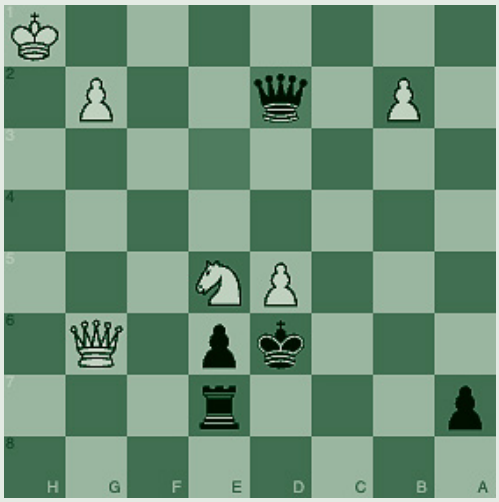
f3c6 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #21: (White to move)



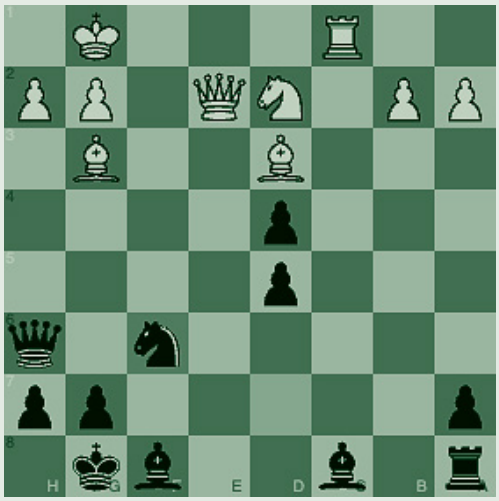
g7f8 _____ f8e8 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



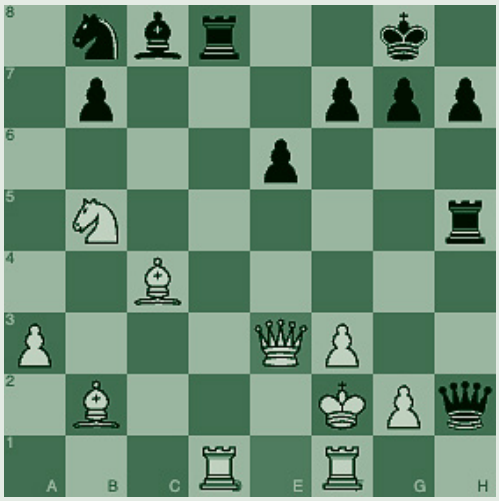
e3d2 _____ d6d5 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



d7f6 _____ a8c8 _____ g8h8 _____

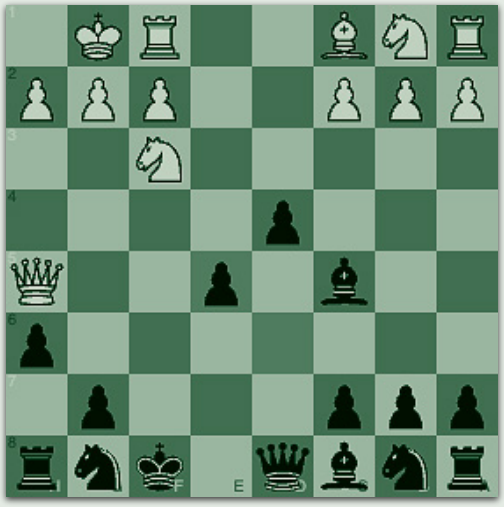
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



e1e3 _____ g2g3 _____ f2e1 _____ e1d1 _____

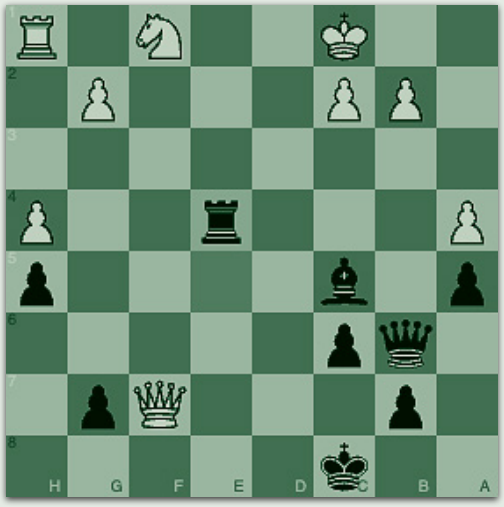
Fork

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



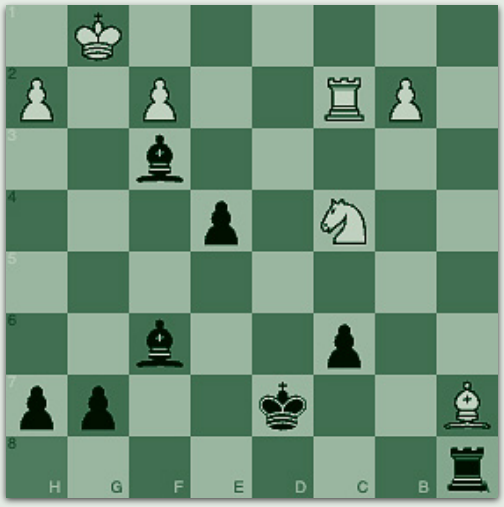
d6e5 _____ g7g6 _____ f8g7 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



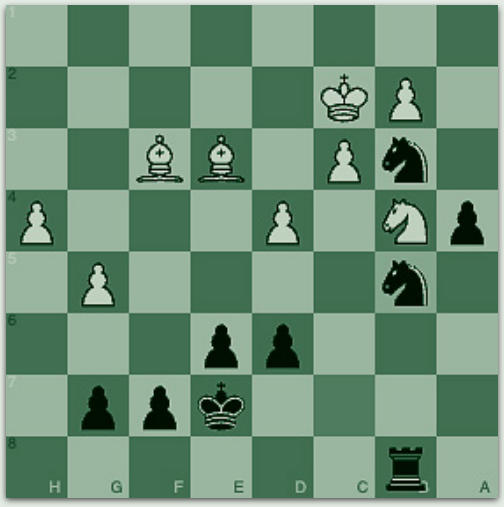
e5e4 _____ c8c7 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



h8a8 _____ d7c7 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



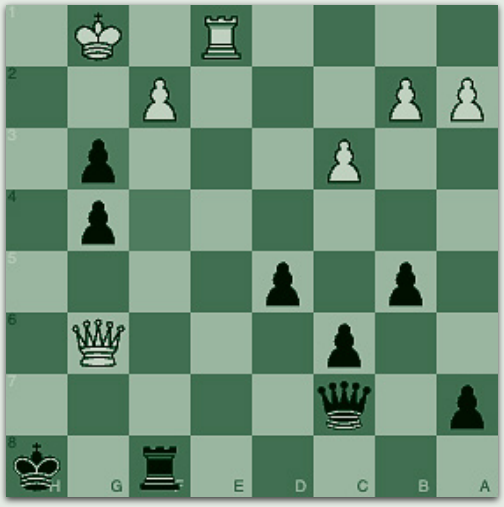
c7b5 _____ e7f8 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



c3e4 _____ d3e2 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



f4g3 _____ h8g8 _____ c7g7 _____ g3f2 _____

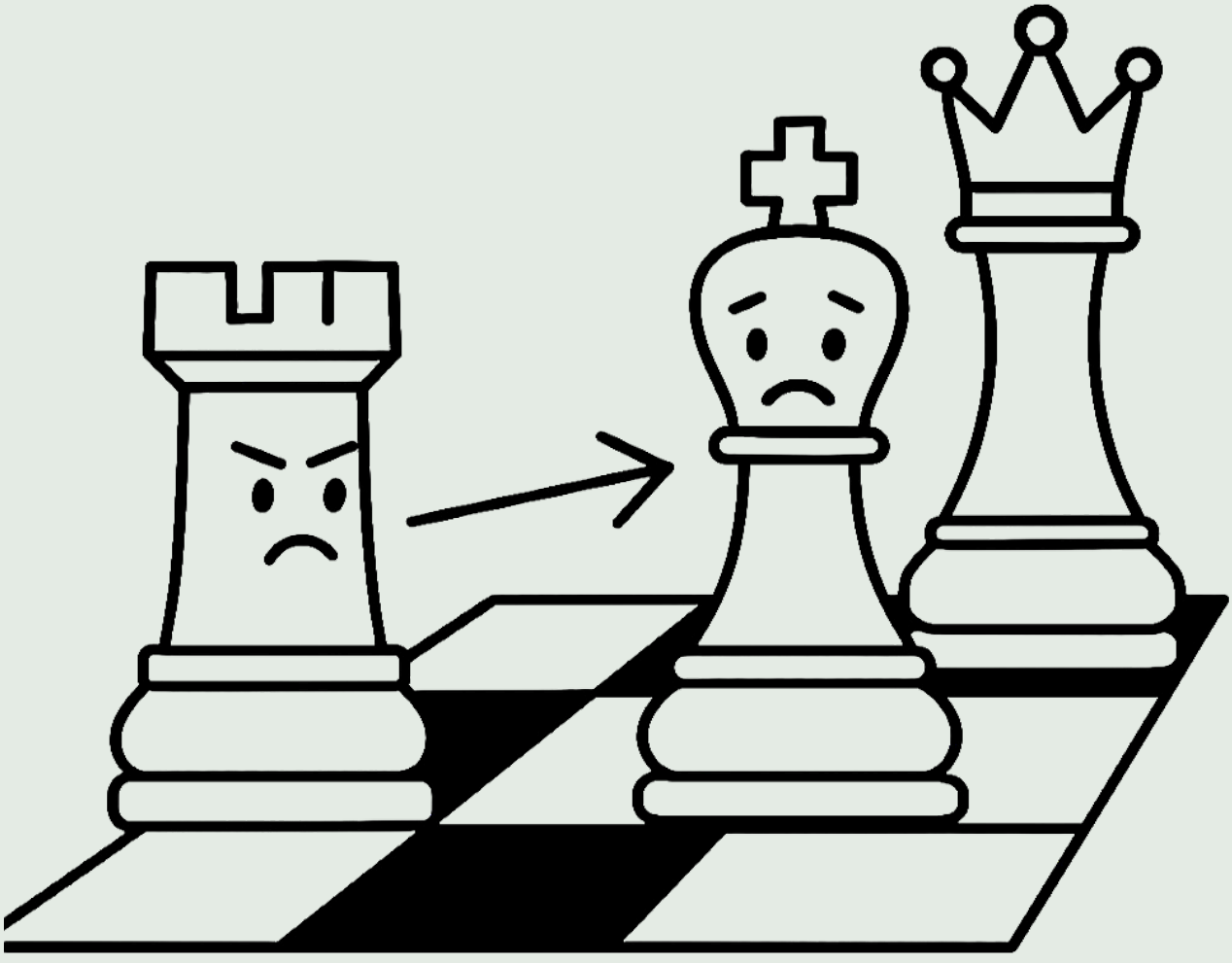
Pin

A Pin is when a piece can’t move... because something more important is behind it.

Move it, and something valuable is lost — usually the king or the queen.

Step 1: Find a piece blocking a stronger piece behind it.
Step 2: Pin it with a rook, bishop, or queen.
Step 3: Take advantage of the stuck piece.

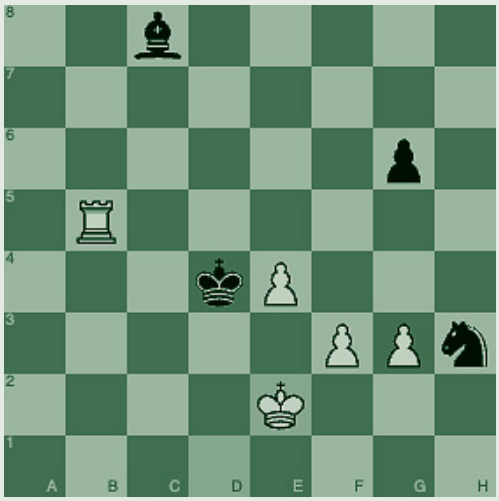
It looks free.
But it can’t move.



Pin

Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



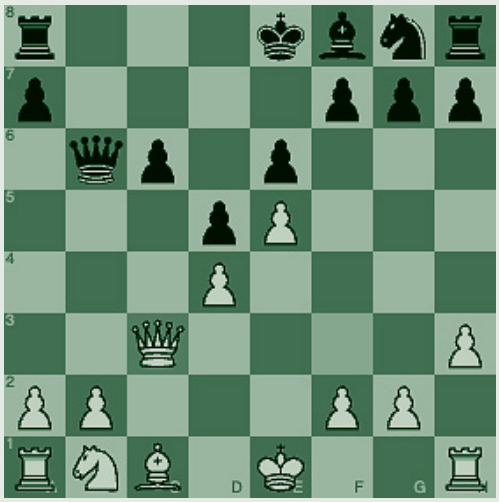
d1e2 _____ e2d2 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



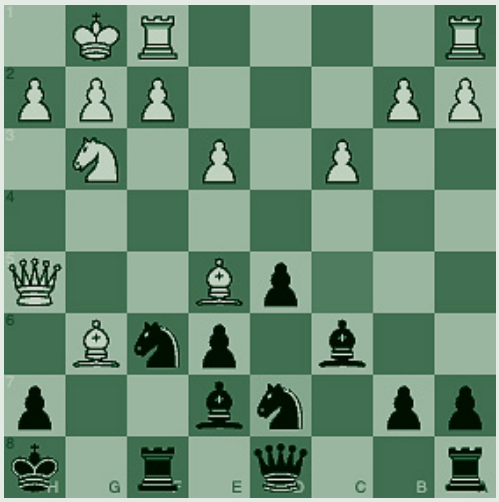
a2a4 _____ h1g1 _____

Puzzle #3: (Black to move)



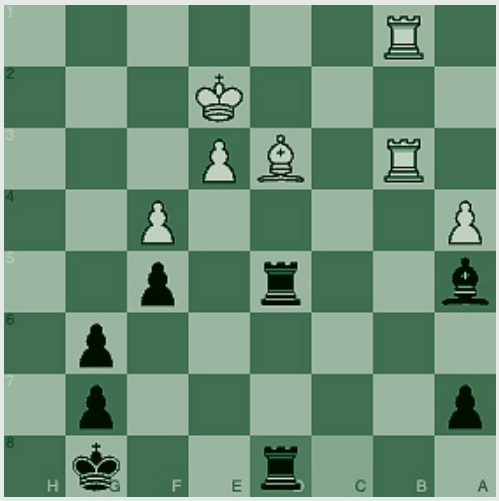
f3c3 _____ e1g1 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



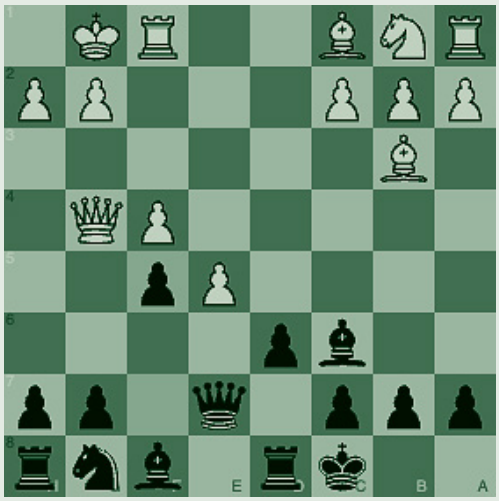
c5d7 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



c8d8 _____ g8f8 _____

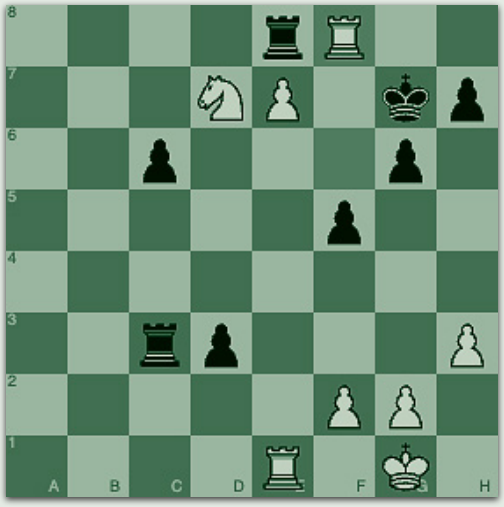
Puzzle #6: (White to move)



f7f5 _____ e7d7 _____

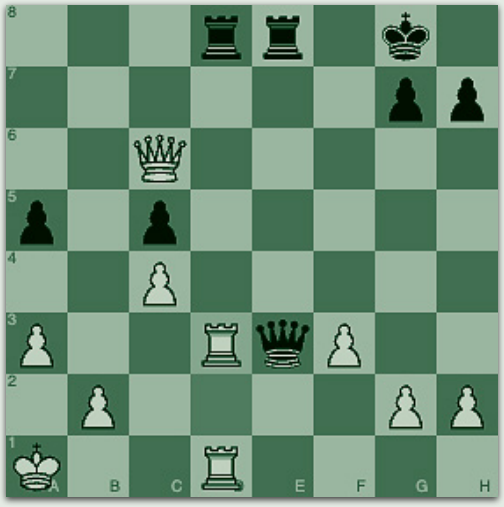
Pin

Puzzle #7: (Black to move)



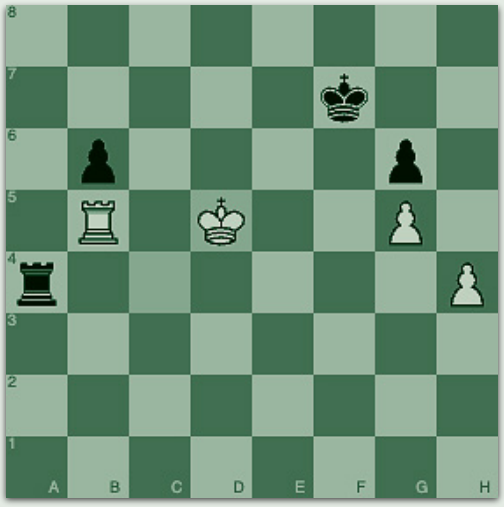
f6f8 _____ e1d1 _____ g1h2 _____

Puzzle #8: (Black to move)



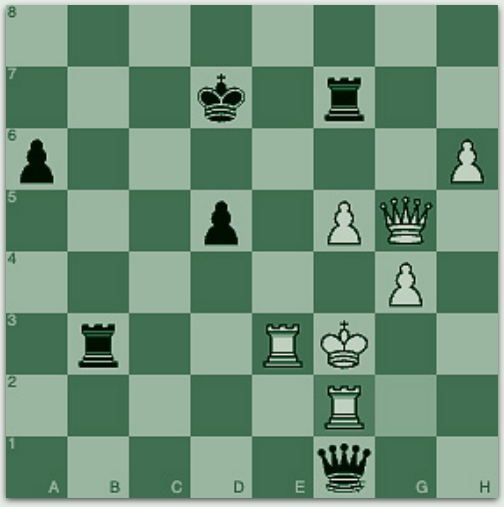
d2d3 _____ d1d3 _____ a1a2 _____ d3b3 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



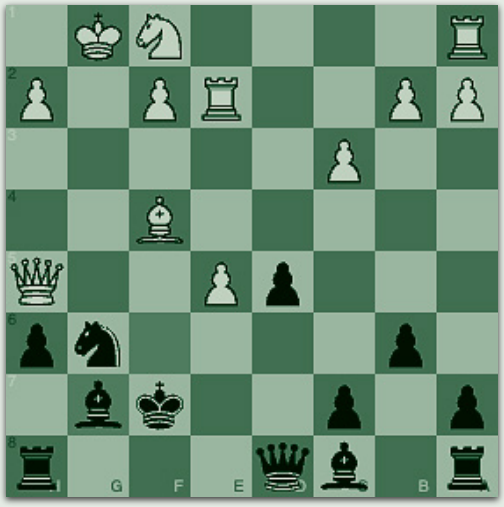
c4d5 _____ b5a5 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



g2f2 _____ f3e2 _____ g5e3 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



f6g7 _____ c8e6 _____ f7e6 _____ d8f6 _____ e6d7 _____

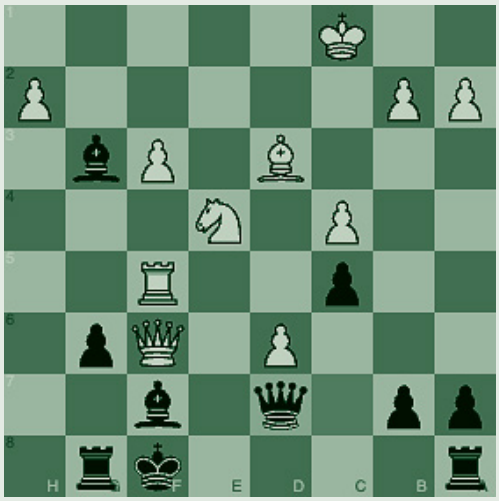
Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



b5b8 _____ e1d1 _____

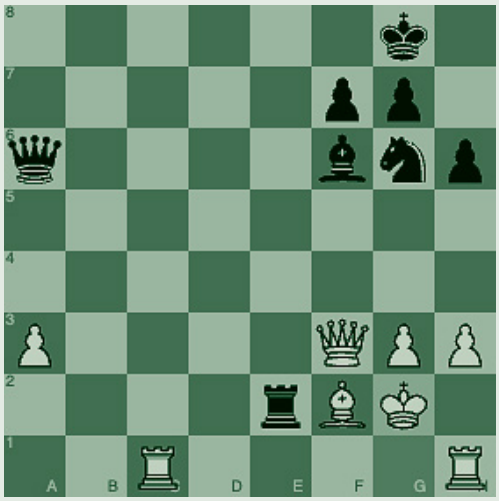
Pin

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



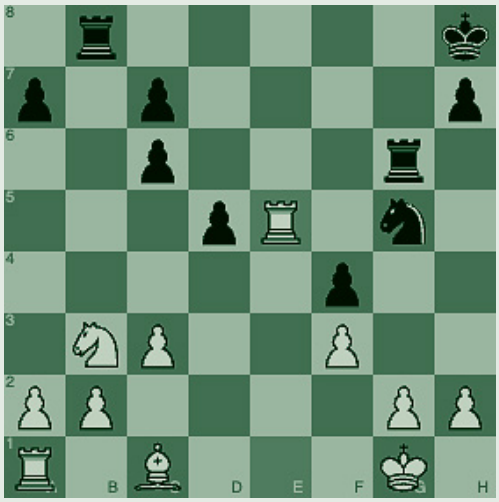
c7d7 _____ d7e8 _____ e8e6 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



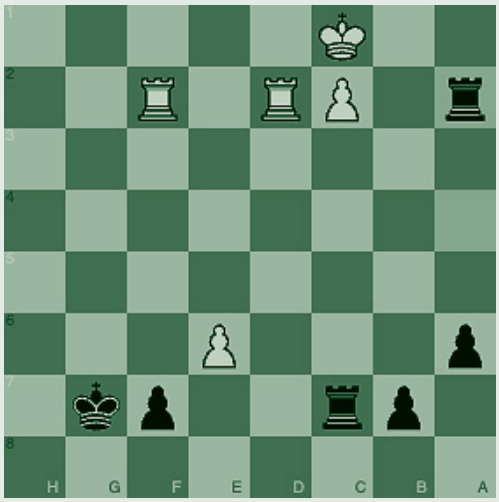
g1g2 _____ h1f1 _____ f3d5 _____ f1f2 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



e1e5 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



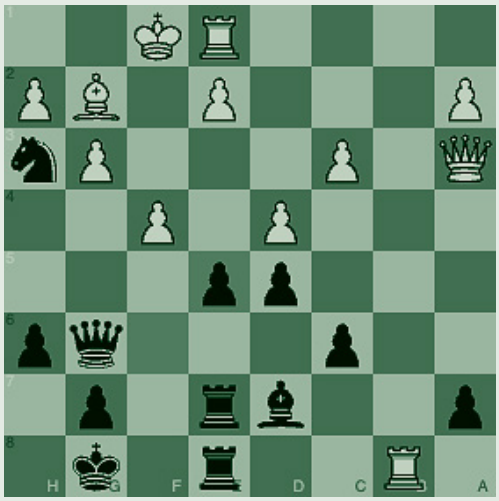
a4a2 _____ a2a1 _____

Puzzle #17: (White to move)



g7g5 _____ f4g5 _____

Puzzle #18: (White to move)



f6e5 _____ e8b8 _____

Pin

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



e1d2 _____ f6g4 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



g6f6 _____ c6f6 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



c1e3 _____ c4e3 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



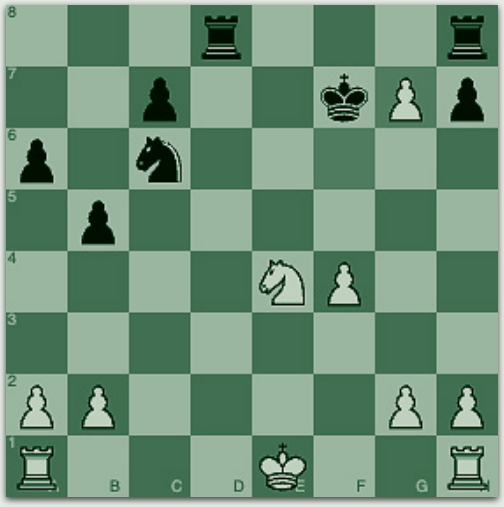
d5c3 _____ e7g5 _____

Puzzle #23: (Black to move)



e2e7 _____ h1g1 _____

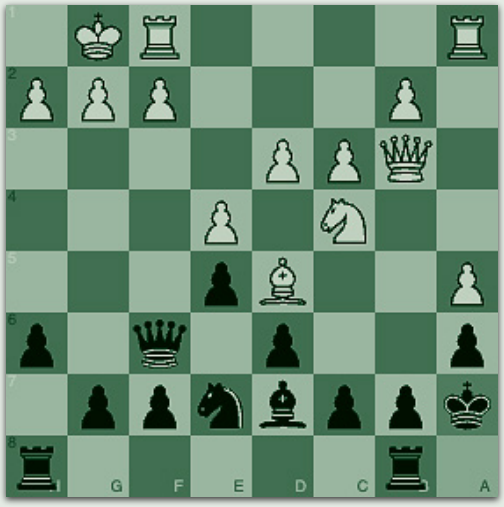
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



f6g7 _____ e1g1 _____

Pin

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



a8a7 _____ c7b6 _____ a7a8 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



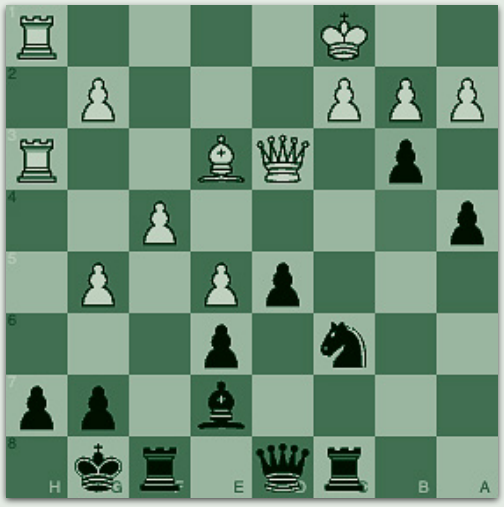
f8f7 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



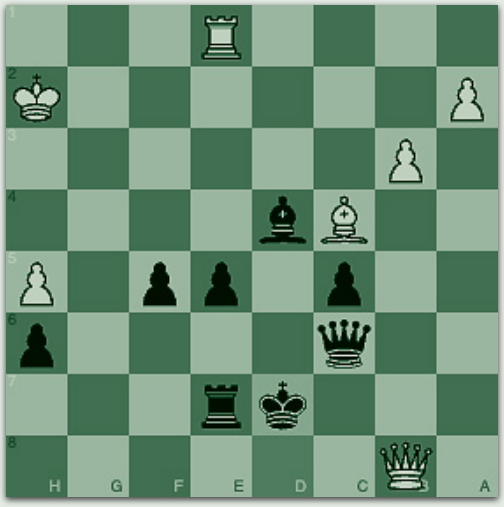
g7e5 _____ e5g7 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



b4b3 _____ g8f7 _____ f7e8 _____ f8f7 _____

Puzzle #29: (White to move)



d8d7 _____ c6b5 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



f3g4 _____

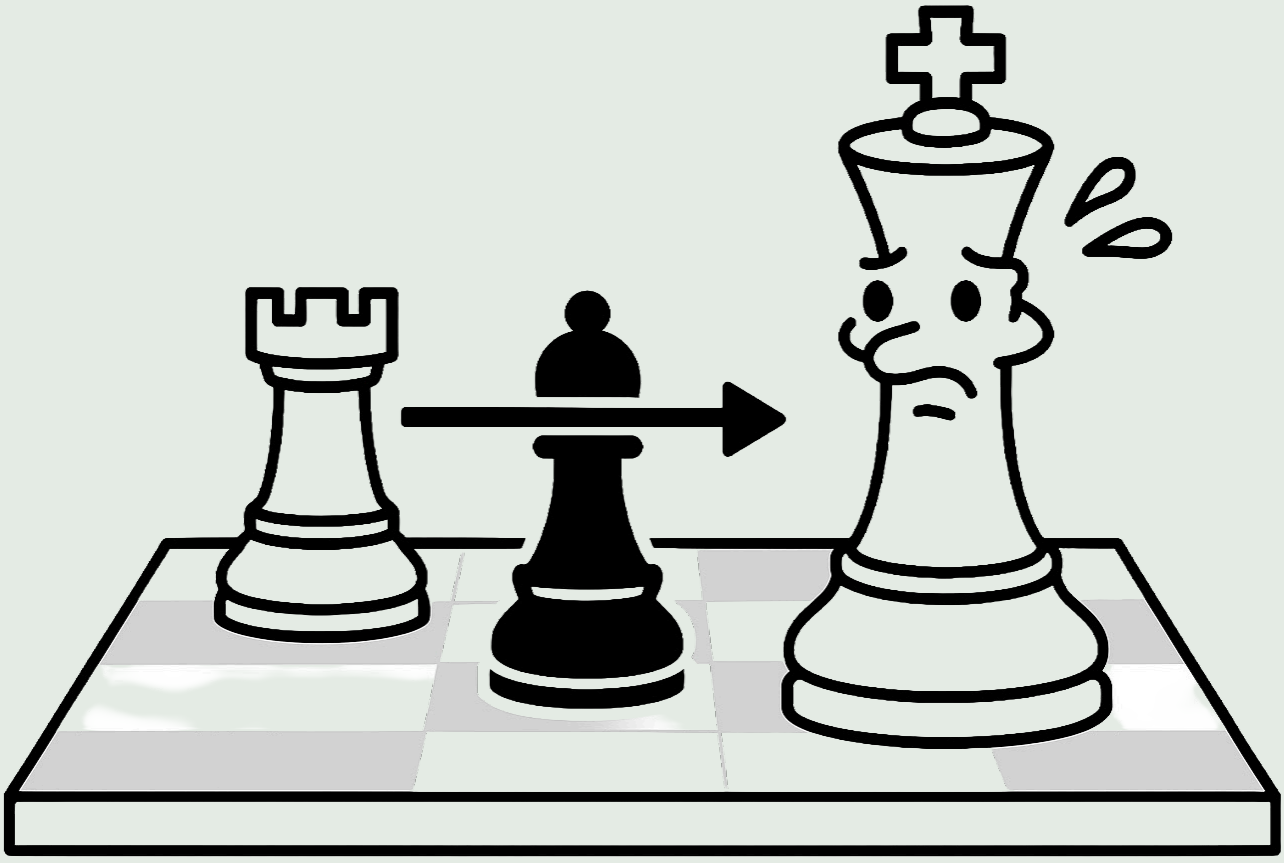
Skewer

A Skewer is like a pin — but in reverse.
You attack a valuable piece first, and when it moves, something behind it is lost.

King moves... piece falls.

Step 1: Line up your attack on the most valuable piece.
Step 2: Force the piece in front to move.
Step 3: Capture what's left behind.

Front piece escapes.
Back piece doesn't.



Skewer

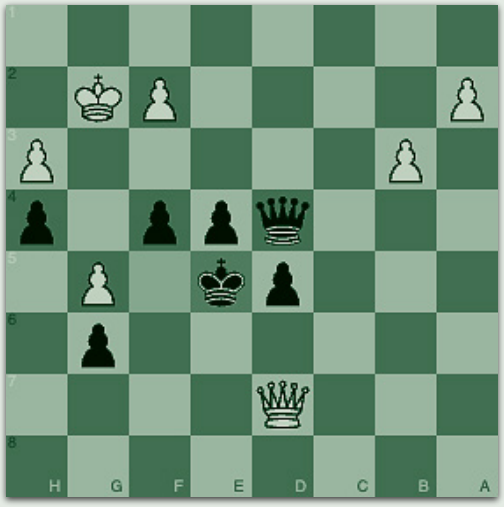
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



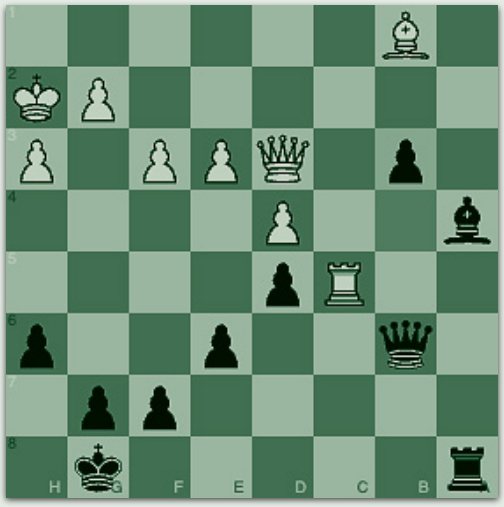
b4b3 _____ g8f7 _____ f7e8 _____ f8f7 _____ e8d7 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



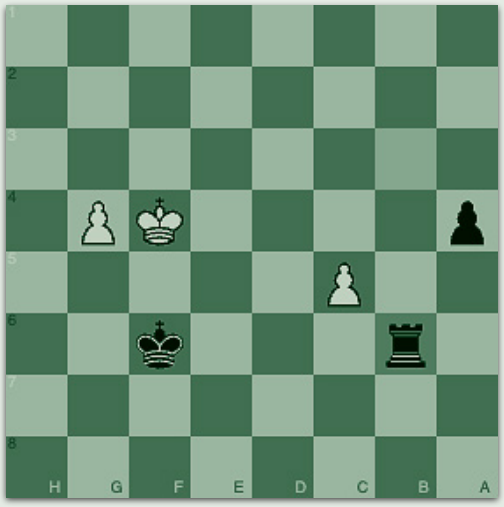
f5e5 _____ e5f5 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



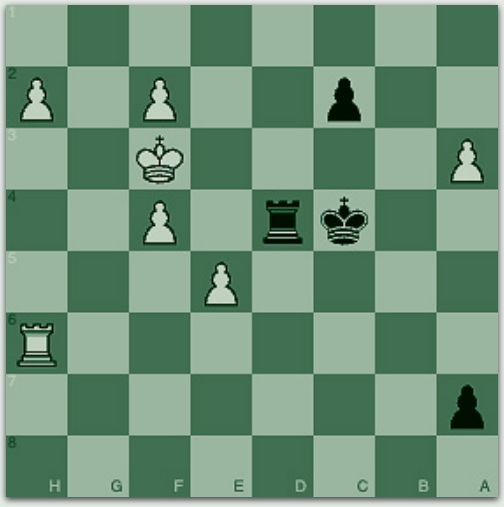
b4b3 _____ g8f8 _____ f8e7 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



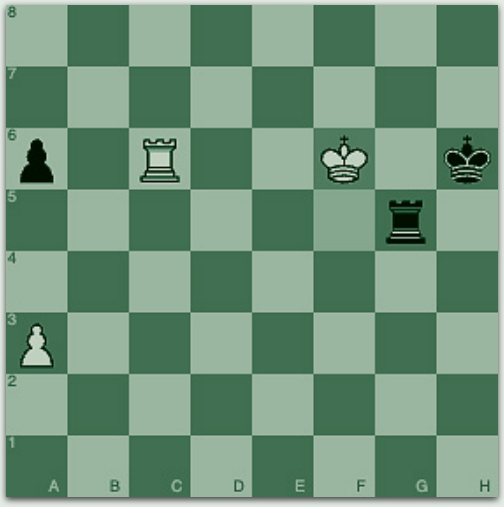
b3b6 _____ a4a3 _____ a3a2 _____ a2a1q ____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



c2c1q _____ c4d5 _____

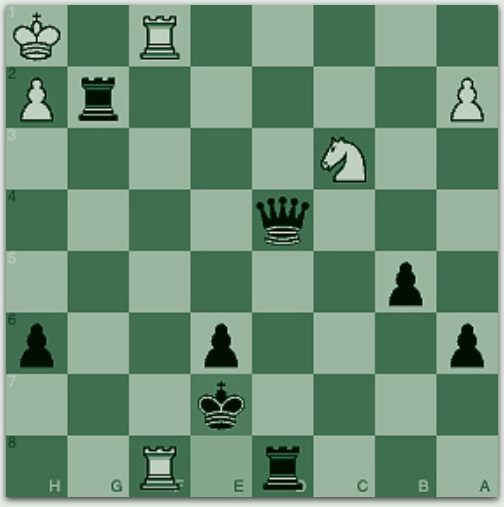
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



f5f6 _____ f6e5 _____

Skewer

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



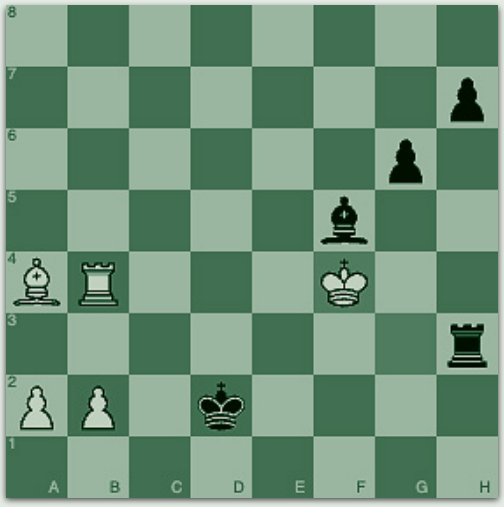
e8e7 _____ e7d6 _____ d6e5 _____

Puzzle #8: (Black to move)



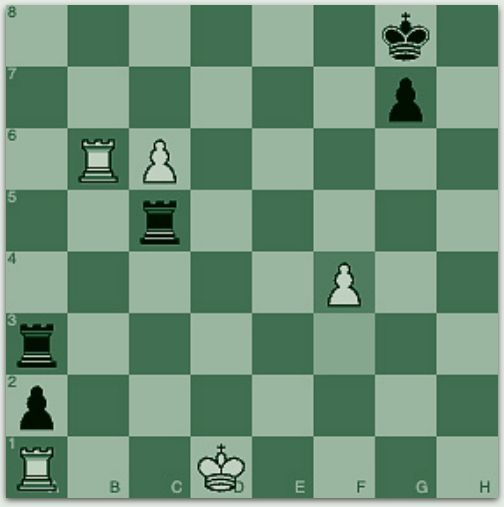
e2d2 _____ d2e2 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



g3f4 _____ f4g5 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



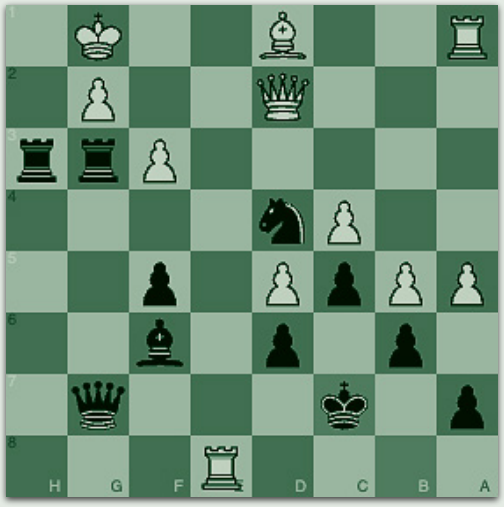
f3f4 _____ a1a2 _____ d1e2 _____ e2f3 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



f6g5 _____ g8f7 _____ f7e8 _____

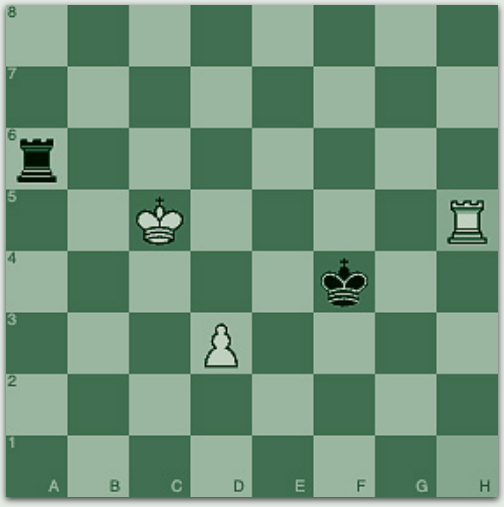
Puzzle #12: (White to move)



b8c7 _____ c7d7 _____ d7e8 _____ g3g7 _____

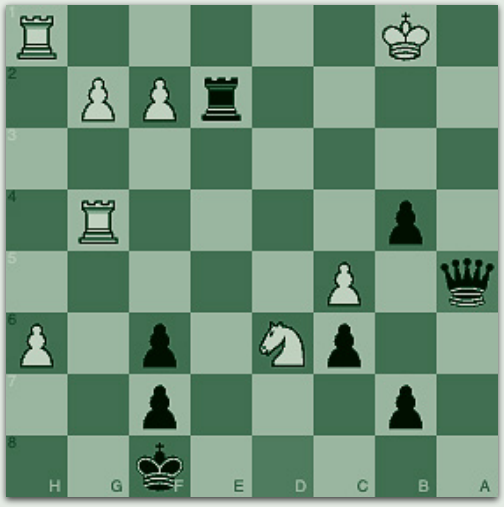
Skewer

Puzzle #13: (Black to move)



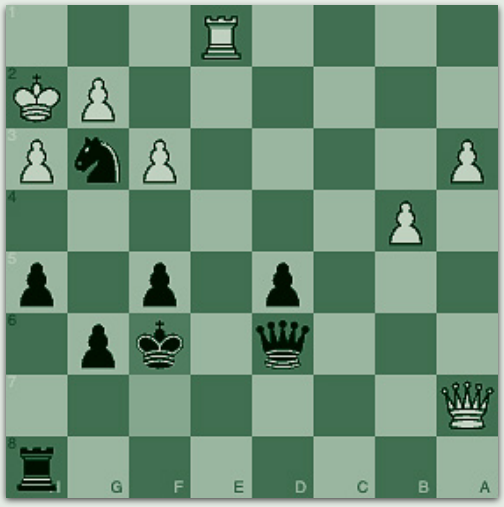
h1h5 _____ c5c4 _____

Puzzle #14: (White to move)



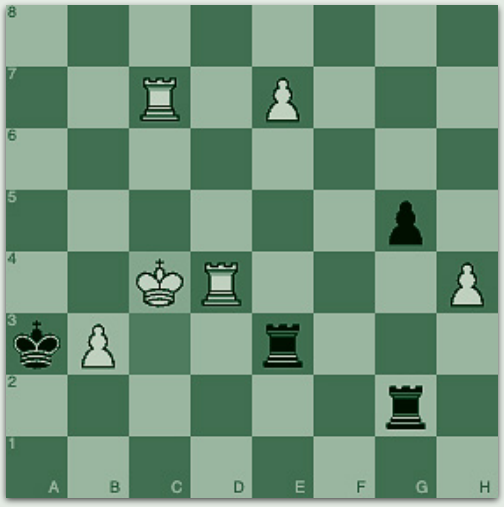
d8a5 _____ f8e7 _____ e7d7 _____

Puzzle #15: (White to move)



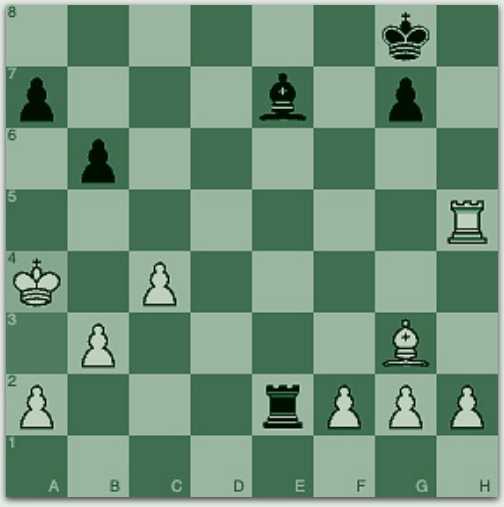
f7f6 _____ f6f7 _____

Puzzle #16: (Black to move)



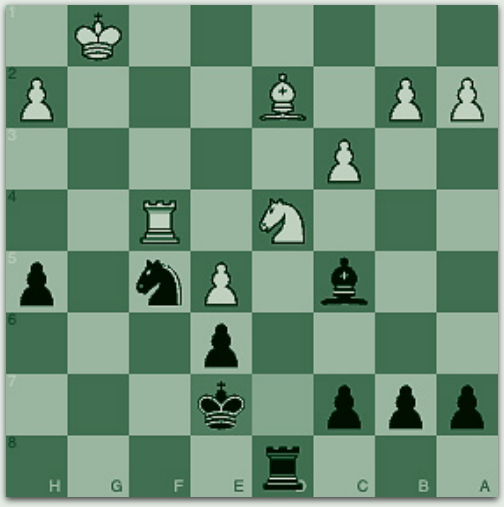
c3c4 _____ c4d5 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



a3a4 _____ a4b5 _____ b5c6 _____

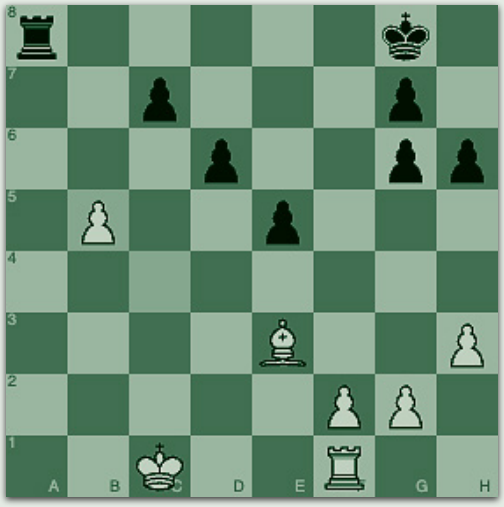
Puzzle #18: (White to move)



d7e7 _____ e6f5 _____ e7e8 _____

Skewer

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



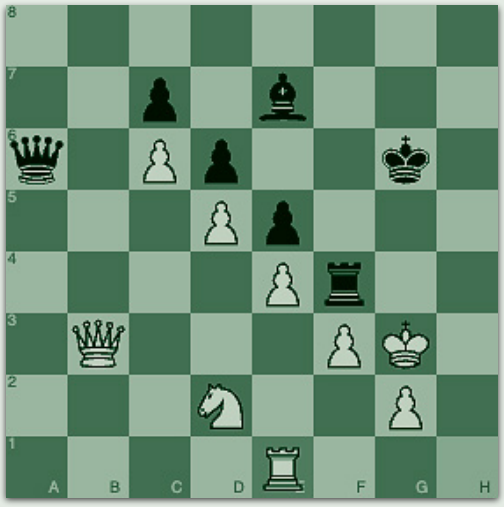
c4b5 _____ c1d2 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



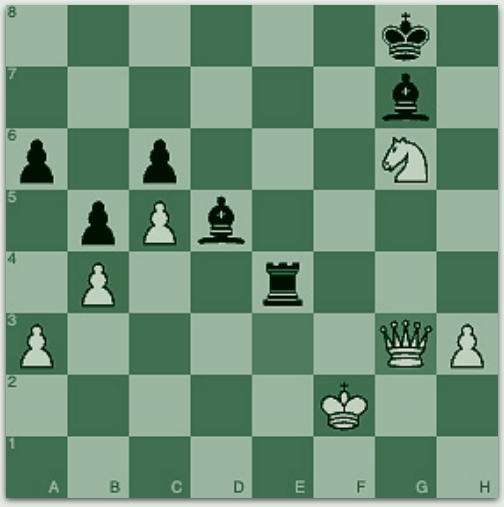
d3c3 _____ c3d3 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



h1e1 _____ g3h2 _____

Puzzle #22: (Black to move)



e3g3 _____ f2f1 _____ f1g2 _____ g2f3 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



f7f6 _____ f6g7 _____

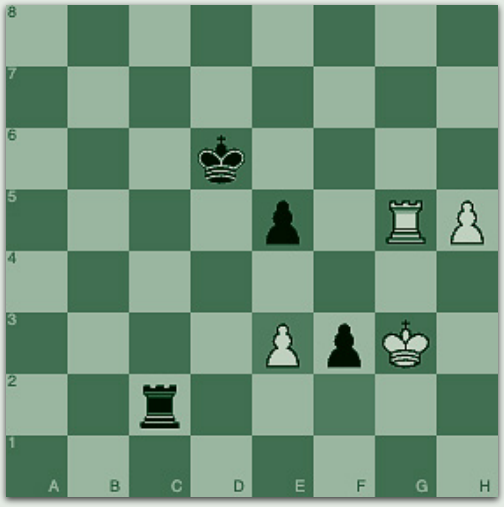
Puzzle #24: (White to move)



e7d7 _____ d7d6 _____ a8e8 _____

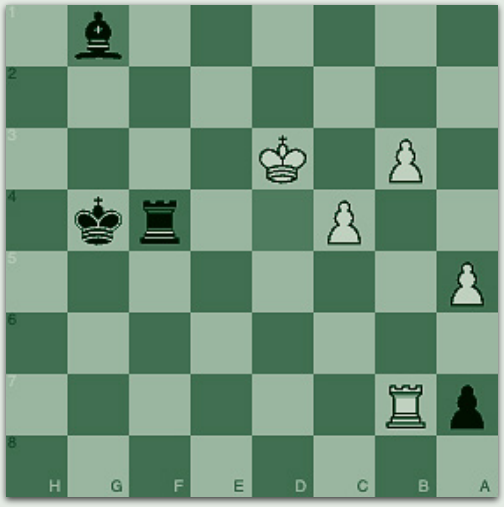
Skewer

Puzzle #25: (Black to move)



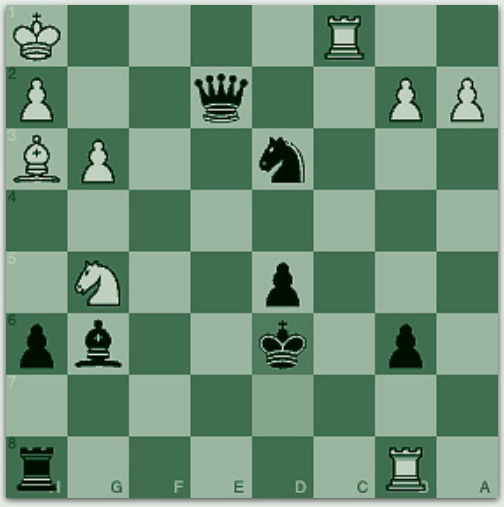
f2e3 _____ g3f3 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



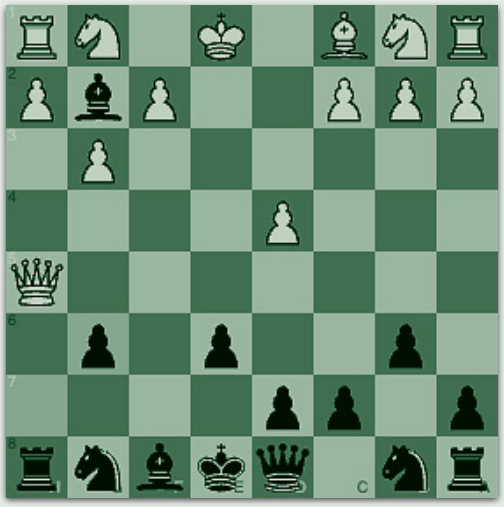
d4g1 _____ g4f5 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



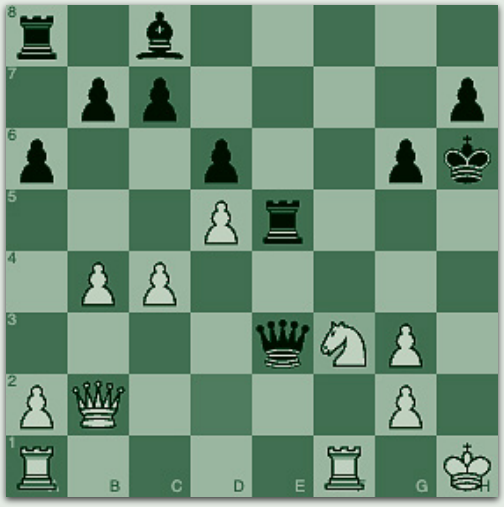
d7d6 _____ d6e5 _____ e5d4 _____ h6g5 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



h7g6 _____ e8e7 _____ e7d6 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



d2f3 _____ f3h4 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



h7g8 _____ g8f7 _____ f7e8 _____

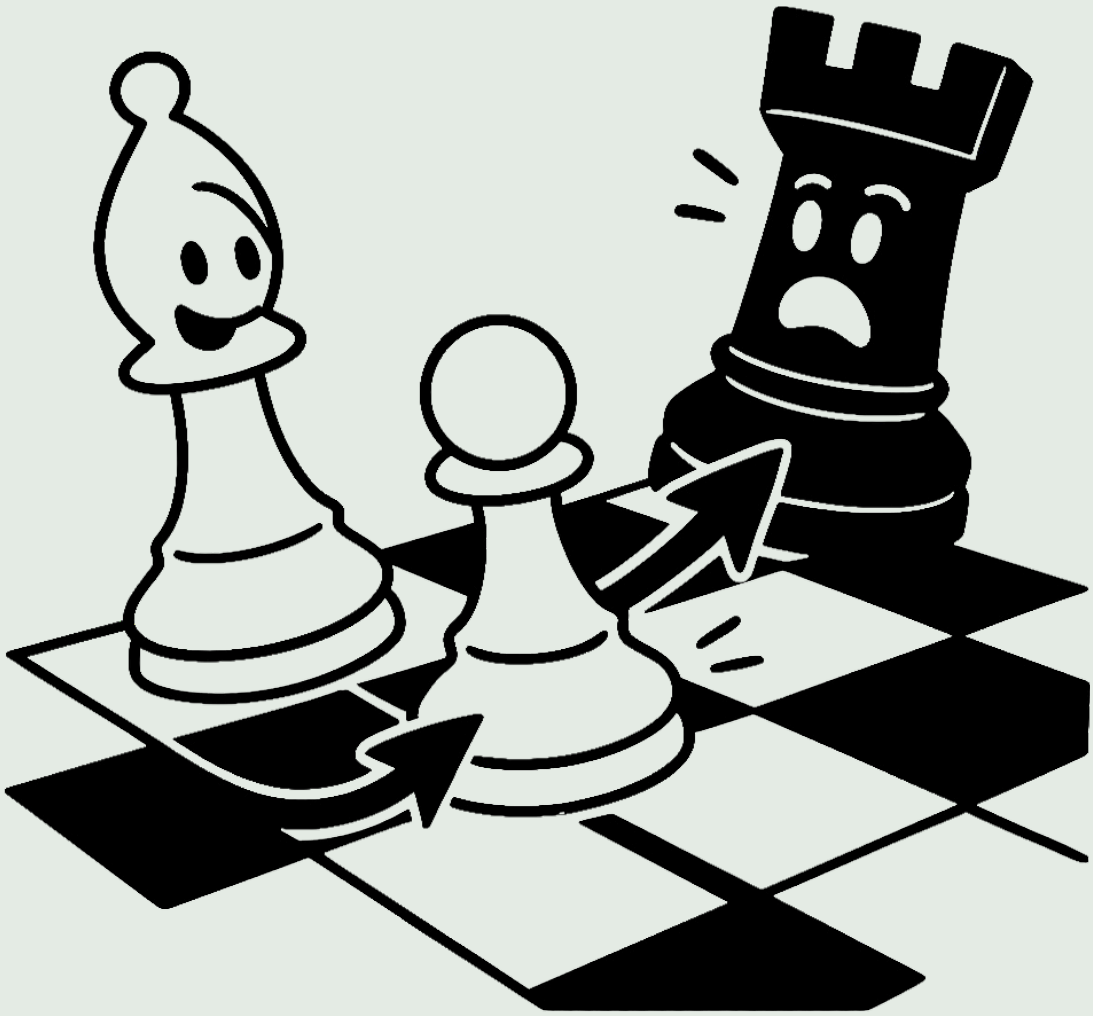
Discovered Attack

A Discovered Attack happens when one piece moves out of the way... and another piece suddenly attacks.

Two threats, one move.

Step 1: Spot a piece lined up behind another piece.
Step 2: Move the front piece to reveal the attack.
Step 3: Use the surprise.

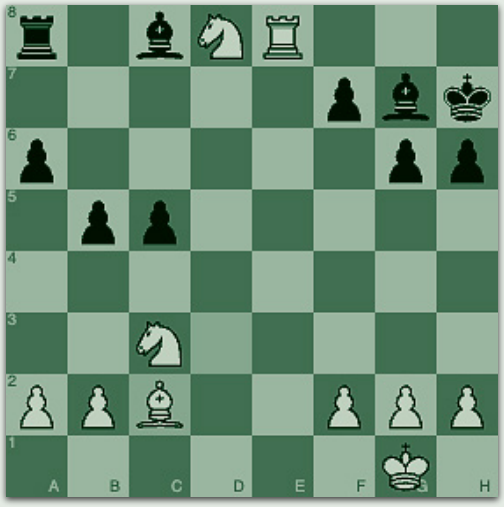
Sometimes the move isn't the attack —
it reveals the attack.



Discovered Attack

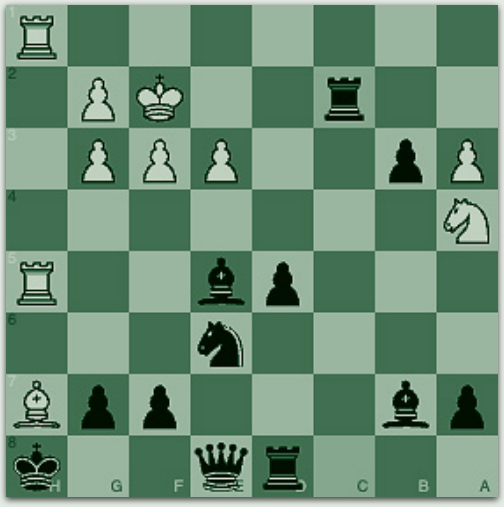
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



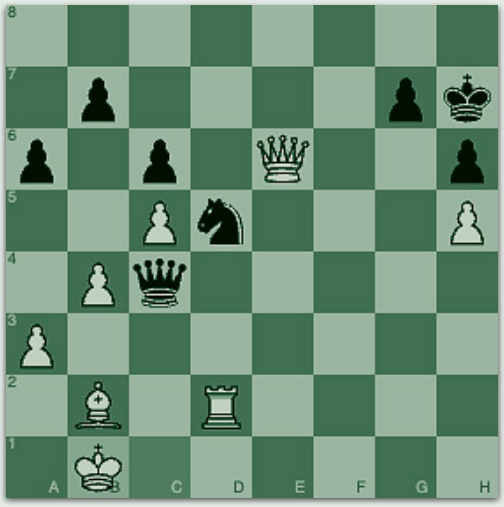
d3c2 _____ e8e7 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



c8c2 _____ h8g8 _____

Puzzle #3: (Black to move)



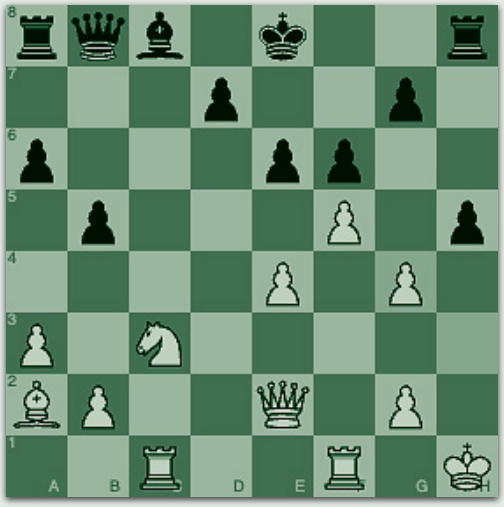
c1b1 _____ b2c3 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



f7f4 _____ e5f4 _____

Puzzle #5: (Black to move)



h3g4 _____ h1g1 _____ g1f2 _____ f2e1 _____

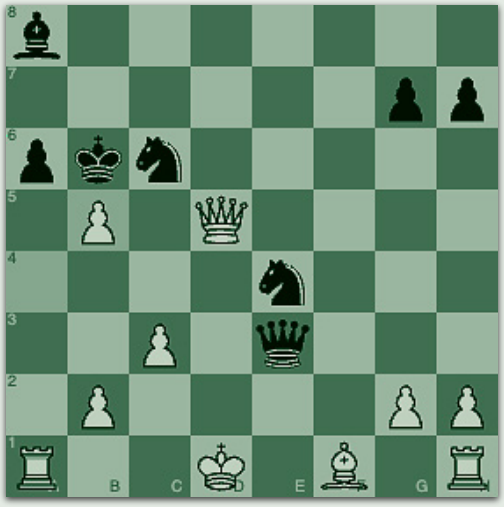
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



d6d7 _____ d1f3 _____

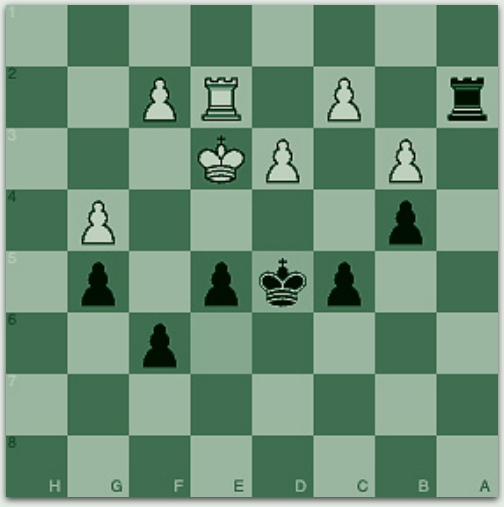
Discovered Attack

Puzzle #7: (Black to move)



a4b5 _____ d1c2 _____ c3b4 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



e6d5 _____ b4c3 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



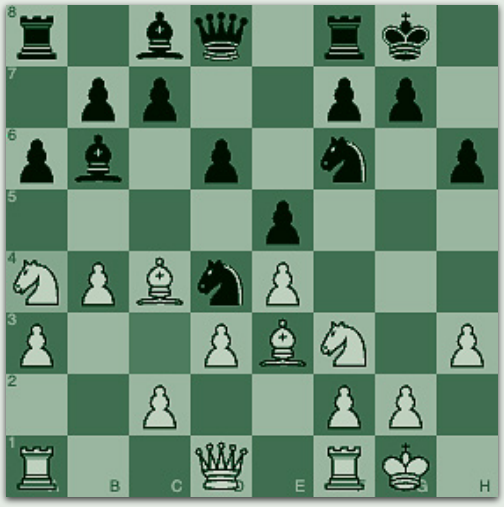
d8d6 _____ f6h7 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



b7d5 _____ g2f3 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



c3a4 _____ d1f3 _____ f3e3 _____

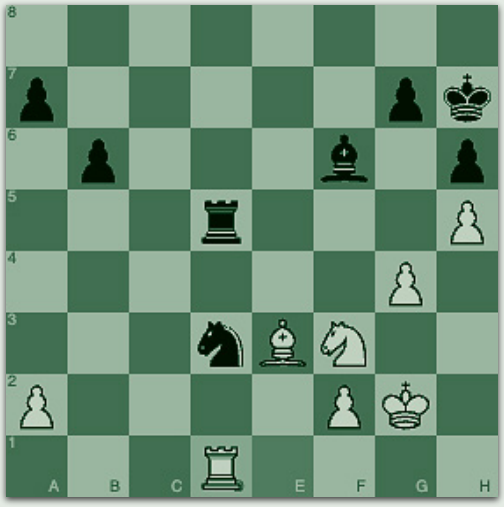
Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



e4f4 _____ h6f4 _____ f1e1 _____

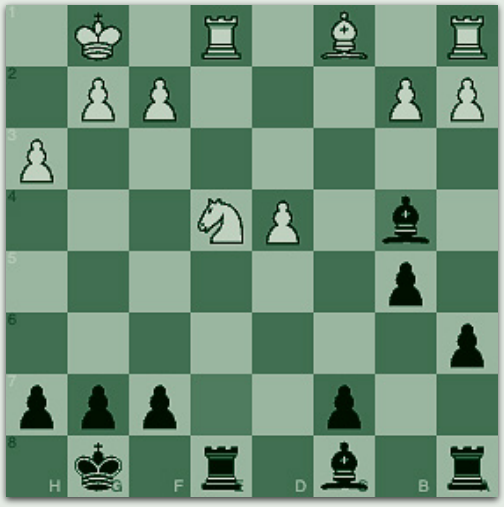
Discovered Attack

Puzzle #13: (Black to move)



e1d1 _____ e3f4 _____

Puzzle #14: (White to move)



e7b4 _____ g7f6 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



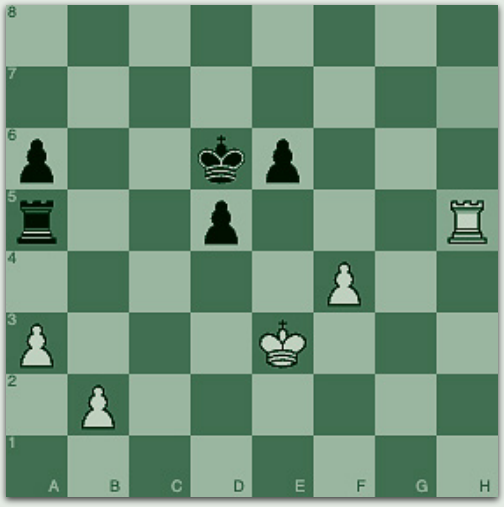
d3h7 _____ h7c2 _____

Puzzle #16: (Black to move)



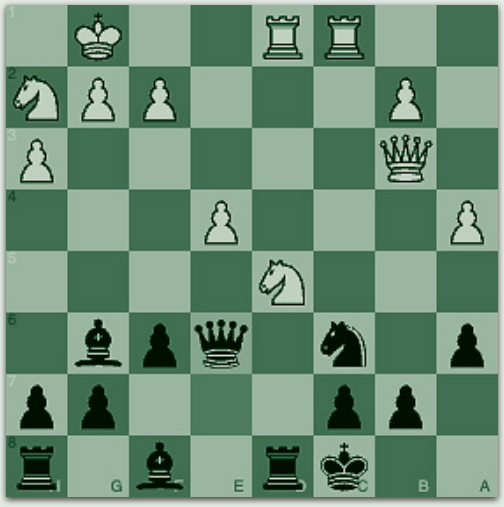
g2b7 _____ d4f6 _____ f6d8 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



h7h5 _____ e3d4 _____

Puzzle #18: (White to move)



e7e6 _____ c8b8 _____ d8d1 _____

Discovered Attack

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



c5c4 _____ d5c4 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



b6c4 _____ b7d5 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



e5e6 _____ c1d2 _____ d2e2 _____ e2f2 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



c5c4 _____ h6h7 _____ h7g8 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



f8f2 _____ g8h7 _____

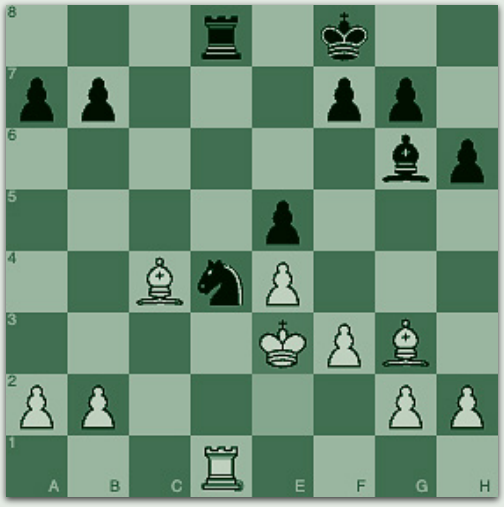
Puzzle #24: (White to move)



a8c8 _____ e5d4 _____

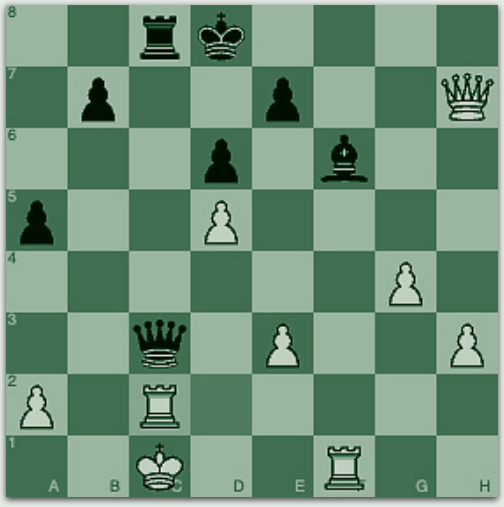
Discovered Attack

Puzzle #25: (Black to move)



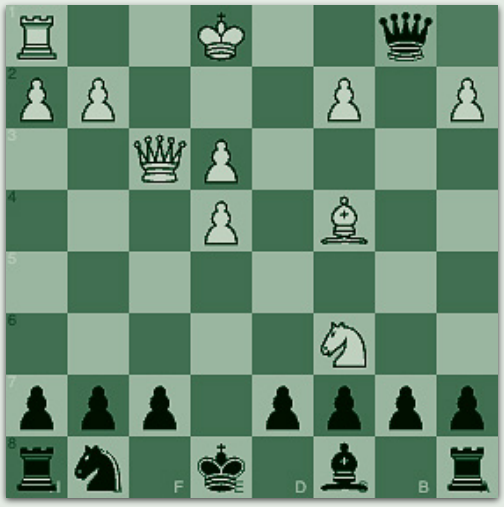
e2e3 _____ e3e2 _____ e2d1 _____ d1e2 _____

Puzzle #26: (Black to move)



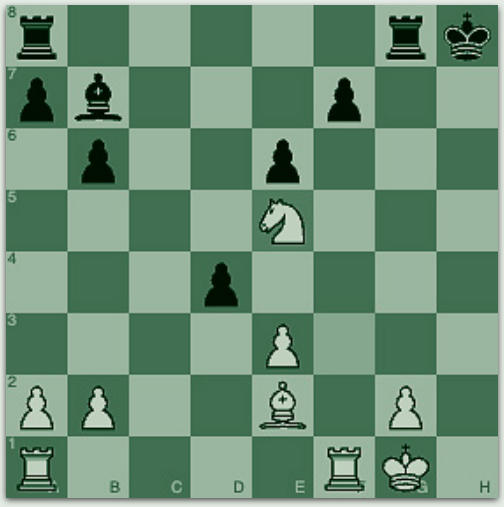
d2c2 _____ c1d2 _____ h7c2 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



a1b1 _____ g8h6 _____

Puzzle #28: (Black to move)



f3e5 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #29: (White to move)



f8h7 _____ f6h6 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



f2e3 _____ g1h1 _____

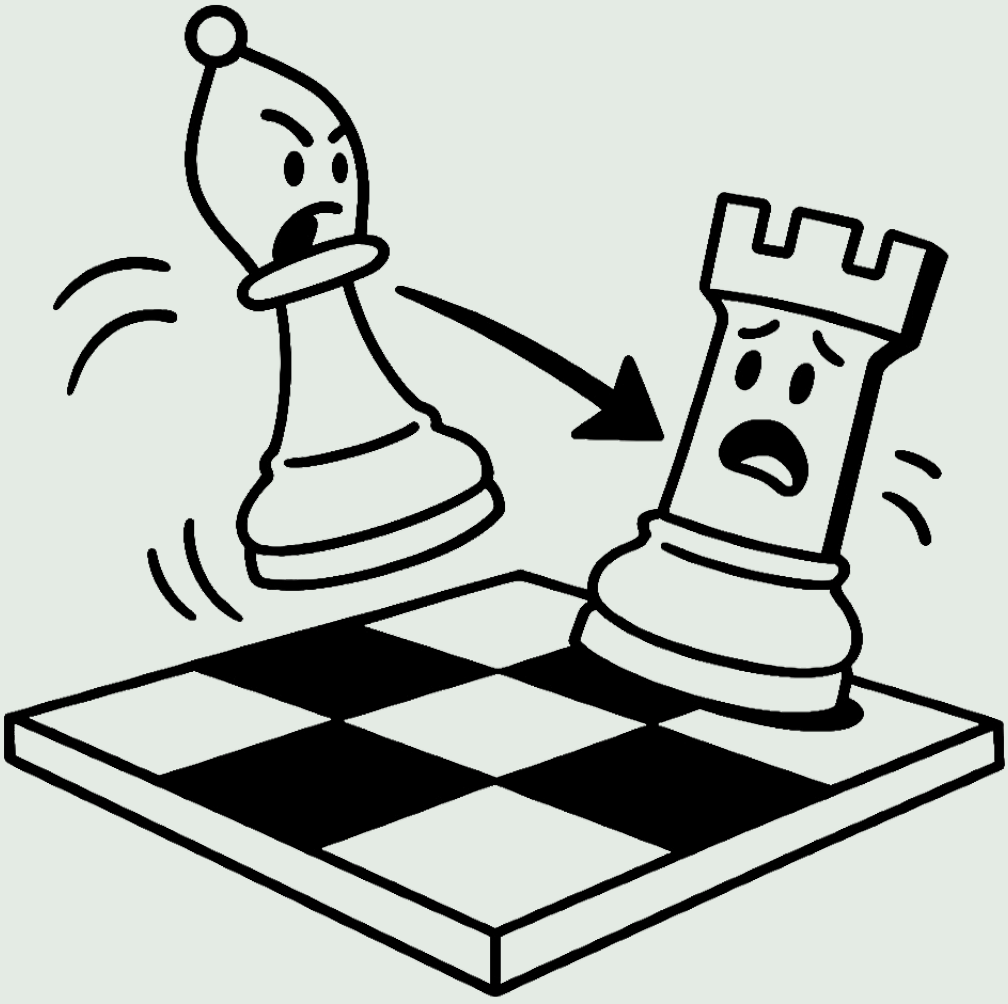
X-Ray Attack

An X-Ray Attack is when a piece attacks through another piece — like it can see straight through it.

The front piece moves or disappears... and the attack continues.

Step 1: Line up your piece with a target behind another piece.
Step 2: Imagine, what if the front piece moves or is captured?
Step 3: Use the pressure.

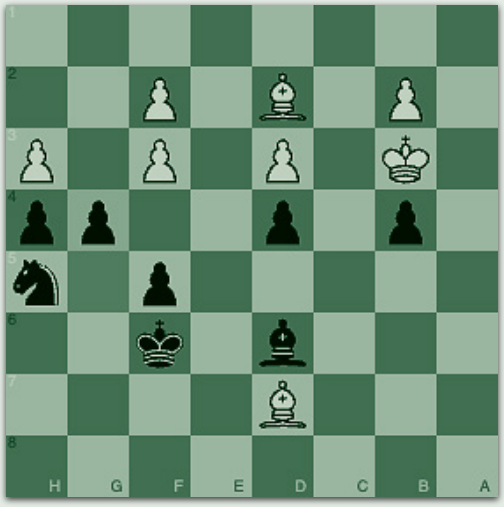
You're attacking now —and later.



X-Ray Attack

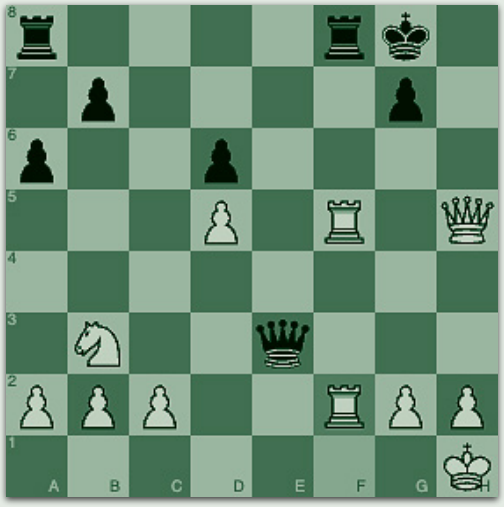
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



g5g4 _____ f5g4 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



f1f2 _____ f2f1 _____ f5f1 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



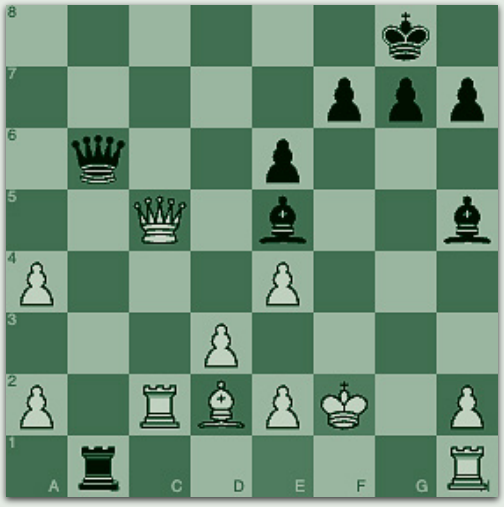
b8b1 _____ c2b1r _____

Puzzle #4: (Black to move)



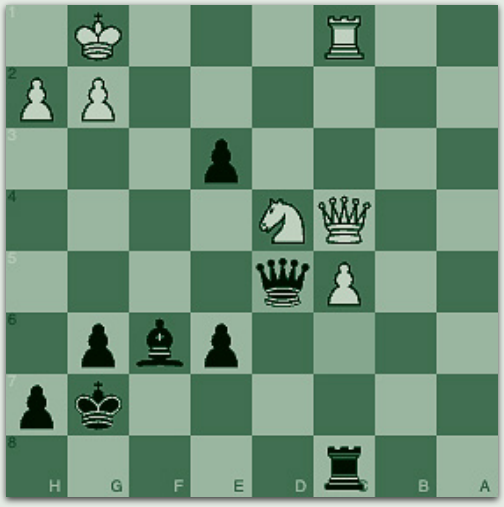
e4d5 _____ e2e1 _____

Puzzle #5: (Black to move)



e1f2 _____ c5d4 _____ d2e3 _____

Puzzle #6: (White to move)



c6d5 _____ d5e6 _____

X-Ray Attack

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



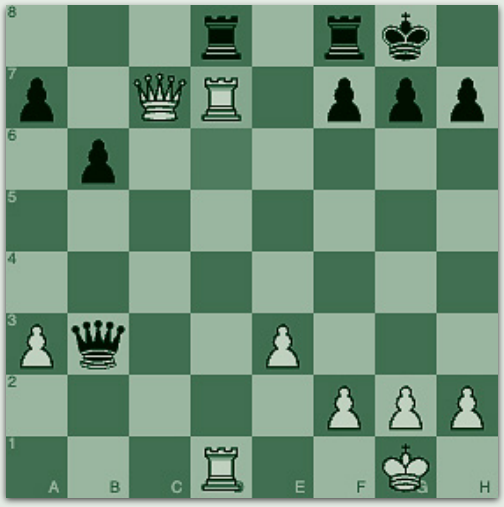
e5e8 _____ e8f8 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



a6b5 _____ c8d7 _____ c7c6 _____ b7c6 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



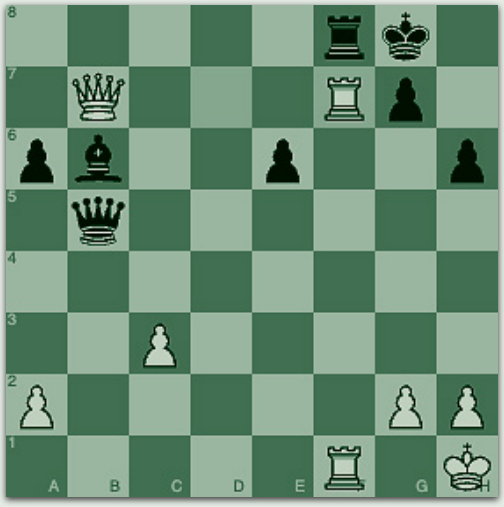
d6d7 _____ d7d1 _____

Puzzle #10: (White to move)



a6b5 _____ c8d7 _____ c7c6 _____ b7c6 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



d7f7 _____ f7f1 _____

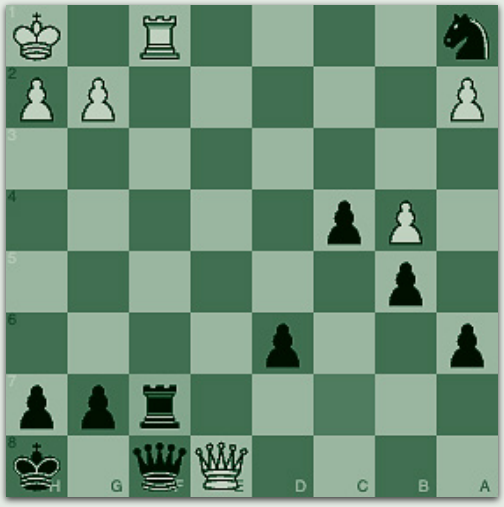
Puzzle #12: (White to move)



c6c8 _____ c3c8 _____ f7f8 _____

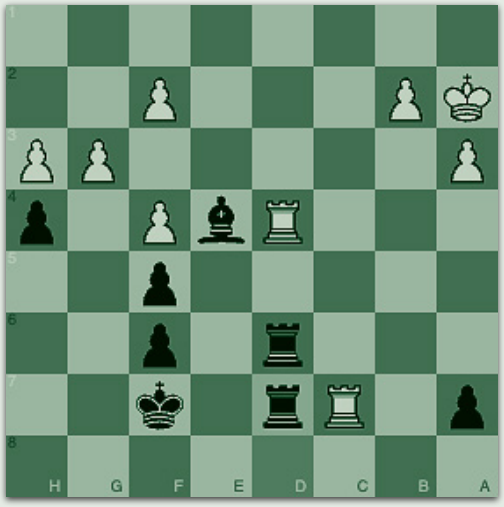
X-Ray Attack

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



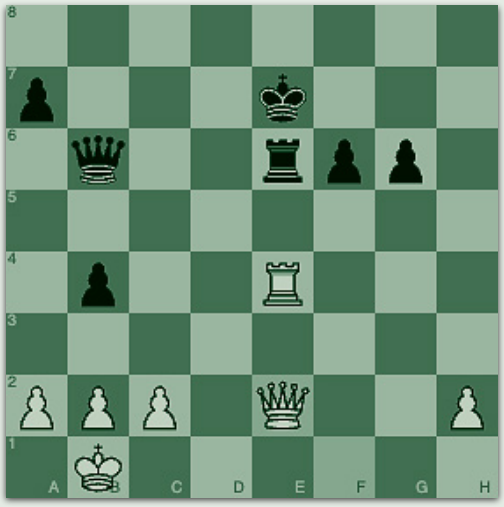
c7f7 _____ f7f8 _____

Puzzle #14: (White to move)



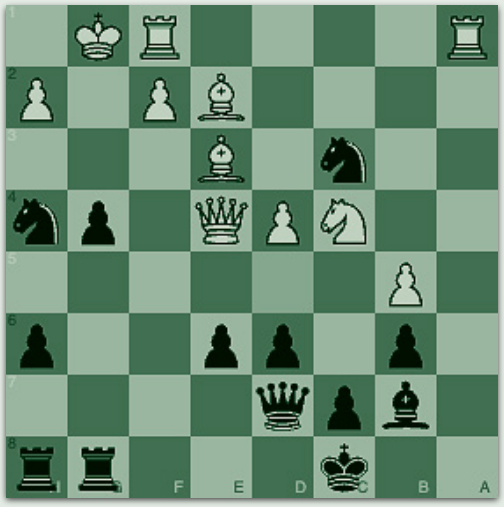
d8d7 _____ d6d7 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



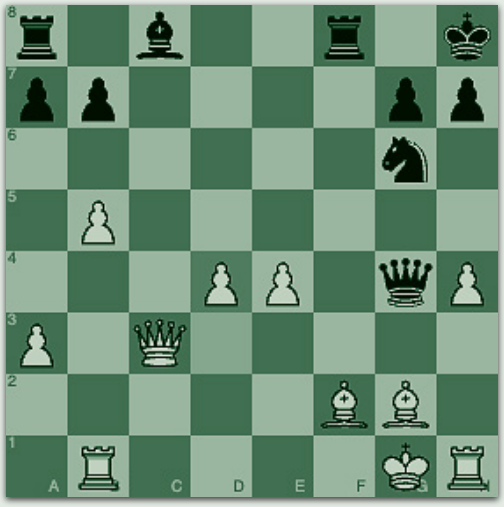
f1e2 _____ e2e1 _____ e4e1 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



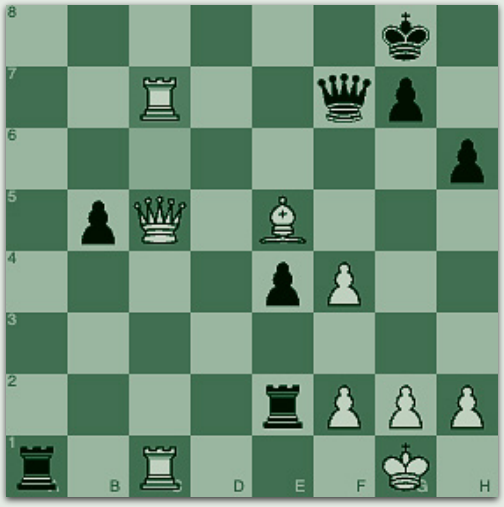
d5c3 _____ b7a8 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



d3d4 _____ c3f3 _____ f3e2 _____

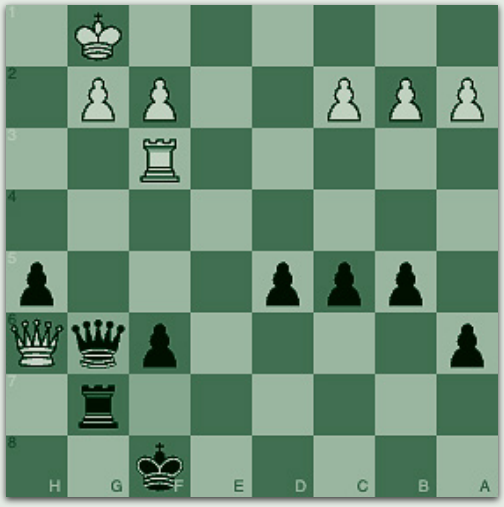
Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



c6c7 _____ c1e1 _____

X-Ray Attack

Puzzle #19: (White to move)



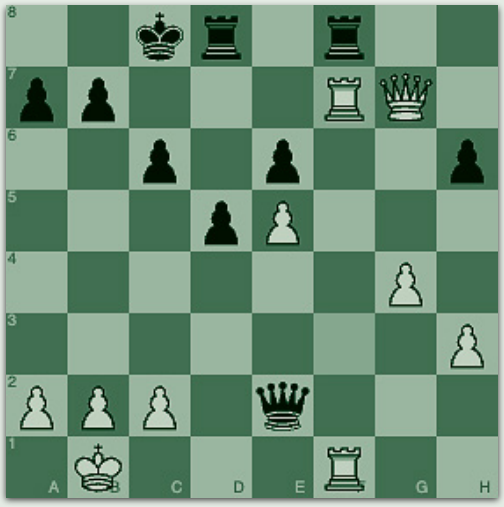
f7g6 _____ g6f6 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



f8e8 _____ e6f5 _____ c6e8 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



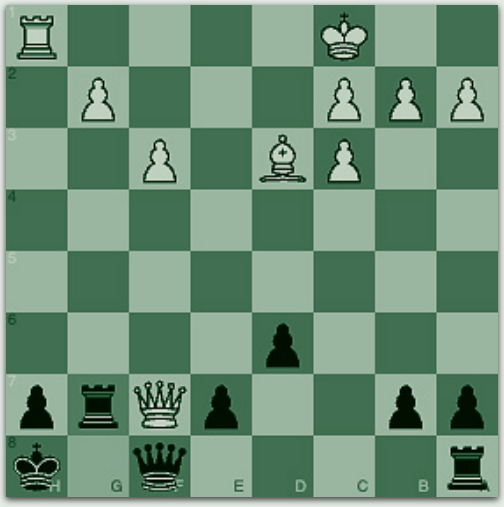
f3f7 _____ f7f1 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



b7a7 _____ a7a8 _____ c7b8 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



g8g7 _____ g7h7 _____

Puzzle #24: (White to move)



d7b5 _____ b2b5 _____

X-Ray Attack

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



d6d5 _____ d5d8 _____

Puzzle #26: (Black to move)



e2f3 _____ f3g2 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



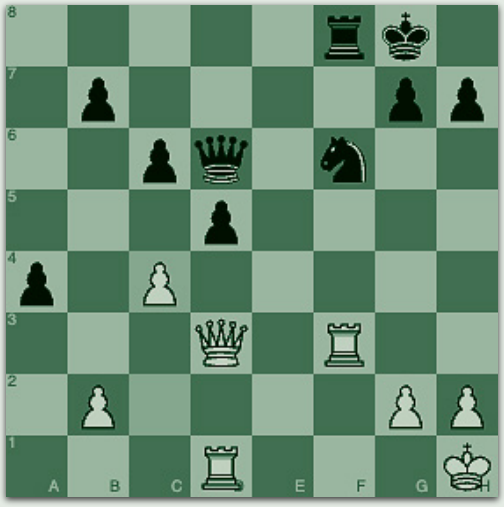
f4f2 _____ f2g2 _____

Puzzle #28: (Black to move)



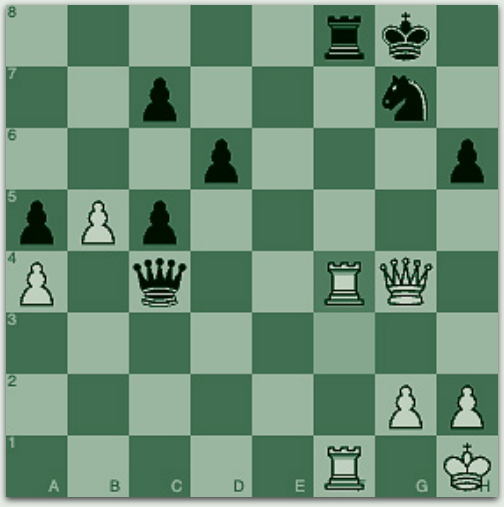
e3d2 _____ d2e1 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



c2c4 _____ g2g3 _____ f3f2 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



f3f4 _____ f4f1 _____

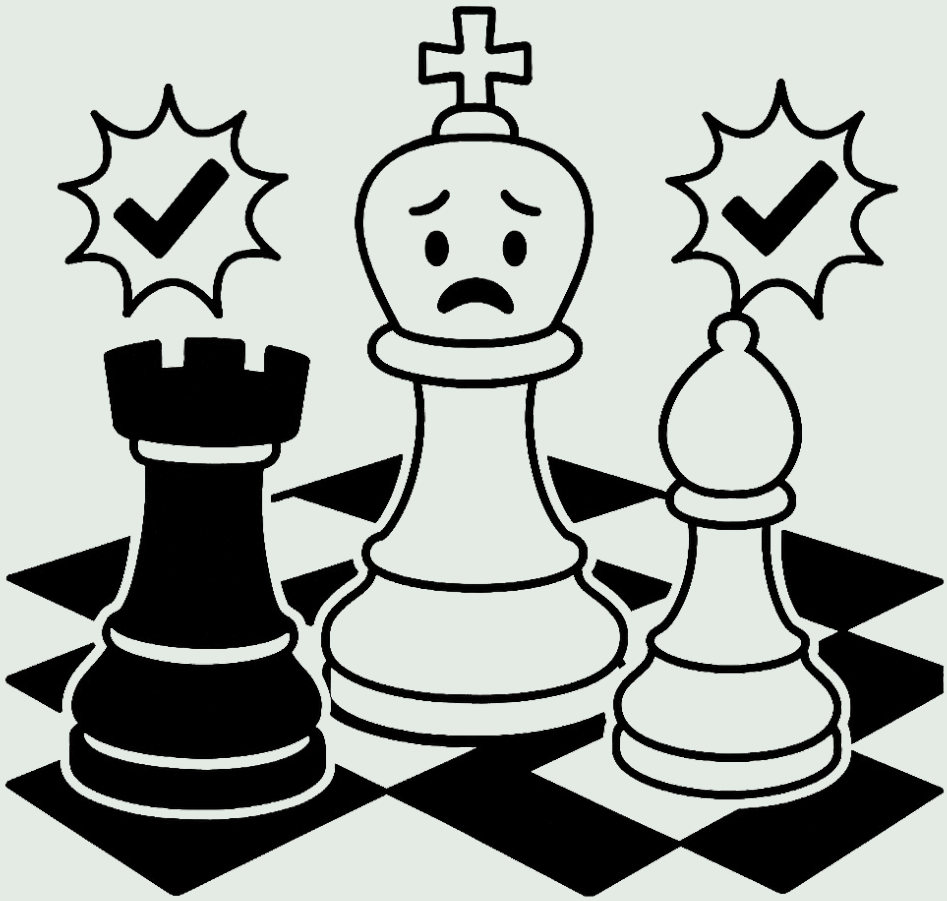
Double Check

A Double Check is one of the strongest attacks in chess.
Two pieces give check at the same time — and the king is in serious trouble.

Here's the key thing: the king must move.
You can't block or capture both checks.

Step 1: Look for a discovered check that also creates a check.
Step 2: Notice that only the king can respond to it.
Step 3: Use it to force checkmate or win material.

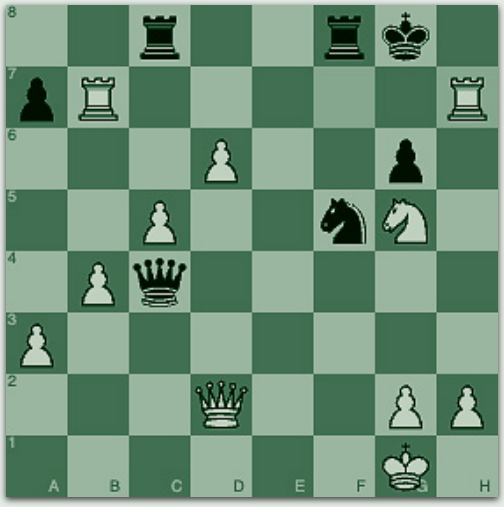
Two checks. One king. No easy escape.



Double Check

Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



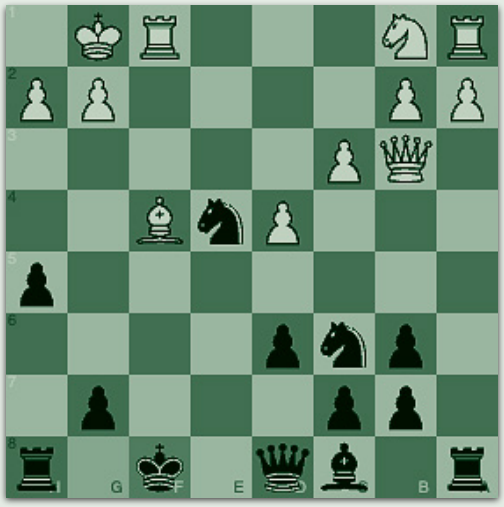
f7h7 _____ g1f1 _____ f1e1 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



g3h4 _____ h1g1 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



g8f8 _____ f8e8 _____

Puzzle #4: (Black to move)



h1h2 _____ h2g1 _____ g1f1 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



g8h7 _____ h7h6 _____

Puzzle #6: (White to move)



e8f8 _____ h8h7 _____ h7g7 _____

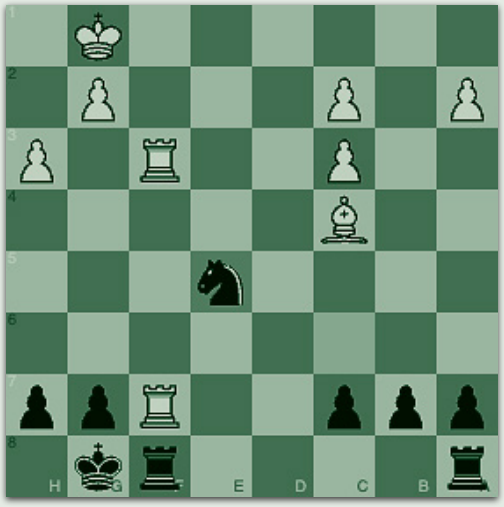
Double Check

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



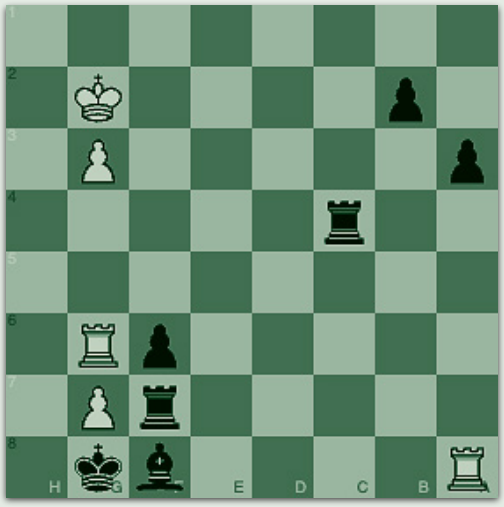
d4f4 _____ g8f7 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



c6e5 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



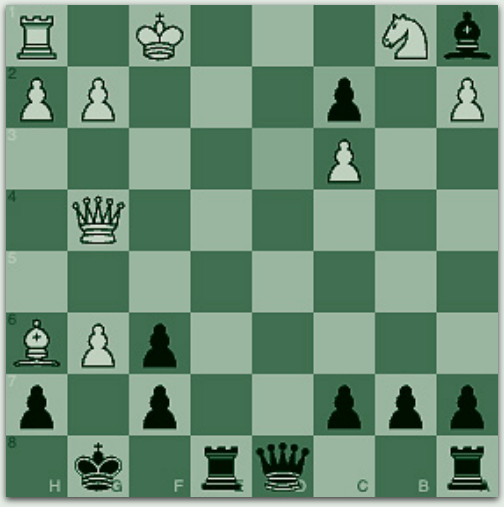
b2b1q _____ g8h7 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



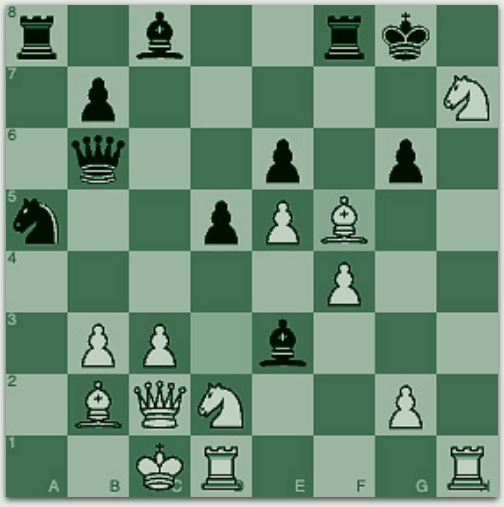
h1g1 _____ g1h1 _____ f1g1 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



d3c2 _____ g8h7 _____

Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



d3f5 _____ c1b1 _____ b2a1 _____

Double Check

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



c4a3 _____ g7h8 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



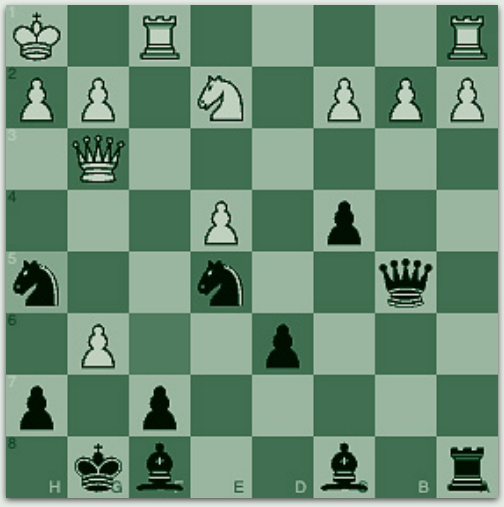
b4d5 _____ f1f2 _____ f2f1 _____ g1f1 _____

Puzzle #15: (White to move)



c5d4 _____ h8g7 _____ g7f8 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



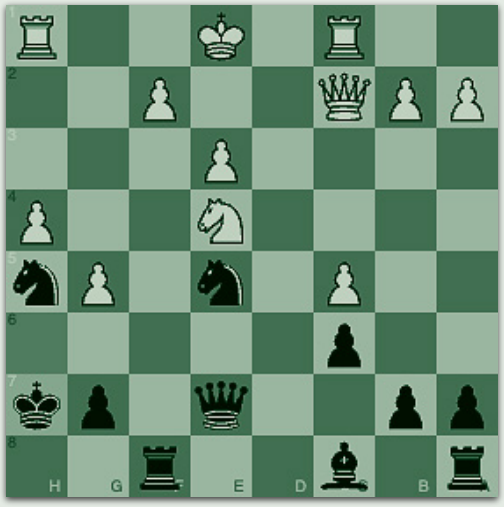
f6h5 _____ g8h8 _____

Puzzle #17: (White to move)



g8f6 _____ e8f7 _____ f7g7 _____

Puzzle #18: (White to move)



h6h7 _____ h7h8 _____

Double Check

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



d2e4 _____ f1g2 _____ h1g1 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



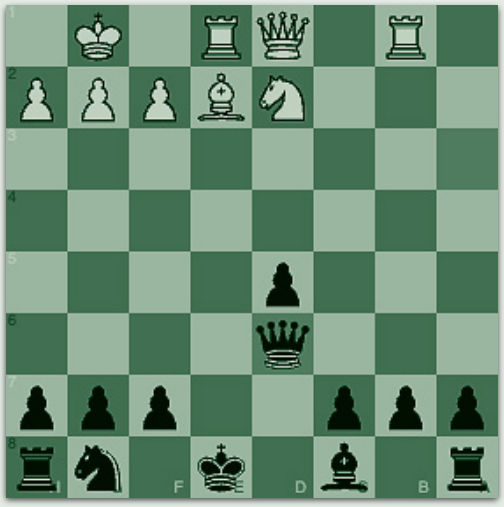
b4d3 _____ g8h8 _____ h8g8 _____ e7g5 _____

Puzzle #21: (White to move)



e7f6 _____ g8h8 _____ f8g8 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



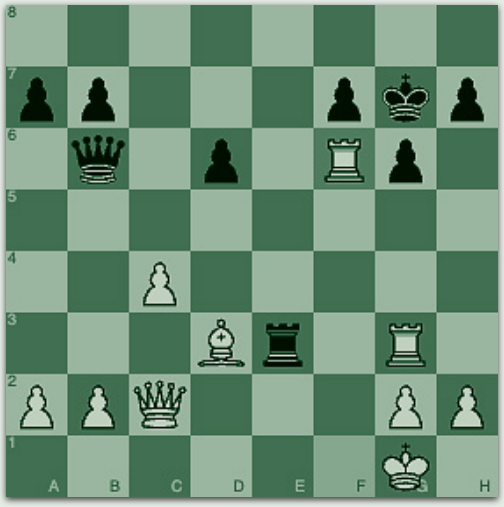
a3d6 _____ e8f8 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



e5e4 _____ g8f8 _____ f8e7 _____ g5f6 _____

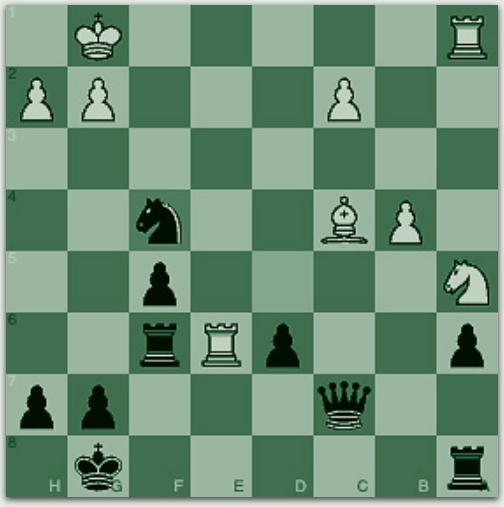
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



f1f6 _____

Double Check

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



d5f4 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



a3b3 _____ g7g8 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



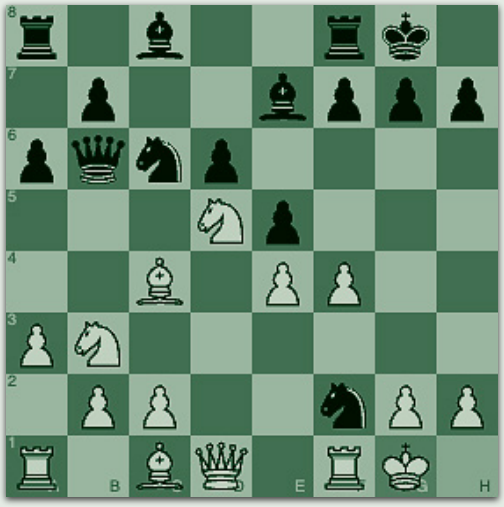
f4h3 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



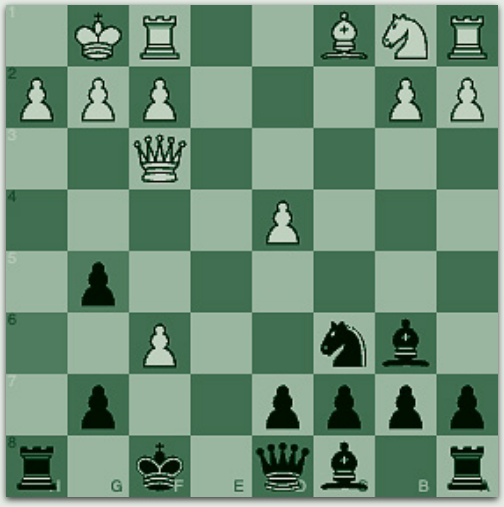
f8e7 _____ g8g7 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



h1g1 _____ g1h1 _____ f1g1 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



h6g5 _____ d8e8 _____ f8g7 _____

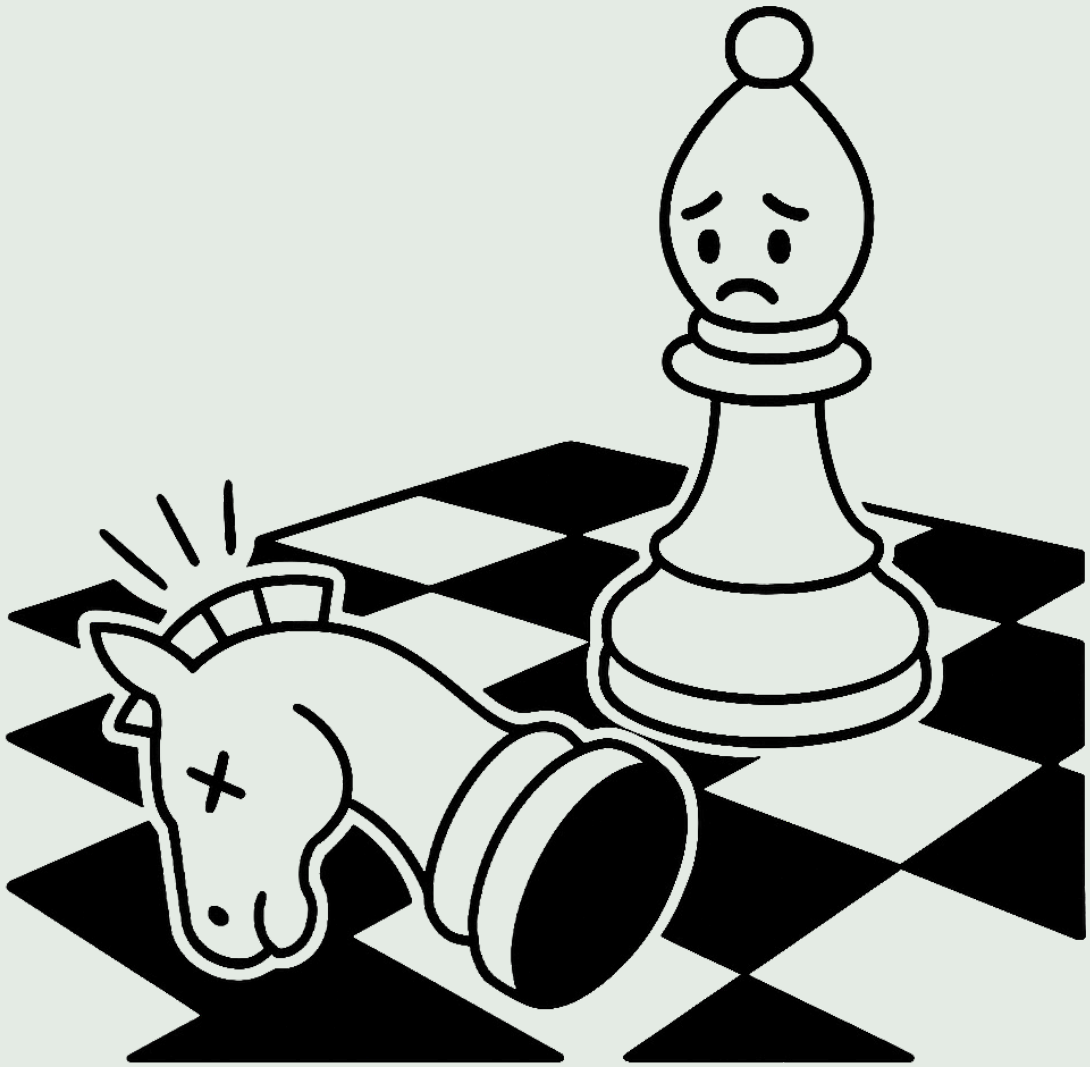
Sacrifice

A Sacrifice means giving up a piece on purpose — not by mistake — to get something better.

It might be checkmate, a strong attack, or a winning position.

Step 1: Ask what you gain by giving up the piece.
Step 2: Check if the opponent has to accept it.
Step 3: Use the open lines or weak king.

You lose a piece... but gain the game.



Sacrifice

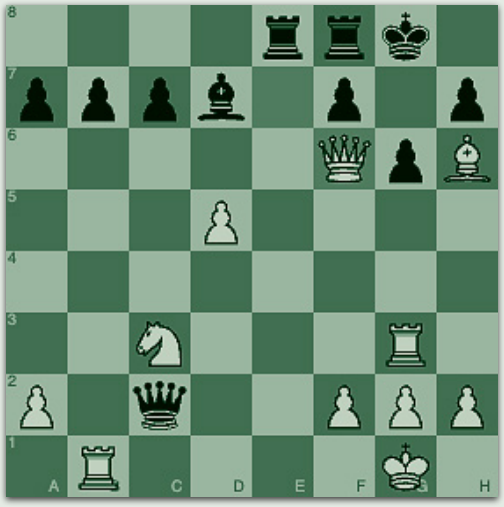
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



d5d6 _____ b1b2 _____

Puzzle #2: (Black to move)



e7f6 _____ c3b1 _____

Puzzle #3: (Black to move)



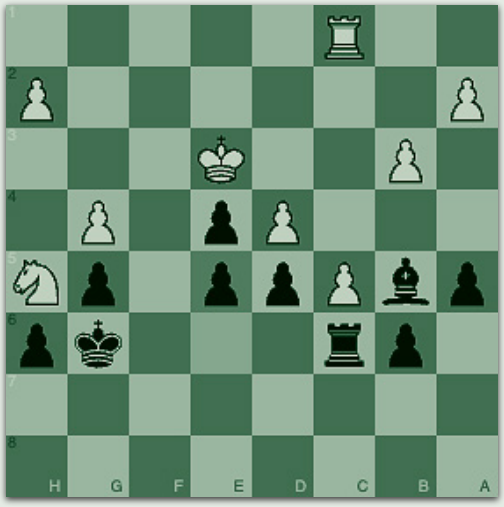
e7f7 _____ e3f1 _____ g1f1 _____

Puzzle #4: (Black to move)



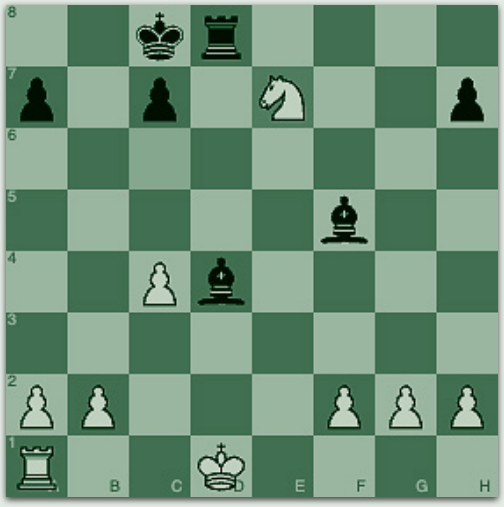
d3e4 _____ a1d1 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



e6e5 _____ c6c1 _____ c1e1 _____

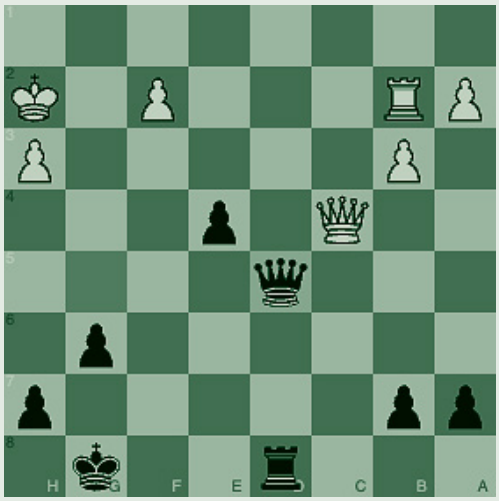
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



c6e7 _____ e7f5 _____

Sacrifice

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



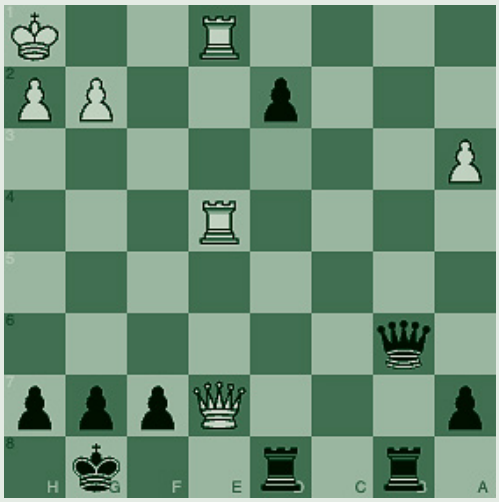
g5d5 _____ d5c4 _____ g8f7 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



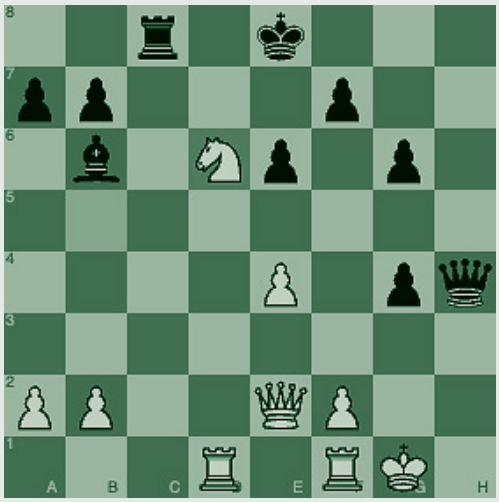
a8f8 _____ g8h7 _____ h7g8 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



d3d2 _____ d8e8 _____ b8e8 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



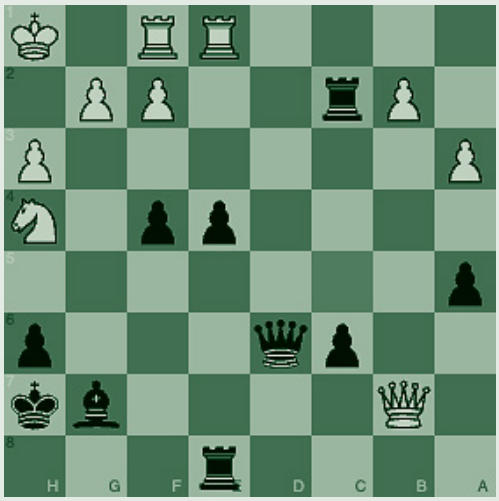
b5d6 _____ e2d3 _____ d3c2 _____

Puzzle #11: (White to move)



e7d7 _____ d7f7 _____ g6h5 _____

Puzzle #12: (White to move)



c5c2 _____ h7g7 _____ g7g8 _____

Sacrifice

Puzzle #13: (Black to move)



d2e3 _____ e1f1 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



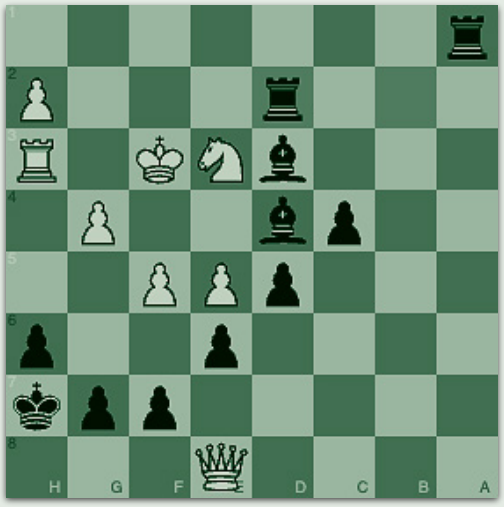
c3d5 _____ g5e7 _____ g2f3 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



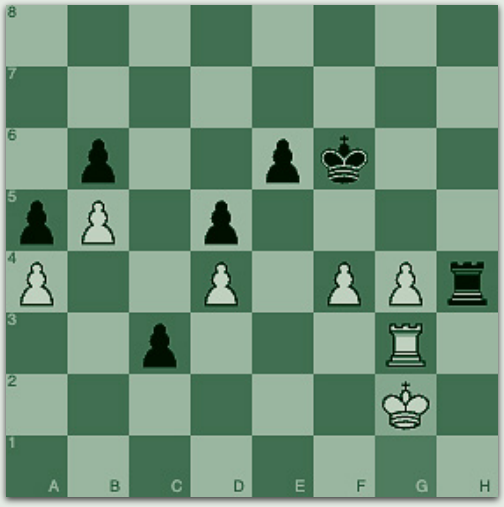
f8d7 _____ g1h1 _____ e1f1 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



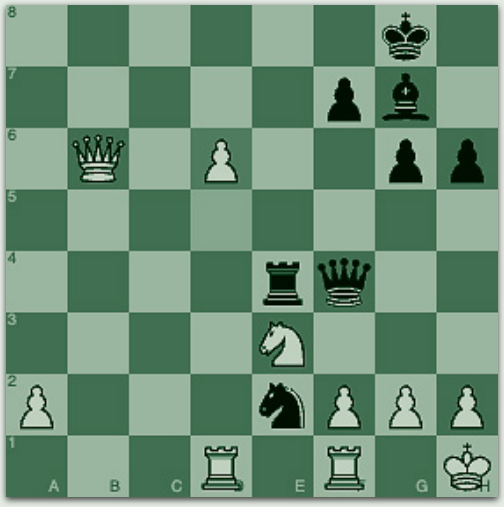
b2d2 _____ g7h6 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



g1g2 _____ g3g4 _____ g2f3 _____

Puzzle #18: (Black to move)



d5d6 _____ h1h2 _____

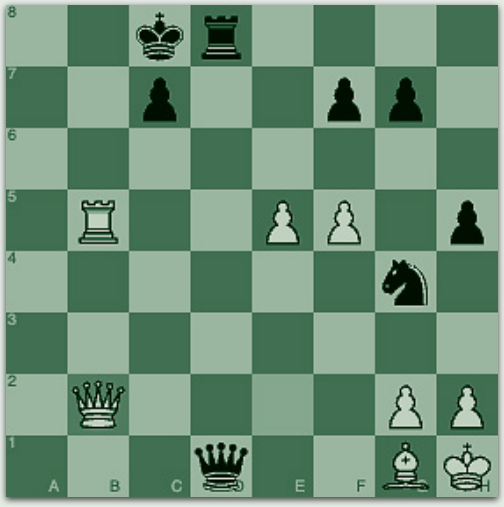
Sacrifice

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



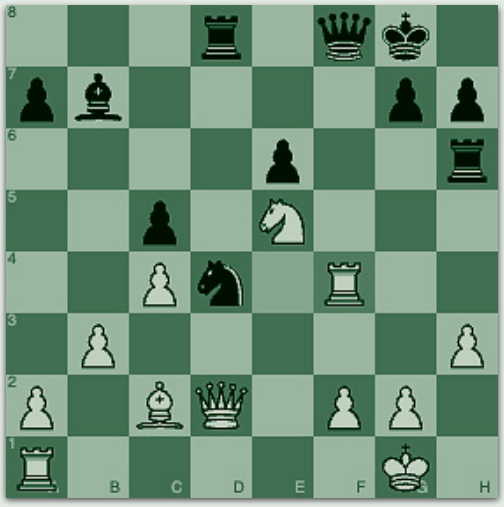
e2c4 _____ g2h3 _____

Puzzle #20: (Black to move)



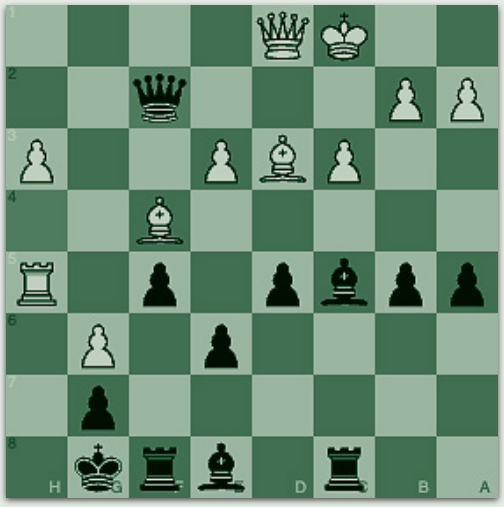
e2b2 _____ h1g1 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



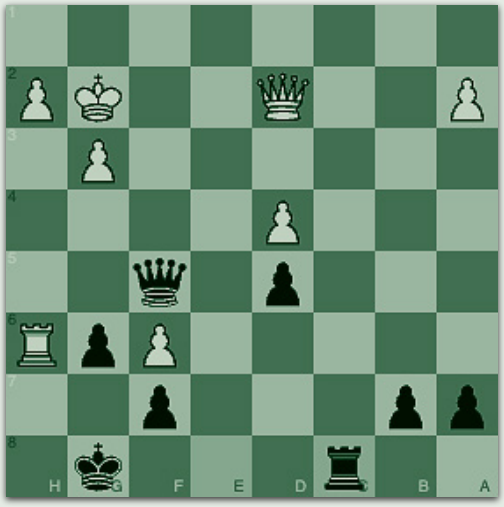
e4f4 _____ d2f4 _____ g1h2 _____

Puzzle #22: (White to move)



h4f2 _____ g8h8 _____ h8g8 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



e8c8 _____ g8h8 _____ h8g8 _____

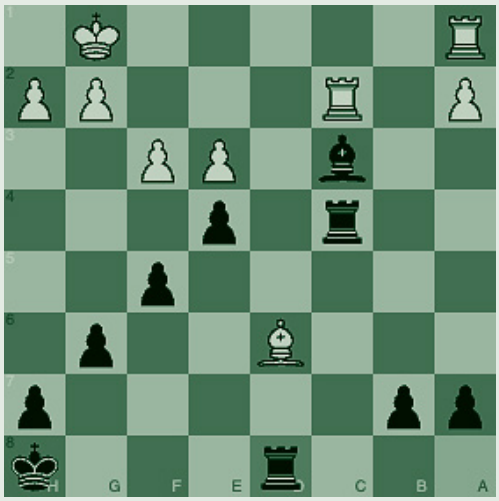
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



b5b6 _____ d3c3 _____ g1h1 _____

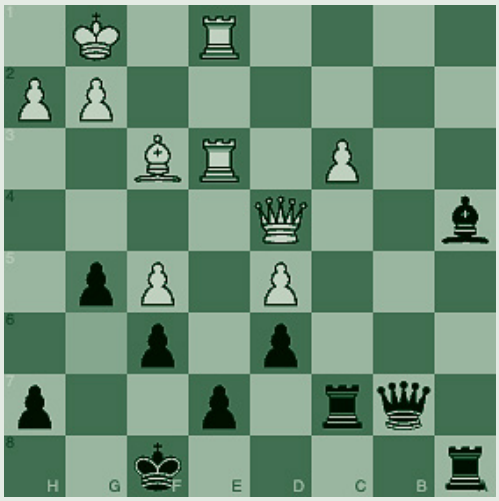
Sacrifice

Puzzle #25: (White to move)



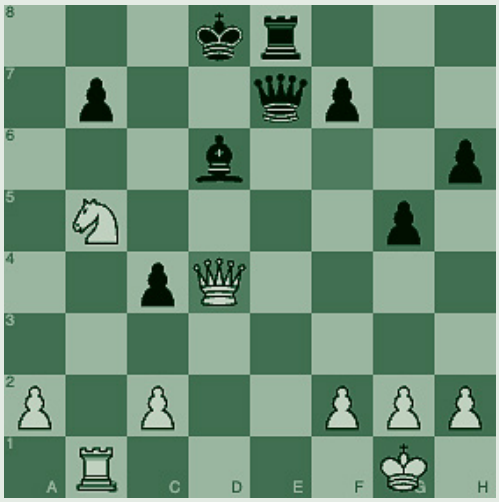
a8d8 _____ c4c3 _____ h8g8 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



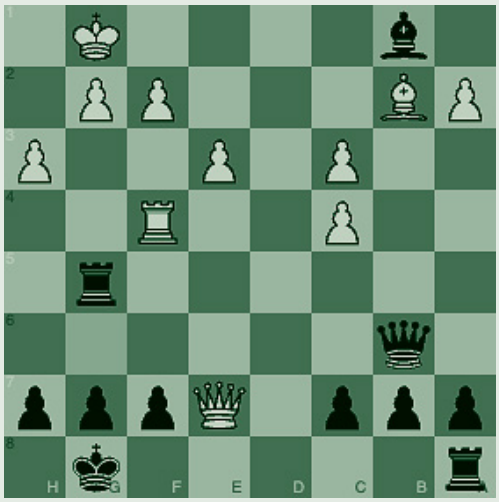
g6g5 _____ c7e7 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)



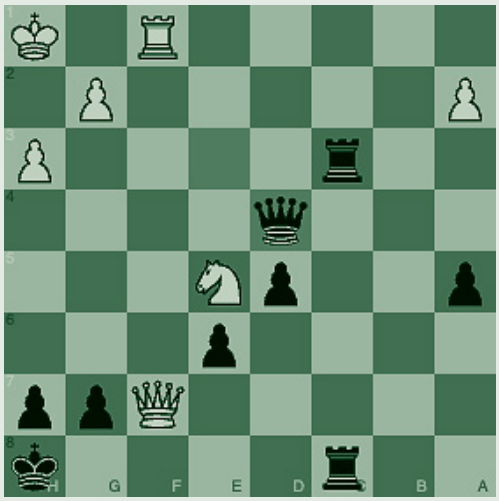
f6d4 _____ b1e1 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



g6b1 _____ g8h8 _____ a8f8 _____

Puzzle #29: (White to move)



e3d4 _____ c8f8 _____

Puzzle #30: (Black to move)



f2f3 _____ g4g3 _____ g2h2 _____

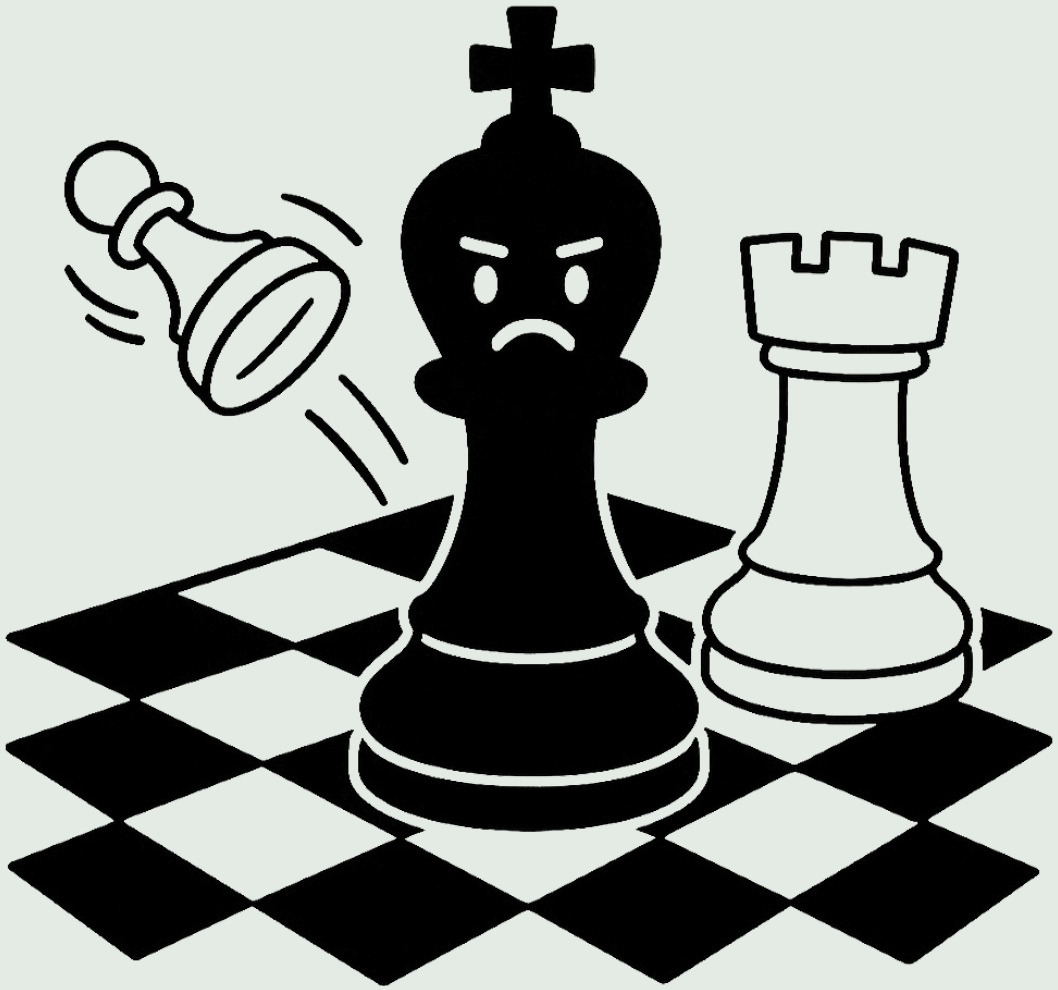
Deflection

A Deflection is all about distraction.
You force an enemy piece to move away from an important square — and suddenly everything breaks down.

The piece has to respond... and that's exactly what you want.

Step 1: Find a piece that's guarding something important.
Step 2: Attack it or tempt it to move.
Step 3: Use the gap it leaves behind.

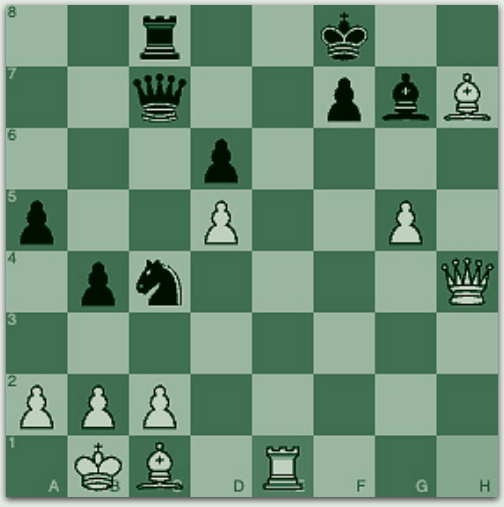
Pull it away. Then strike.



Deflection

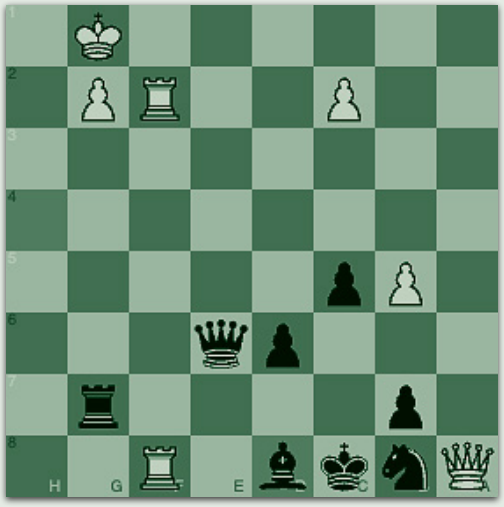
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (Black to move)



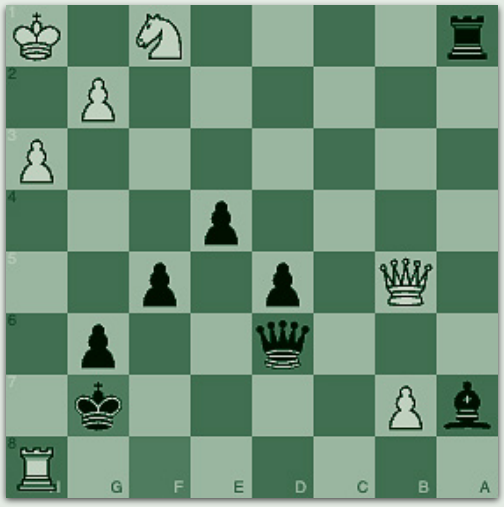
h1e1 _____ b1a1 _____ h7c2 _____ h4f4 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



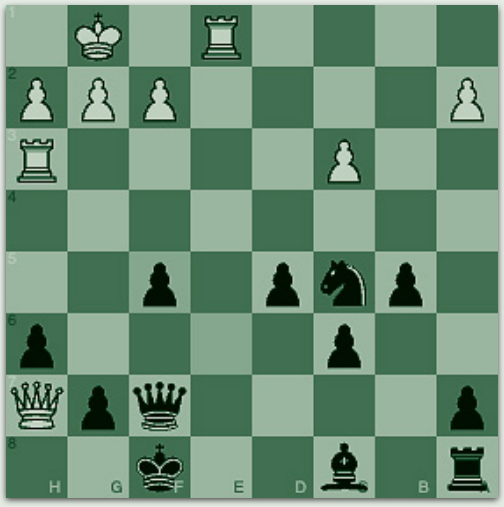
h4d8 _____ c8d8 _____ d8d7 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



f8g7 _____ d6f6 _____ a7b8 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



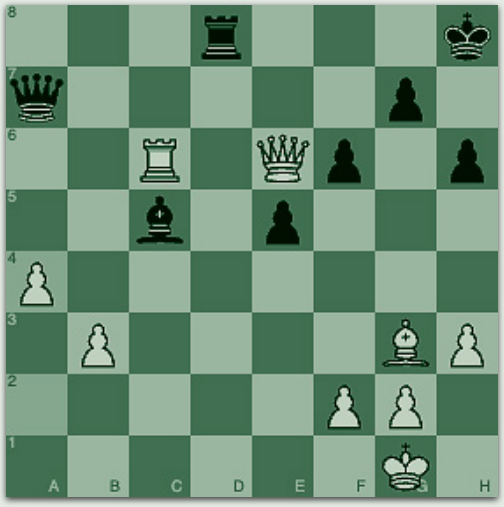
e6f5 _____ f7g8 _____ f8e8 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



d4d3 _____ d6e6 _____

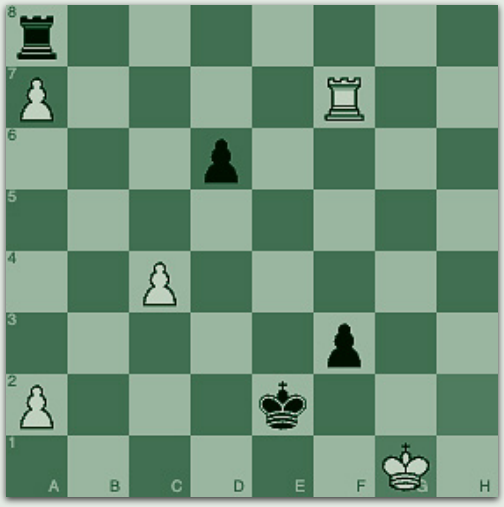
Puzzle #6: (Black to move)



a2a4 _____ g3f2 _____ g1h2 _____

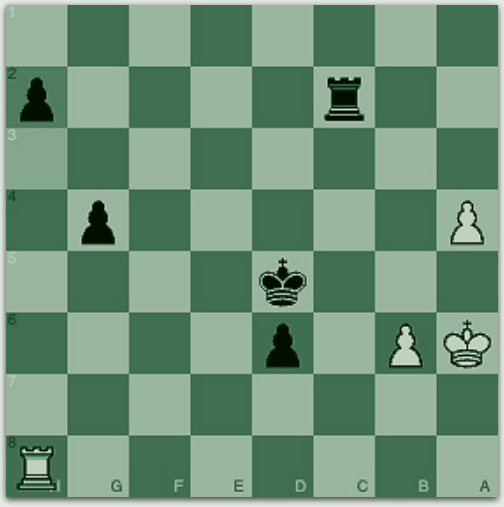
Deflection

Puzzle #7: (Black to move)



h2g1 _____ f7a7 _____ g1h2 _____

Puzzle #8: (White to move)



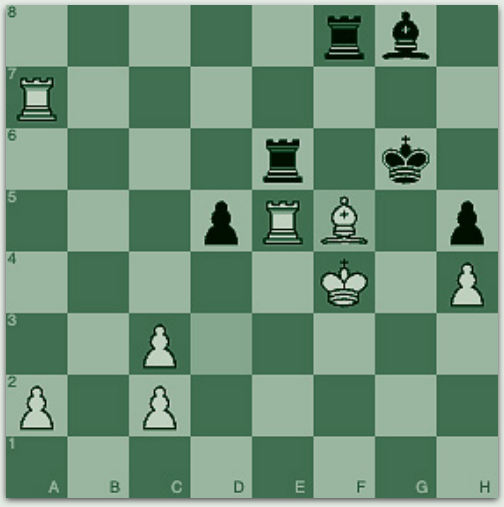
h3h2 _____ c2b2 _____ b2h2 _____

Puzzle #9: (White to move)



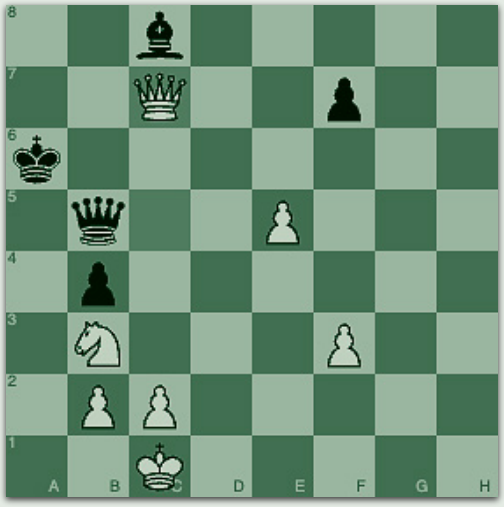
d5d4 _____ g8g7 _____ g7h8 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)



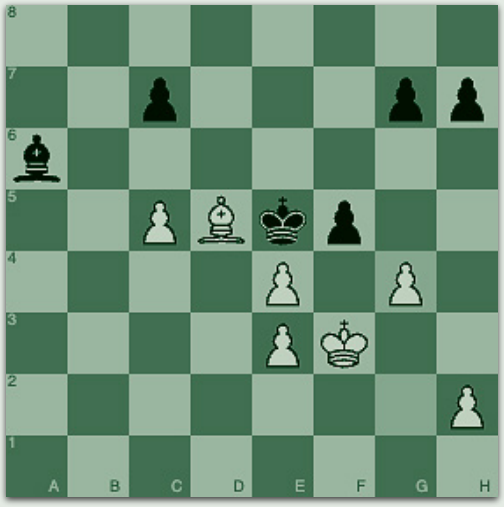
d3f5 _____ e5f5 _____ f4f3 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



c5c7 _____ c1d2 _____ d2d3 _____ d3c4 _____ c4b4 _____

Puzzle #12: (Black to move)



g2g4 _____ d5e4 _____ f3f2 _____

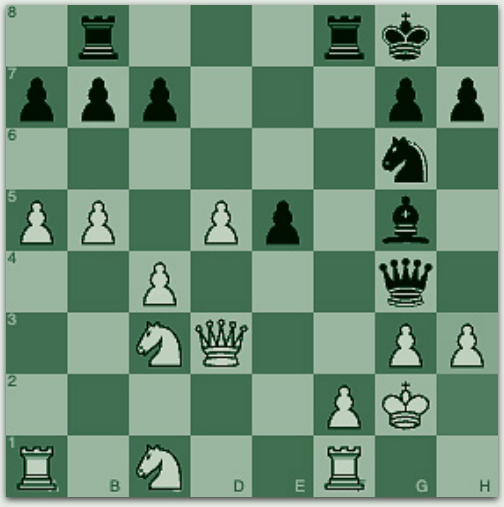
Deflection

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



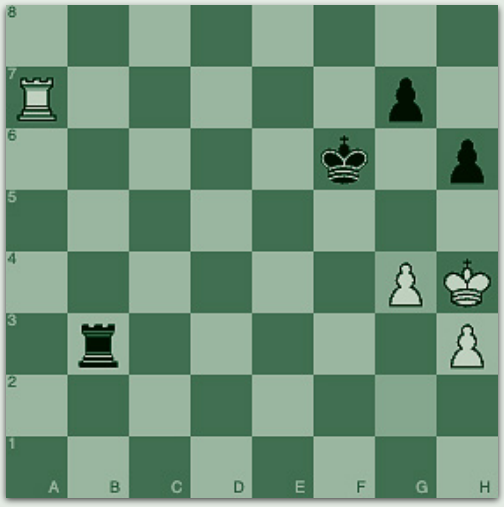
e3f2 _____ g8f8 _____ f8e7 _____

Puzzle #14: (Black to move)



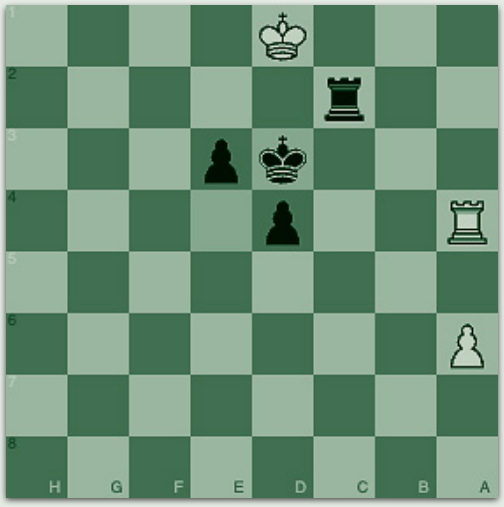
h2h3 _____ g2g1 _____

Puzzle #15: (Black to move)



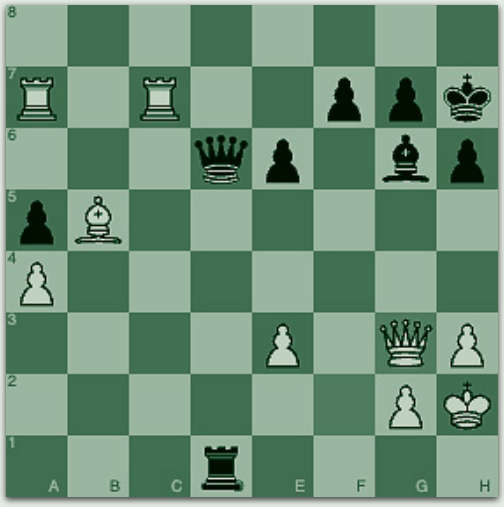
g2g4 _____ h4h5 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



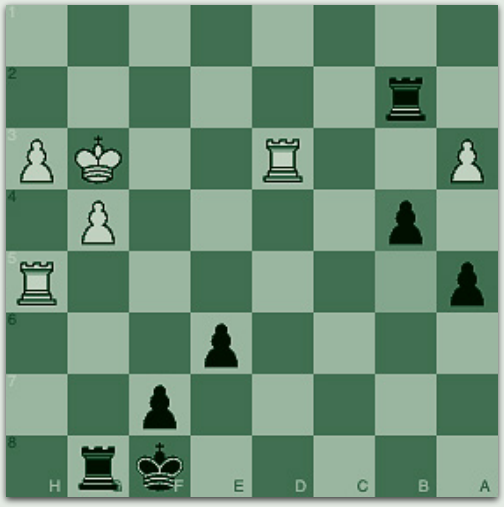
e4d3 _____ d3c3 _____ c3c4 _____ e3e2 _____

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



f2g3 _____ h2h1 _____

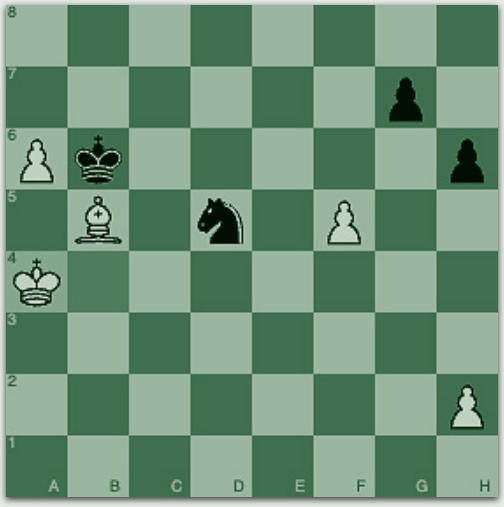
Puzzle #18: (White to move)



b5b4 _____ f8e7 _____

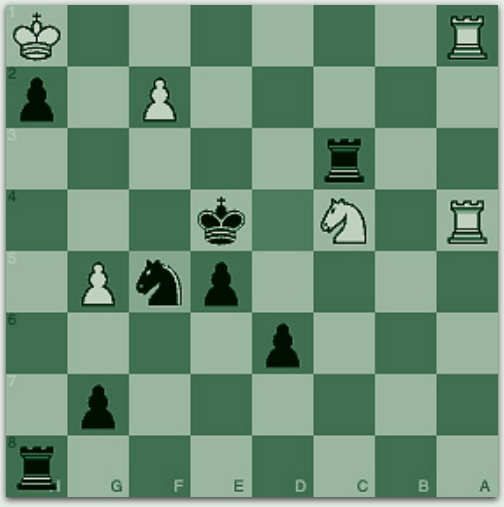
Deflection

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



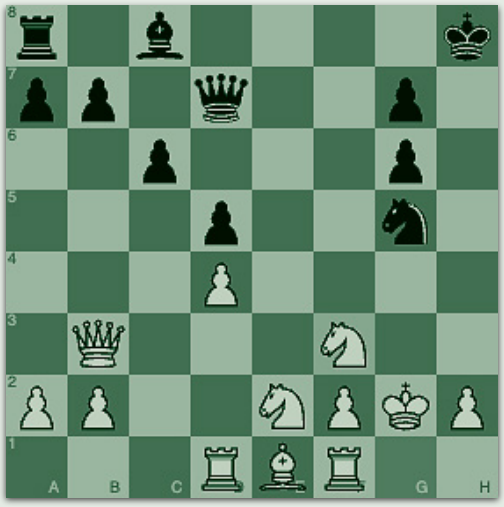
b4a4 _____ a4b3 _____ b3c4 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



d4f5 _____ e4f3 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



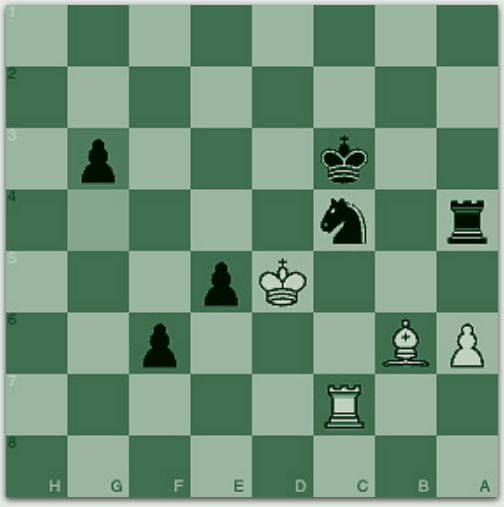
g1f3 _____ g2g1 _____ b3f3 _____

Puzzle #22: (Black to move)



h2g2 _____ g1g2 _____ d2e3 _____

Puzzle #23: (White to move)



g4g3 _____ c3b3 _____ a4c4 _____

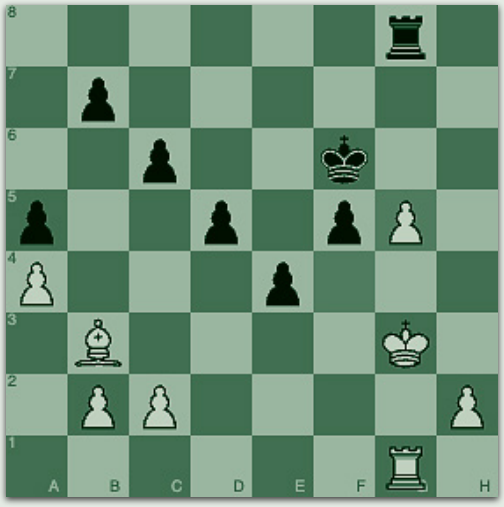
Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



g1f1 _____ f1e2 _____

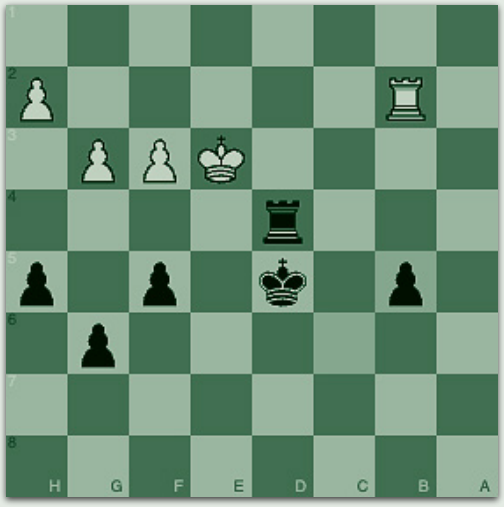
Deflection

Puzzle #25: (Black to move)



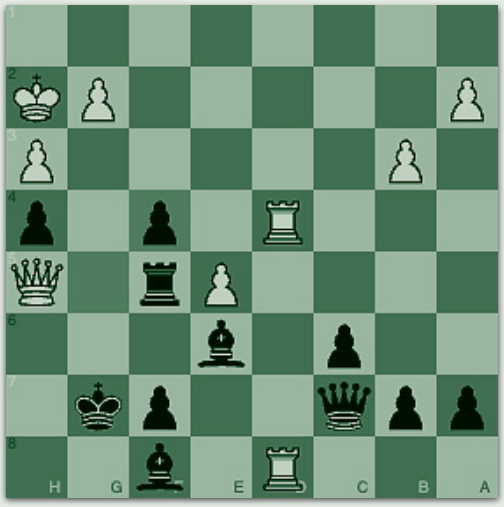
f4g5 _____ g3f2 _____ f2e3 _____

Puzzle #26: (White to move)



c6b5 _____ d5c4 _____ c4b4 _____

Puzzle #27: (White to move)



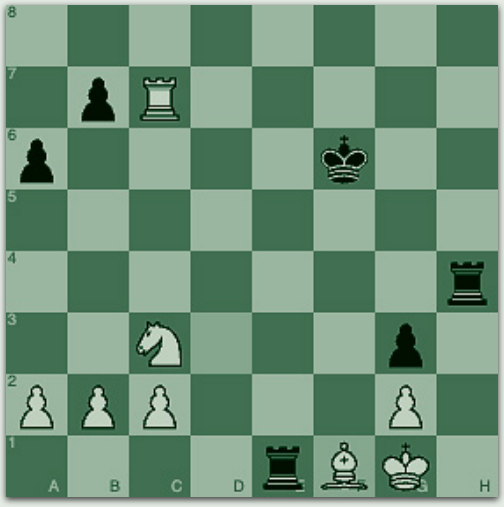
g5f4 _____ g7h7 _____

Puzzle #28: (White to move)



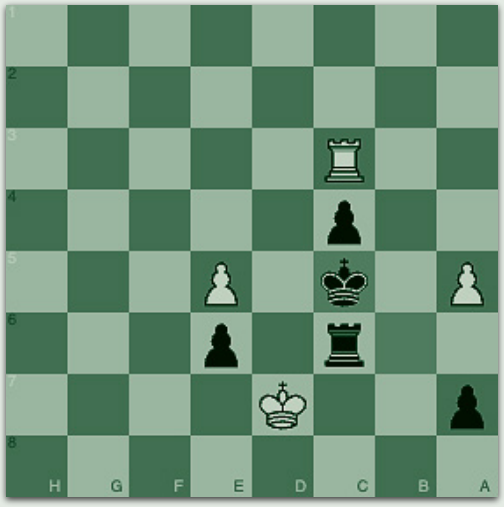
c8d7 _____ g8h8 _____

Puzzle #29: (Black to move)



d3f1 _____ g1h1 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



b6c5 _____ c5c4 _____

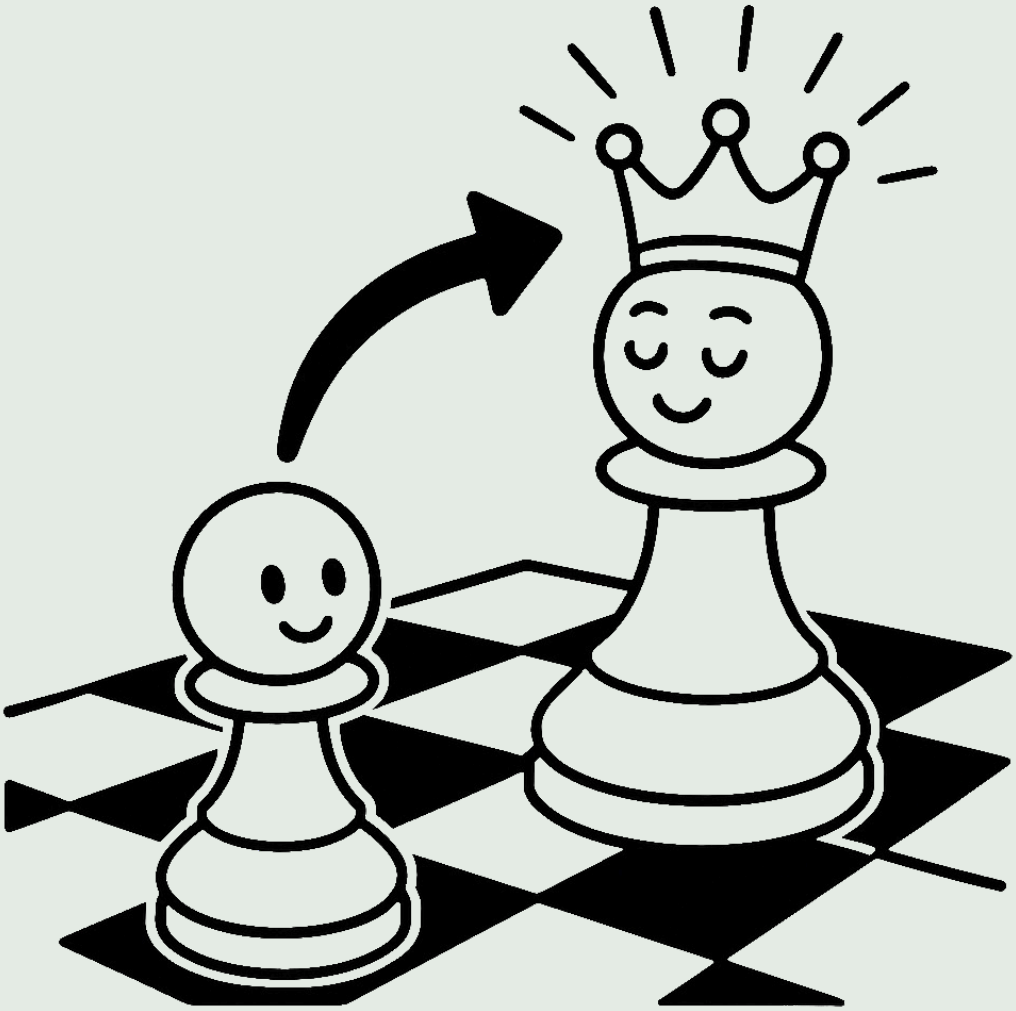
Pawn Promotion

Pawns may start small — but they don't stay that way. Promotion happens when a pawn reaches the last rank and turns into a new piece, usually a queen.

One pawn can change the entire game.

Step 1: Spot a pawn that can safely move forward.
Step 2: Help it reach the last rank.
Step 3: Choose the piece that wins you the game.

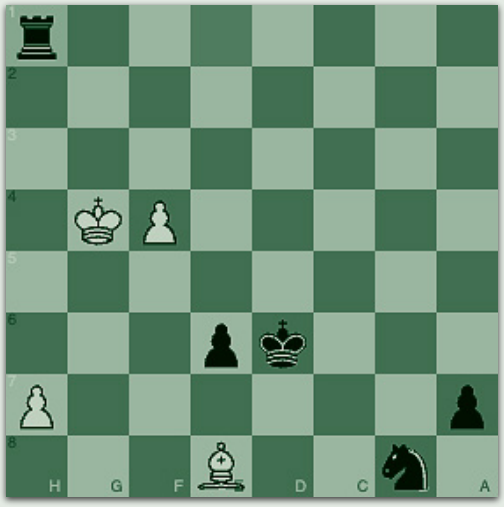
Never underestimate a pawn.



Promotion

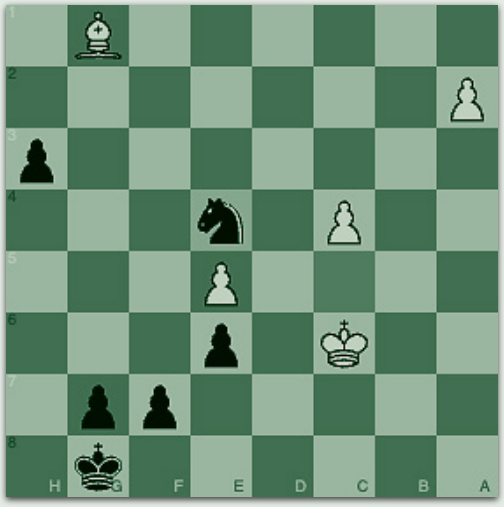
Total puzzles: 30

Puzzle #1: (White to move)



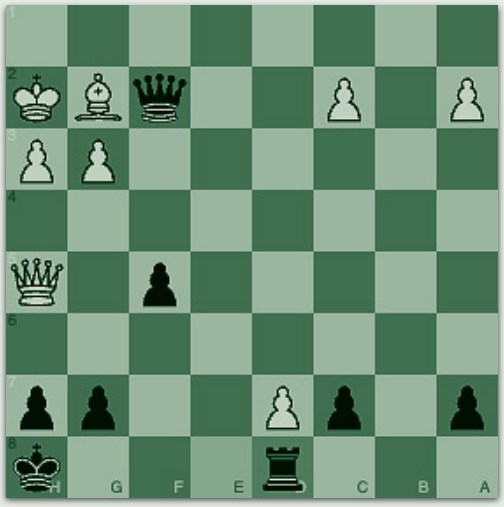
e1h1 _____ b8c6 _____

Puzzle #2: (White to move)



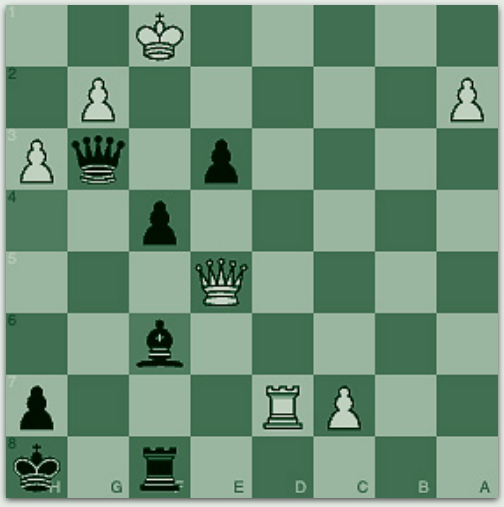
c5e4 _____ g7g5 _____ g8g7 _____ g5g4 _____

Puzzle #3: (White to move)



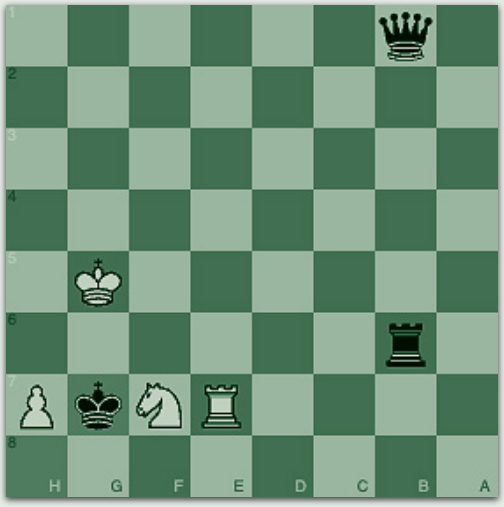
e8d8 _____ d8e8 _____

Puzzle #4: (White to move)



h4f6 _____ f8f6 _____ g3g8 _____ g8d8 _____

Puzzle #5: (White to move)



h8g7 _____

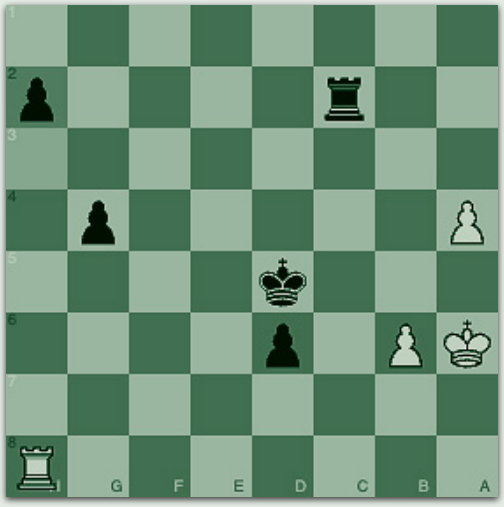
Puzzle #6: (White to move)



c8h3 _____ h4f4 _____ h8g7 _____ c6e7 _____

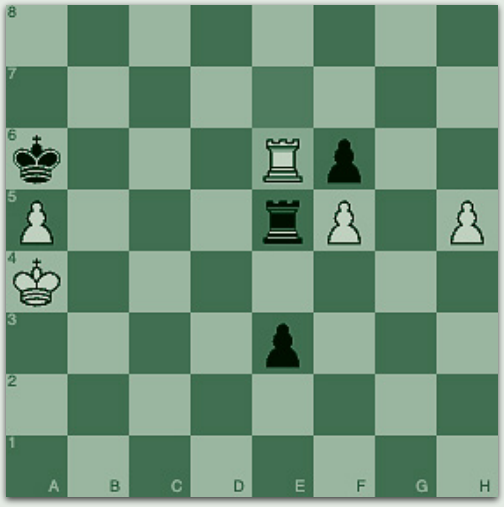
Promotion

Puzzle #7: (White to move)



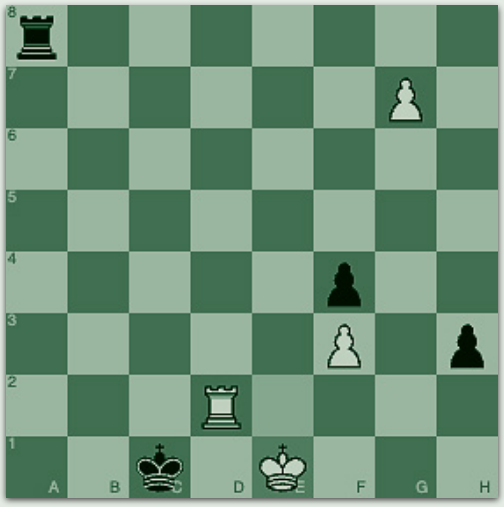
h3h2 _____ c2b2 _____ b2h2 _____

Puzzle #8: (Black to move)



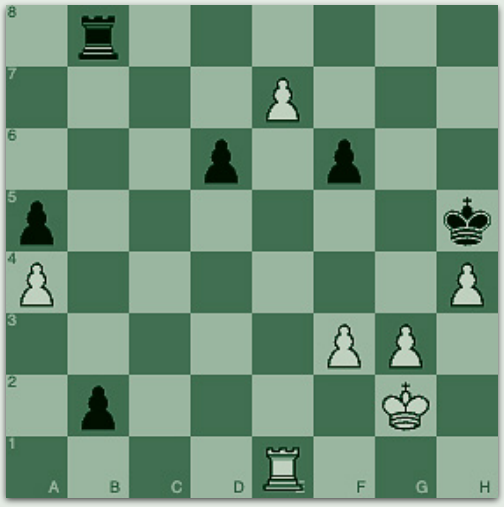
e7e6 _____ f5e6 _____ h5h6 _____

Puzzle #9: (Black to move)



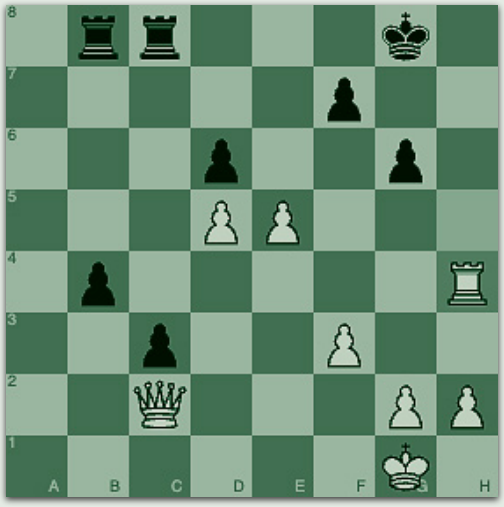
e2e1 _____ d2e2 _____ e2e8 _____

Puzzle #10: (Black to move)

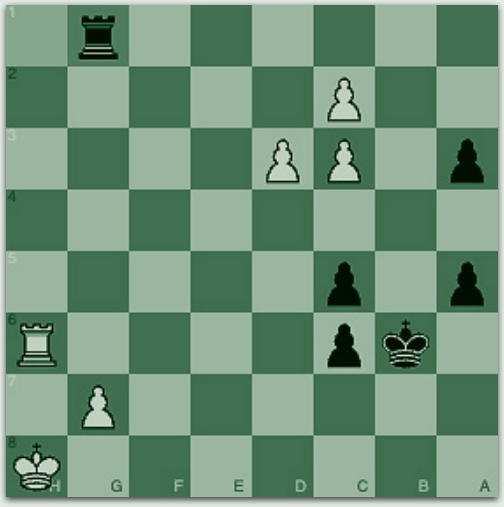


e7e8q _____ e1e8 _____ e8h8 _____

Puzzle #11: (Black to move)



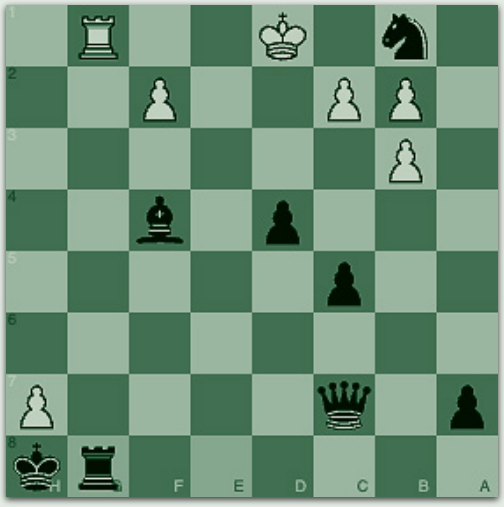
Puzzle #12: (White to move)



h5h4 _____ c2c1 _____ c1h6 _____ g1f2 _____ f2g3 _____ g3h3 _____h1g1 _____ g1g8 _____ a3a2 _____

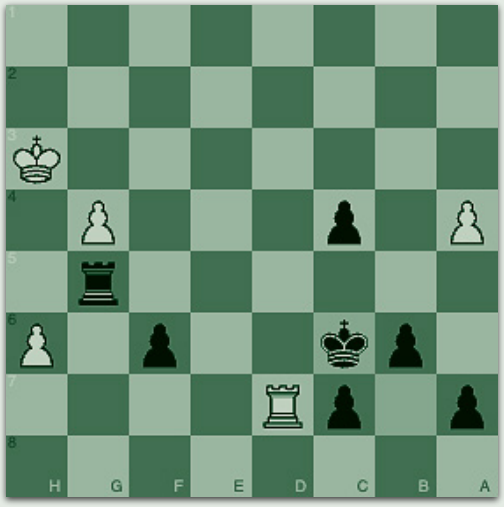
Promotion

Puzzle #13: (White to move)



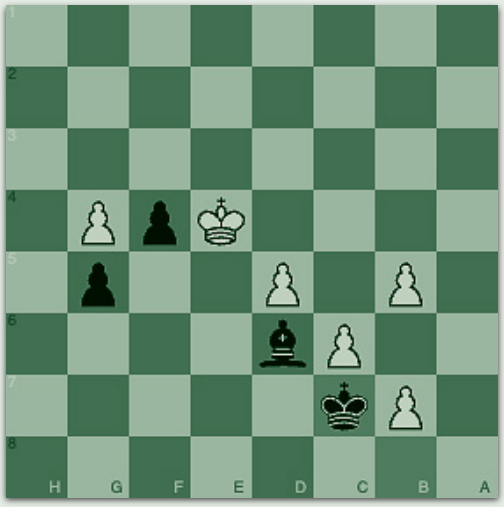
e8g8 _____

Puzzle #14: (White to move)



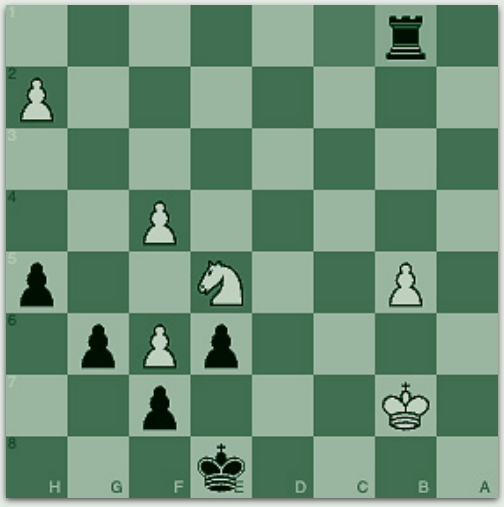
b7c6 _____ c6d7 _____

Puzzle #15: (White to move)



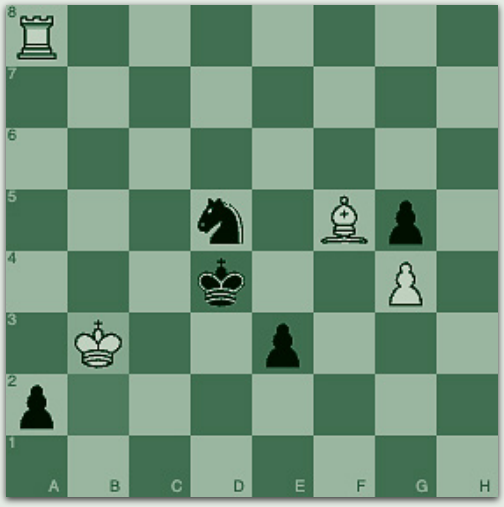
b8c7 _____ f4f3 _____ f3f2 _____ c7b8 _____ f2f1q _____ b8b7 _____

Puzzle #16: (White to move)



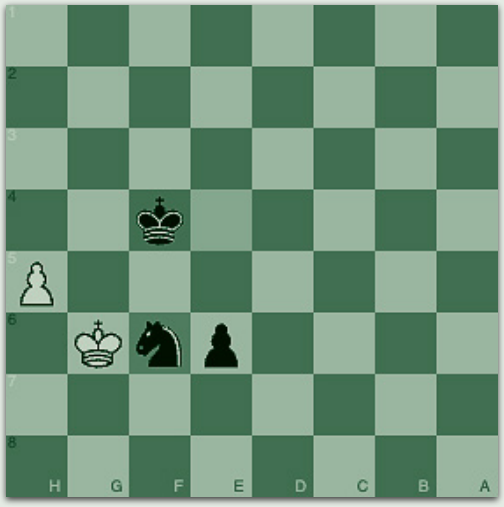
_____c1b1 _____ b1h1 _____ h1h2 _____ h2c

Puzzle #17: (Black to move)



b2b3 _____ a8a2 _____

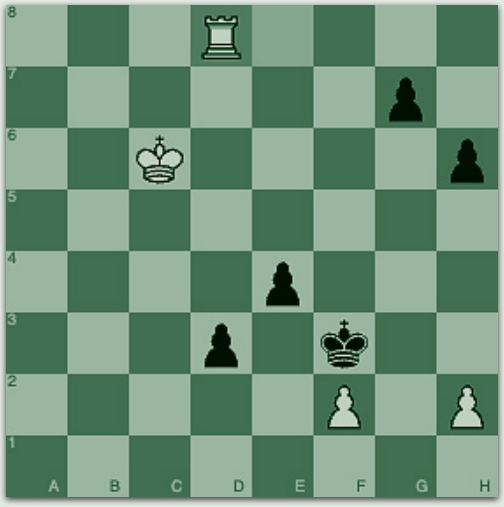
Puzzle #18: (White to move)



e4f6 _____ e6e5 _____ e5e4 _____ e4e3 _____

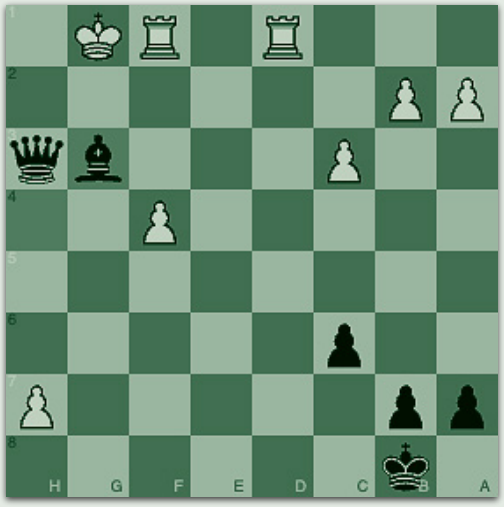
Promotion

Puzzle #19: (Black to move)



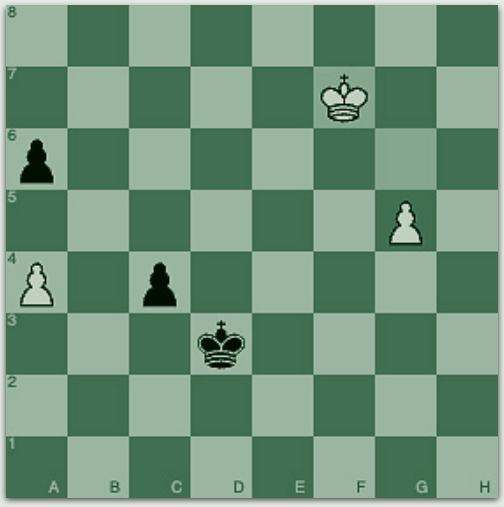
e8d8 _____ c6c5 _____ d8d3 _____ d3d7 _____

Puzzle #20: (White to move)



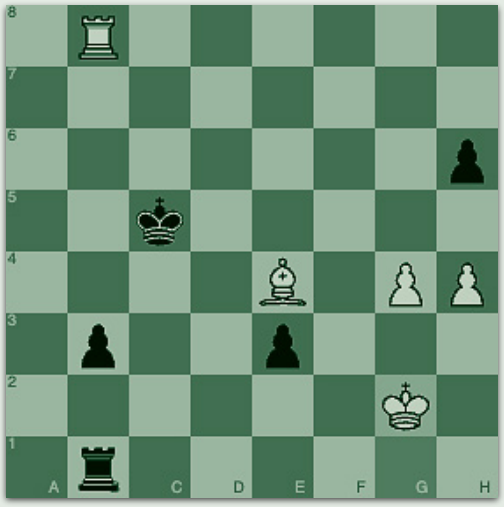
h4g3 _____ b8c7 _____ g3h2 _____

Puzzle #21: (Black to move)



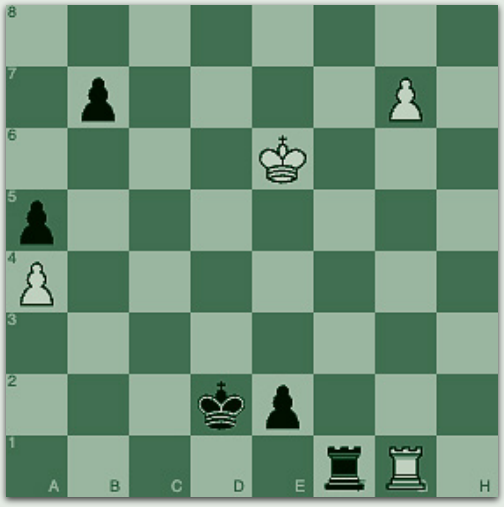
g6f7 _____ g5g6 _____ g6g7 _____

Puzzle #22: (Black to move)



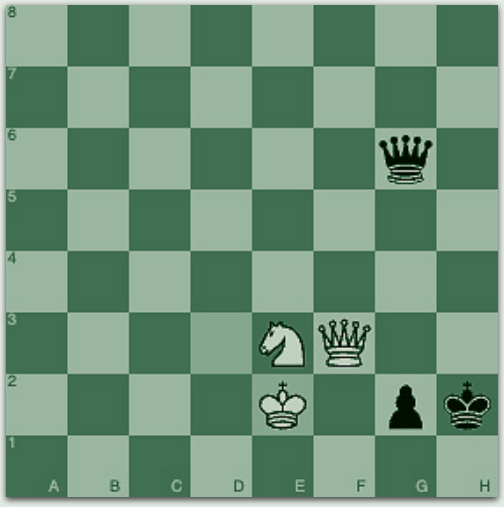
g1g2 _____ e4b1 _____

Puzzle #23: (Black to move)



g7g8q _____ e6d6 _____

Puzzle #24: (Black to move)



d3e2 _____ e2f2 _____

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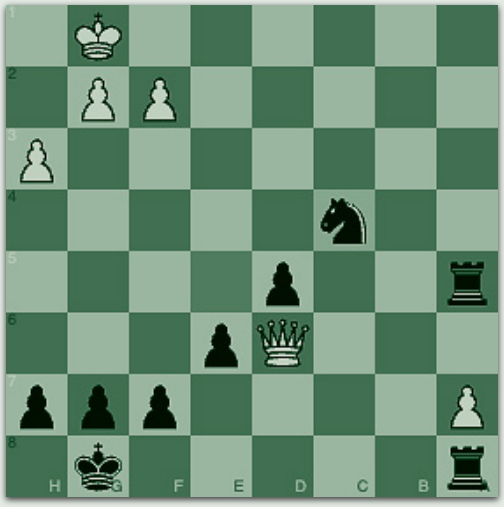
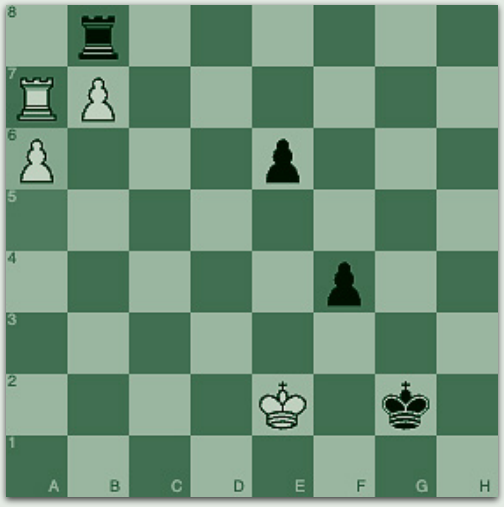
Puzzle #25: (White to move)



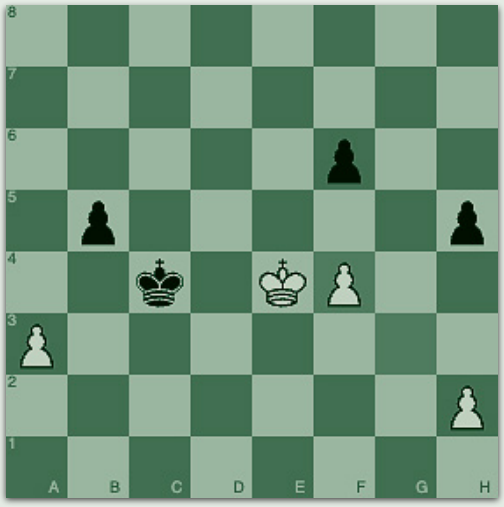
e5c4 _____ a8b8 _____

Puzzle #26: (Black to move)

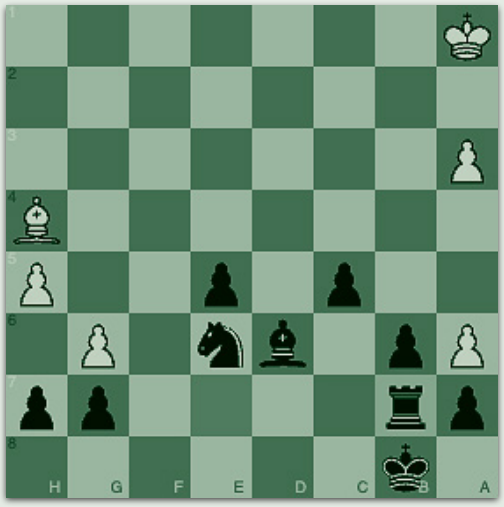


a5a6 _____ e2e3 _____ a7a8 _____

Puzzle #27: (Black to move)

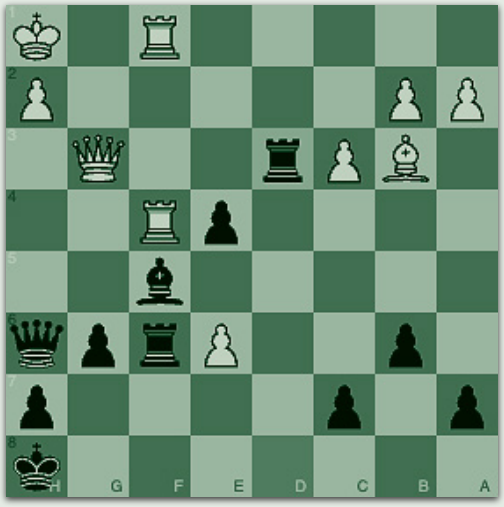


Puzzle #28: (White to move)



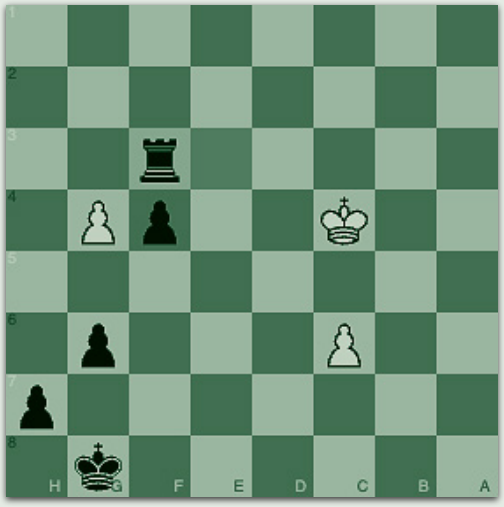
g3f4 _____ e4f5 _____ f5f6 _____ f6e7 _____ f4f5 _____ f5f6 _____e7b7 _____ b7c7 _____ c7c8 _____

Puzzle #29: (White to move)



d8d3 _____ d3g3 _____ f6f8 _____

Puzzle #30: (White to move)



e3f3 _____ f3e3 _____

Checkmate in 1 Move - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. h6g7 d4g7

Puzzle #2: 1. f7h8 f6f2

Puzzle #3: 1. d5b4 e1e8

Puzzle #4: 1. d1d6 a4c2

Puzzle #5: 1. g3g4 d3h3

Puzzle #6: 1. e5f7 d6f8

Puzzle #7: 1. g7g6 h5h7

Puzzle #8: 1. c5c4 d3h7

Puzzle #9: 1. c1c3 d4d1

Puzzle #10: 1. e2f3 h5h2

Puzzle #11: 1. a8d8 d3h7

Puzzle #12: 1. f3f5 h6g7

Puzzle #13: 1. c2c1q b8d6

Puzzle #14: 1. h5e5 c2g2

Puzzle #15: 1. c3d3 h3h8

Puzzle #16: 1. f5d3 f3f7

Puzzle #17: 1. d2f3 h4h1

Puzzle #18: 1. g1f1 e2e1

Puzzle #19: 1. a6d3 e4e8

Puzzle #20: 1. b1c1 d2c1

Puzzle #21: 1. a2b3 g7d7

Puzzle #22: 1. c4b2 d3h7

Puzzle #23: 1. g2g3 b4b1

Puzzle #24: 1. e5c6 c8g4

Puzzle #25: 1. e7d7 h3d7

Puzzle #26: 1. d1d2 b3b1

Puzzle #27: 1. c6b6 a1h1

Puzzle #28: 1. f8h6 h4h6

Puzzle #29: 1. f2e3 d3f2

Puzzle #30: 1. c8h3 d2h6

Checkmate in 2 Moves - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. g4d1 c4f7 2. e8e7 c3d5

Puzzle #2: 1. e3d4 f6f3 2. g2f1 f3h1

Puzzle #3: 1. g1g2 d7h3 2. g2g1 h3h2

Puzzle #4: 1. e3g3 c6h1 2. g3h2 h1h2

Puzzle #5: 1. c6g6 d4c4 2. c2b1 d8d1

Puzzle #6: 1. g3e5 a3d3 2. d2c1 d3c2

Puzzle #7: 1. a8f8 f1f8 2. g7g8 f8g8

Puzzle #8: 1. d8g8 g7g8 2. h8g8 e7e8

Puzzle #9: 1. f2a2 c1c8 2. g8g7 f1f8

Puzzle #10: 1. f2g2 f7f2 2. g2h3 f2h2

Puzzle #11: 1. e8e5 b3b8 2. e5e8 b8e8

Puzzle #12: 1. h8g7 h5h7 2. g7f8 h7h8

Puzzle #13: 1. a6e6 f3f8 2. e8f8 e7f8q

Puzzle #14: 1. g8h7 f4h4 2. h7g8 h4h8

Puzzle #15: 1. e8a4 c2c1 2. a4d1 c1d1

Puzzle #16: 1. f4g5 h6g5 2. h4g4 h8h4

Puzzle #17: 1. f2h2 f7e6 2. c8b8 d1d8

Puzzle #18: 1. d6d4 e4e1 2. d1e1 e8e1

Puzzle #19: 1. e2f3 e6e1 2. a1e1 e8e1

Puzzle #20: 1. h3e3 c6c2 2. b1a1 c2b2

Puzzle #21: 1. d1d4 b5f1 2. d4d1 f1d1

Puzzle #22: 1. d6c7 h4g5 2. g1h1 g5g2

Puzzle #23: 1. c6f3 d7g7 2. h8g7 a7g7

Puzzle #24: 1. e3d4 e4h4 2. g3h4 f2g2

Puzzle #25: 1. d5b6 b5a6 2. c8b8 a6b7

Puzzle #26: 1. h7g6 h1h8 2. g8f7 e6g5

Puzzle #27: 1. g7g5 f3c6 2. b7c6 c4a6

Puzzle #28: 1. c6d5 b4b5 2. a7a6 c3c4

Puzzle #29: 1. d6d5 c4c6 2. c8b8 c6b7

Puzzle #30: 1. g7h6 g5g8 2. f8g8 g4g8

Checkmate in 3 Moves - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. c8e8 a2f2 2. g7f6 f2f6 3. f8g8 e6e8

Puzzle #2: 1. f6g5 h5f7 2. g8h8 f7f8 3. c8f8 f1f8

Puzzle #3: 1. c8c1 e5b8 2. c1c8 b8c8 3. a4e8 c8e8

Puzzle #4: 1. e7d8 e4c3 2. a2a1 h2h1 3. b3c1 h1c1

Puzzle #5: 1. h5h4 d2e1 2. h2g3 f5g5 3. h4h3 g5g3

Puzzle #6: 1. a5c4 a7f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. a1f1 f8f1

Puzzle #7: 1. a7b7 d3h3 2. g2h3 h4h3 3. f2h2 h3f1

Puzzle #8: 1. e8g8 c3g7 2. g8g7 f7f8 3. g7g8 f8g8

Puzzle #9: 1. e5e4 f7f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. a1f1 f8f1

Puzzle #10: 1. d1e2 f2f7 2. f8f7 f1f7 3. g7h8 f7h7

Puzzle #11: 1. c7b6 d5g2 2. g1g2 b2b1 3. g2g1 b1g1

Puzzle #12: 1. d2f4 f6a1 2. f4c1 a1c1 3. e4e1 c1e1

Puzzle #13: 1. e8e2 c6c8 2. d4d8 c8d8 3. e2e8 d8e8

Puzzle #14: 1. g1f1 e6e2 2. f1g1 e2e1 3. b1e1 e8e1

Puzzle #15: 1. e5d5 f5g3 2. h1h2 h5h3 3. g2h3 c5f2

Puzzle #16: 1. a1d1 f2h2 2. h1h2 b6f2 3. h2h3 f2g3

Puzzle #17: 1. g3f5 b4a4 2. a3a4 b7b5 3. a4a5 d8a8

Puzzle #18: 1. h1g1 f2h3 2. g1h1 b6g1 3. f1g1 h3f2

Puzzle #19: 1. d3d5 b2a2 2. a1a2 c7c2 3. a2a1 c2b2

Puzzle #20: 1. g1f3 c8a6 2. c3b5 a6b5 3. c2c4 b5c4

Puzzle #21: 1. f6f5 g4g3 2. h2g3 g7g3 3. g1f1 h7h1

Puzzle #22: 1. g5e7 f7f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. e2g1 g4f2

Puzzle #23: 1. a8f8 h4h3 2. f8b8 a2a1 3. b8b1 a1b1

Puzzle #24: 1. d6c7 b1b7 2. b8b7 g6c6 3. c7b8 c6b7

Puzzle #25: 1. g7h6 e6g6 2. h7h8 g6h6 3. f7h7 h6f8

Puzzle #26: 1. d3f5 e3e8 2. d8e8 e1e8 3. g8g7 h5h6

Puzzle #27: 1. e1b1 b6b1 2. a2b1 b8b1 3. d2c1 b1c1

Puzzle #28: 1. c8b8 d2d6 2. b8a8 d6d8 3. g8d8 d1d8

Puzzle #29: 1. f7e7 d3d1 2. f3d1 d8d1 3. e7e1 d1e1

Puzzle #30: 1. f8f7 h4h7 2. h8h7 g4h4 3. g7h5 h4h5

Back Rank Mate - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. d4b6 c8c1 2. d3d1 c1d1

Puzzle #2: 1. a4b6 f6f2 2. g1h1 f2e1

Puzzle #3: 1. h5f3 e2e8 2. a8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #4: 1. c3d5 b2h8

Puzzle #5: 1. e3f2 c6c8 2. b8c8 b7c8q

Puzzle #6: 1. b8b7 e1e8

Puzzle #7: 1. b1e1 d2e1q

Puzzle #8: 1. d6d5 a5d8 2. d5d8 d1d8

Puzzle #9: 1. c8c5 a1a8 2. c5c8 a8c8

Puzzle #10: 1. c1e1 e2e1 2. a1e1 e8e1

Puzzle #11: 1. f3f5 d2d1 2. a1d1 d8d1

Puzzle #12: 1. c4f7 d6d1 2. c1d1 d8d1

Puzzle #13: 1. f3h4 d7d1 2. c2e1 d1e1

Puzzle #14: 1. f1f6 d8d1 2. f6f1 f8f1

Puzzle #15: 1. d6d5 f4f7 2. g8h8 f7f8 3. c8f8 f2f8

Puzzle #16: 1. d8d4 b1b8 2. d4d8 b8d8

Puzzle #17: 1. f8g8 c7c8 2. a8c8 c5c8

Puzzle #18: 1. b1b2 c3c1

Puzzle #19: 1. f3d4 c2f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. e1f1 f8f1

Puzzle #20: 1. c4c7 f4e2 2. g1h1 f8f1

Puzzle #21: 1. d7f6 d8d1 2. c4f1 f4e2 3. g1h1 d1f1

Puzzle #22: 1. d6d5 e2e7 2. f8g8 e7e8 3. d8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #23: 1. e6d5 e3e8 2. c8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #24: 1. b7a7 f6f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. e1f1 f8f1

Puzzle #25: 1. g3c7 h6e3 2. g1h1 e2e1 3. d1e1 e3e1

Puzzle #26: 1. e7f6 e2e8 2. d8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #27: 1. g6e4 d1d8 2. f6e8 d8e8

Puzzle #28: 1. h3h4 d1d8

Puzzle #29: 1. e5g7 d5d1 2. e2e1 d1e1

Puzzle #30: 1. d3e4 f8f1

Capturing the defender - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. h7h6 g5f6 2. e7f6 d3d7

Puzzle #2: 1. h5g6 f8h6 2. g5h6 h7g6

Puzzle #3: 1. d1b3 b4b3 2. c4b3 a2a3

Puzzle #4: 1. f6e5 c1c6 2. d6c6 f4e5

Puzzle #5: 1. f6g4 d3d5 2. g4f2 f1f2 3. h3e6 d5e4

Puzzle #6: 1. a6a5 e4c6 2. d6c6 b4a5

Puzzle #7: 1. b7b6 d1d7 2. d8d7 e4c6

Puzzle #8: 1. f5g4 g7f6 2. e7f6 g3g4

Puzzle #9: 1. a1e1 g7g5 2. e1e8 g5h4 3. e8a8 a6c4

Puzzle #10: 1. f3d5 b7d5 2. d2d5 e7e6

Puzzle #11: 1. d2b3 d5d1 2. f1d1 a6e2

Puzzle #12: 1. g5h4 d5c3 2. h5c5 d8d1 3. c5g1 d1g1

Puzzle #13: 1. e4d6 e8e6 2. d5e6 d8d6 3. c4g4 h5g4

Puzzle #14: 1. f1b5 e5c3 2. b2c3 d7b5

Puzzle #15: 1. e1e7 b7d5 2. f3d5 g5e7 3. d5a8 c8d7 4. a8a7 d7e8

Puzzle #16: 1. a1a5 b3c3 2. c2c3 a8a5

Puzzle #17: 1. e8e6 e1e6 2. f7e6 c2g6

Puzzle #18: 1. e2d4 f5f2 2. g1h1 e4c3 3. d1f3 f2d4

Puzzle #19: 1. g5e6 d4e6 2. d7e6 e3c5

Puzzle #20: 1. f3e4 a6b6 2. c5b6 b4a4

Puzzle #21: 1. e3d4 c6d4 2. e2e3 b2c3

Puzzle #22: 1. b6d5 a5c7 2. d5c7 e4b7

Puzzle #23: 1. b2c3 e4c5 2. d3d4 h4d4 3. c3d4 c5a4

Puzzle #24: 1. e5c7 f6e8 2. c7a5 g7c3 3. a5c3 d2e2

Puzzle #25: 1. d2e4 h5f3 2. g2f3 c6e5

Puzzle #26: 1. e6c4 g5c5 2. b6c5 b3c4

Puzzle #27: 1. a4a5 e5e4 2. f3e4 e8e4 3. a5b6 e4d4 4. d2d4 a7b6

Puzzle #28: 1. d7c5 f5e7 2. c7e7 e6e7 3. f7e7 b3c5

Puzzle #29: 1. f3e3 g5e3 2. f2e3 c6e4

Puzzle #30: 1. h2h3 b4d2 2. f3d2 g4e2

Fork - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. e1e4 h5f7 2. e8d8 f7d7

Puzzle #2: 1. a8a7 f5f6 2. e7f6 f1f6 3. e6f6 g6f6

Puzzle #3: 1. b1c3 d8b6 2. g1h1 b6b2 3. a1b1 b2a3

Puzzle #4: 1. e8d8 h6f6 2. d8c8 f6f7

Puzzle #5: 1. g5g6 c4f7 2. e8d7 f7g6

Puzzle #6: 1. e7g7 f4e5 2. b2b1 e5g7

Puzzle #7: 1. f1g2 d5f4 2. e6d6 f4g2

Puzzle #8: 1. h7g6 c4d3 2. c2d3 e2f4 3. g6f5 f4d3

Puzzle #9: 1. f8e7 d2d7 2. e7f6 d7c8

Puzzle #10: 1. e7c6 b4c6 2. d4c6 b7c6

Puzzle #11: 1. e3d3 g4d7 2. a8b8 d7e7

Puzzle #12: 1. g6f7 d3c4 2. f7f8 c4b3

Puzzle #13: 1. g7f6 e3g4 2. f6e7 g4f2

Puzzle #14: 1. e1g1 d4e2 2. g1h1 e2g3

Puzzle #15: 1. d3e4 d4e2 2. g1g2 e2g3

Puzzle #16: 1. c7c6 d5c7 2. e8f8 c7a8

Puzzle #17: 1. e3c5 e7c5 2. g1h1 g4f2 3. e1f2 c5f2

Puzzle #18: 1. c4c3 f4e2 2. g1h1 e2c3

Puzzle #19: 1. g5f6 f3h5 2. f6d4 f1f8 3. h8g7 f8f7 4. g7g8 c3d4

Puzzle #20: 1. f3c6 h4f2 2. g1h1 f2e3

Puzzle #21: 1. g7f8 b2b4 2. f8e8 b4c4

Puzzle #22: 1. e3d2 e5c4 2. d6d5 c4d2

Puzzle #23: 1. d7f6 c1c8 2. a8c8 e2e6 3. g8h8 e6c8

Puzzle #24: 1. e1e3 h2h4 2. g2g3 h4h2 3. f2e1 d8d1 4. e1d1 h2b2

Puzzle #25: 1. d6e5 f3e5 2. g7g6 e5g6 3. f8g7 g6h8

Puzzle #26: 1. e5e4 f7f5 2. c8c7 f5e4

Puzzle #27: 1. h8a8 c4b6 2. d7c7 b6a8

Puzzle #28: 1. c7b5 b4c6 2. e7f8 c6b8

Puzzle #29: 1. c3e4 f5e4 2. d3e2 e4f3

Puzzle #30: 1. f4g3 g6h6 2. h8g8 e1e6 3. c7g7 e6g6 4. g3f2 g1f1

Pin - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. d1e2 c8a6 2. e2d2 a6b5

Puzzle #2: 1. a2a4 h7h3 2. h1g1 d5d4

Puzzle #3: 1. f3c3 f8b4 2. e1g1 b4c3

Puzzle #4: 1. c5d7 h5h7

Puzzle #5: 1. c8d8 d3c4 2. g8f8 c4d5

Puzzle #6: 1. f7f5 e5f6 2. e7d7 b3e6

Puzzle #7: 1. f6f8 d3d2 2. e1d1 c3c1 3. g1h2 c1d1

Puzzle #8: 1. d2d3 d8d3 2. d1d3 e3c1 3. a1a2 c1c4 4. d3b3 e8b8

Puzzle #9: 1. c4d5 a4a5 2. b5a5 b6a5

Puzzle #10: 1. g2f2 f1h3 2. f3e2 b3e3 3. g5e3 f7e7

Puzzle #11: 1. f6g7 e5e6 2. c8e6 e2e6 3. f7e6 h5g6 4. d8f6 a1e1 5. e6d7 g6g4

Puzzle #12: 1. b5b8 d4e4 2. e1d1 d3c2

Puzzle #13: 1. c7d7 e4c5 2. d7e8 c5e6 3. e8e6 f6e6

Puzzle #14: 1. g1g2 f6d4 2. h1f1 g6e5 3. f3d5 d4f2 4. f1f2 e2f2 5. g2f2 e5d3

Puzzle #15: 1. e1e5 g5f3 2. g1h1 f3e5

Puzzle #16: 1. a4a2 d2d7 2. a2a1 c1d2

Puzzle #17: 1. g7g5 h4g5 2. f4g5 e4g2

Puzzle #18: 1. f6e5 a3e7 2. e8b8 e7d7

Puzzle #19: 1. e1d2 c1g1 2. f6g4 f5h5

Puzzle #20: 1. g6f6 f4f6 2. c6f6 f1f6

Puzzle #21: 1. c1e3 g4e3 2. c4e3 d4b2

Puzzle #22: 1. d5c3 e4g4 2. e7g5 h6g5

Puzzle #23: 1. e2e7 d7h3 2. h1g1 h3g2

Puzzle #24: 1. f6g7 h8e8 2. e1g1 e8e4

Puzzle #25: 1. a8a7 b3b6 2. c7b6 a5b6 3. a7a8 a1a6

Puzzle #26: 1. f8f7 d1d8

Puzzle #27: 1. g7e5 g5e7 2. e5g7 f1f8

Puzzle #28: 1. b4b3 d3h7 2. g8f7 h3h6 3. f7e8 h7g6 4. f8f7 h6h8 5. e8d7 h8d8

Puzzle #29: 1. d8d7 c4b5 2. c6b5 b8b5

Puzzle #30: 1. f3g4 d8g5

Skewers - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. b4b3 d3h7 2. g8f7 h3h6 3. f7e8 h7g6 4. f8f7 h6h8 5. e8d7 h8d8

Puzzle #2: 1. f5e5 d7g7 2. e5f5 g7d4

Puzzle #3: 1. b4b3 d3h7 2. g8f8 h7h8 3. f8e7 h8a8

Puzzle #4: 1. b3b6 c5b6 2. a4a3 b6b7 3. a3a2 b7b8q 4. a2a1q b8h8 5. f6e6 h8a1

Puzzle #5: 1. c2c1q h6c6 2. c4d5 c6c1

Puzzle #6: 1. f5f6 g5g6 2. f6e5 g6c6

Puzzle #7: 1. e8e7 f1f7 2. e7d6 f8d8 3. d6e5 d8d4

Puzzle #8: 1. e2d2 h4d4 2. d2e2 d4d1

Puzzle #9: 1. g3f4 h3h4 2. f4g5 h4b4

Puzzle #10: 1. f3f4 a3g3 2. a1a2 g3g1 3. d1e2 g1g2 4. e2f3 g2a2

Puzzle #11: 1. f6g5 h4h8 2. g8f7 h3h7 3. f7e8 h7e7

Puzzle #12: 1. b8c7 a5b6 2. c7d7 a1a7 3. d7e8 a7g7 4. g3g7 b6b7 5. g7b7 g2h3

Puzzle #13: 1. h1h5 a6a5 2. c5c4 a5h5

Puzzle #14: 1. d8a5 g4g8 2. f8e7 g8e8 3. e7d7 e8e2

Puzzle #15: 1. f7f6 a7d4 2. f6f7 d4h8

Puzzle #16: 1. c3c4 g2c2 2. c4d5 c2c7

Puzzle #17: 1. a3a4 e2a2 2. a4b5 a2a5 3. b5c6 a5h5

Puzzle #18: 1. d7e7 f4f5 2. e6f5 d2g5 3. e7e8 g5d8

Puzzle #19: 1. c4b5 a8a1 2. c1d2 a1f1

Puzzle #20: 1. d3c3 b6d4 2. c3d3 d4a1

Puzzle #21: 1. h1e1 e7h4 2. g3h2 h4e1

Puzzle #22: 1. e3g3 g7d4 2. f2f1 d5c4 3. f1g2 e4e2 4. g2f3 e2e3 5. f3f4 e3g3

Puzzle #23: 1. f7f6 g3h4 2. f6g7 h4d8

Puzzle #24: 1. e7d7 d3b5 2. d7d6 b5e8 3. a8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #25: 1. f2e3 c2g2 2. g3f3 g2g5

Puzzle #26: 1. d4g1 b7g7 2. g4f5 g7g1

Puzzle #27: 1. d7d6 b8b6 2. d6e5 b6e6 3. e5d4 e6e2 4. h6g5 c1c6

Puzzle #28: 1. h7g6 h5g6 2. e8e7 c1g5 3. e7d6 g5d8

Puzzle #29: 1. d2f3 e5h5 2. f3h4 e3g3

Puzzle #30: 1. h7g8 h1h8 2. g8f7 h8h7 3. f7e8 h7e7

Discovered attacks - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. d3c2 c8d7 2. e8e7 a8d8

Puzzle #2: 1. c8c2 h7c2 2. h8g8 h5h8

Puzzle #3: 1. c1b1 d5c3 2. b2c3 c4e6

Puzzle #4: 1. f7f4 e4f4 2. e5f4 e1e6

Puzzle #5: 1. h3g4 h5g4 2. h1g1 b8h2 3. g1f2 h2f4 4. f2e1 f4c1

Puzzle #6: 1. d6d7 e5f3 2. d1f3 e6e1

Puzzle #7: 1. a4b5 e4f2 2. d1c2 c6b4 3. c3b4 a8d5

Puzzle #8: 1. e6d5 c2c4 2. b4c3 e2a2

Puzzle #9: 1. d8d6 d3h7 2. f6h7 d1d6

Puzzle #10: 1. b7d5 e5f3 2. g2f3 e7e1

Puzzle #11: 1. c3a4 d4f3 2. d1f3 b6e3 3. f3e3 b7b5

Puzzle #12: 1. e4f4 f6f4 2. h6f4 e5e1 3. f1e1 d6f4

Puzzle #13: 1. e1d1 d3f4 2. e3f4 d5d1

Puzzle #14: 1. e7b4 e4f6 2. g7f6 e1e8

Puzzle #15: 1. d3h7 d7f6 2. h7c2 d8d6

Puzzle #16: 1. g2b7 c7c5 2. d4f6 d7b7 3. f6d8 e8d8

Puzzle #17: 1. h7h5 d5d4 2. e3d4 a5h5

Puzzle #18: 1. e7e6 d5b6 2. c8b8 b3e6 3. d8d1 c1d1

Puzzle #19: 1. c5c4 e2c4 2. d5c4 e1e4

Puzzle #20: 1. b6c4 c3d5 2. b7d5 b2f6

Puzzle #21: 1. e5e6 a2a1 2. c1d2 d7e6 3. d2e2 e6c4 4. e2f2 d8d1

Puzzle #22: 1. c5c4 g5e6 2. h6h7 e6f8 3. h7g8 h3h2

Puzzle #23: 1. f8f2 d3h7 2. g8h7 d2d4

Puzzle #24: 1. a8c8 f3d4 2. e5d4 e2h5

Puzzle #25: 1. e2e3 d4c2 2. e3e2 d8d1 3. e2d1 c2e3 4. d1e2 e3c4

Puzzle #26: 1. d2c2 c3a1 2. c1d2 c8c2 3. h7c2 a1f1

Puzzle #27: 1. a1b1 e1d2 2. g8h6 h1b1

Puzzle #28: 1. f3e5 g8g2 2. g1h1 g2e2

Puzzle #29: 1. f8h7 f5h6 2. f6h6 g4d7

Puzzle #30: 1. f2e3 d4e3 2. g1h1 d8d2

X-Ray attacks - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. g5g4 f3g4 2. f5g4 d7g4

Puzzle #2: 1. f1f2 e3e1 2. f2f1 e1f1 3. f5f1 f8f1

Puzzle #3: 1. b8b1 c1b1 2. c2b1r d3b1

Puzzle #4: 1. e4d5 a5e1 2. e2e1 e5e1

Puzzle #5: 1. e1f2 e5d4 2. c5d4 b6d4 3. d2e3 d4f6

Puzzle #6: 1. c6d5 d4e6 2. d5e6 c4e6

Puzzle #7: 1. e5e8 b4f8 2. e8f8 d8f8

Puzzle #8: 1. a6b5 a3a8 2. c8d7 c4b5 3. c7c6 b5c6 4. b7c6 a8c6

Puzzle #9: 1. d6d7 b3d1 2. d7d1 d8d1

Puzzle #10: 1. a6b5 a3a8 2. c8d7 c4b5 3. c7c6 b5c6 4. b7c6 a8c6

Puzzle #11: 1. d7f7 b5f1 2. f7f1 f8f1

Puzzle #12: 1. c6c8 b8c8 2. c3c8 c1c8 3. f7f8 c8f8

Puzzle #13: 1. c7f7 e8f8 2. f7f8 f1f8

Puzzle #14: 1. d8d7 c7d7 2. d6d7 d4d7

Puzzle #15: 1. f1e2 b6g1 2. e2e1 g1e1 3. e4e1 e6e1

Puzzle #16: 1. d5c3 a1a8 2. b7a8 e4a8

Puzzle #17: 1. d3d4 g6f4 2. c3f3 f4e2 3. f3e2 g4e2

Puzzle #18: 1. c6c7 e2e1 2. c1e1 a1e1

Puzzle #19: 1. f7g6 f3f6 2. g6f6 h6f6

Puzzle #20: 1. f8e8 d3b5 2. e6f5 e2e8 3. c6e8 b5e8

Puzzle #21: 1. f3f7 e2f1 2. f7f1 f8f1

Puzzle #22: 1. b7a7 d5a8 2. a7a8 a1a8 3. c7b8 a8b8

Puzzle #23: 1. g8g7 h1h7 2. g7h7 f7h7

Puzzle #24: 1. d7b5 d3b5 2. b2b5 b1b5

Puzzle #25: 1. d6d5 a5d8 2. d5d8 d1d8

Puzzle #26: 1. e2f3 g3g2 2. f3g2 b7g2

Puzzle #27: 1. f4f2 g5g2 2. f2g2 e2g2

Puzzle #28: 1. e3d2 e8e1 2. d2e1 b4e1

Puzzle #29: 1. c2c4 f6g4 2. g2g3 g4f2 3. f3f2 f8f2

Puzzle #30: 1. f3f4 c4f1 2. f4f1 f8f1

Double Check - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. f7h7 c4f1 2. g1f1 f5g3 3. f1e1 f8f1

Puzzle #2: 1. g3h4 h3g2 2. h1g1 d4e2

Puzzle #3: 1. g8f8 f4d6 2. f8e8 b3f7

Puzzle #4: 1. h1h2 g3f1 2. h2g1 c7h2 3. g1f1 h2h1

Puzzle #5: 1. g8h7 g6g7 2. h7h6 d3h7

Puzzle #6: 1. e8f8 h5h7 2. h8h7 e4h4 3. h7g7 h4h7

Puzzle #7: 1. d4f4 g6f7 2. g8f7 g3f4

Puzzle #8: 1. c6e5 f7f8

Puzzle #9: 1. b2b1q g7f8q 2. g8h7 f8f7

Puzzle #10: 1. h1g1 f2h3 2. g1h1 c5g1 3. f1g1 h3f2

Puzzle #11: 1. d3c2 g6h7 2. g8h7 g4g7

Puzzle #12: 1. d3f5 a5b3 2. c1b1 a8a1 3. b2a1 b3d2

Puzzle #13: 1. c4a3 g5e6 2. g7h8 h3f5

Puzzle #14: 1. b4d5 f3f2 2. f1f2 g5c1 3. f2f1 c1f1 4. g1f1 f5g3

Puzzle #15: 1. c5d4 h6g7 2. h8g7 h1h7 3. g7f8 c2h2

Puzzle #16: 1. f6h5 g6f7 2. g8h8 g3g8

Puzzle #17: 1. g8f6 e6f7 2. e8f7 g4e6 3. f7g7 e6c6

Puzzle #18: 1. h6h7 e4f6 2. h7h8 c2h7

Puzzle #19: 1. d2e4 g4g2 2. f1g2 h3g2 3. h1g1 h8h1

Puzzle #20: 1. b4d3 g1g7 2. g8h8 g7g8 3. h8g8 a1g1 4. e7g5 g1g5

Puzzle #21: 1. e7f6 f7h6 2. g8h8 d5g8 3. f8g8 h6f7

Puzzle #22: 1. a3d6 e2b5 2. e8f8 e1e8

Puzzle #23: 1. e5e4 h5f6 2. g8f8 f6h7 3. f8e7 a1f6 4. g5f6 f3f6

Puzzle #24: 1. f1f6 e3e1

Puzzle #25: 1. d5f4 e6e8

Puzzle #26: 1. a3b3 f6e8 2. g7g8 d4g7

Puzzle #27: 1. f4h3 e6c4

Puzzle #28: 1. f8e7 e8f6 2. g8g7 d8g8

Puzzle #29: 1. h1g1 f2h3 2. g1h1 b6g1 3. f1g1 h3f2

Puzzle #30: 1. h6g5 c1g5 2. d8e8 f6g7 3. f8g7 g5f6

Sacrifice - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. d5d6 e2b2 2. b1b2 e7e2

Puzzle #2: 1. e7f6 c2b1 2. c3b1 e8e1

Puzzle #3: 1. e7f7 c8c1 2. e3f1 c1f1 3. g1f1 g5c1

Puzzle #4: 1. d3e4 d5d1 2. a1d1 d8d1

Puzzle #5: 1. e6e5 c5b6 2. c6c1 b6b7 3. c1e1 e3d2

Puzzle #6: 1. c6e7 c8b7 2. e7f5 d4b2

Puzzle #7: 1. g5d5 b2d2 2. d5c4 d2d8 3. g8f7 b3c4

Puzzle #8: 1. a8f8 h6h7 2. g8h7 d3g6 3. h7g8 g6h7

Puzzle #9: 1. d3d2 e7e8 2. d8e8 e4e8 3. b8e8 e1e8

Puzzle #10: 1. b5d6 e8f8 2. e2d3 c8c2 3. d3c2 h4g3

Puzzle #11: 1. e7d7 d6f7 2. d7f7 h4h5 3. g6h5 f1f7

Puzzle #12: 1. c5c2 b7g7 2. h7g7 h4f5 3. g7g8 f5d6

Puzzle #13: 1. d2e3 f7f1 2. e1f1 f8f1

Puzzle #14: 1. c3d5 f6d5 2. g5e7 d5e3 3. g2f3 e3d1

Puzzle #15: 1. f8d7 f6f2 2. g1h1 f2f1 3. e1f1 f7f1

Puzzle #16: 1. b2d2 h3h6 2. g7h6 e8f7

Puzzle #17: 1. g1g2 h4g4 2. g3g4 c3c2 3. g2f3 c2c1q

Puzzle #18: 1. d5d6 f4h2 2. h1h2 e4h4

Puzzle #19: 1. e2c4 c8h3 2. g2h3 e8h5

Puzzle #20: 1. e2b2 d1g1 2. h1g1 d8d1

Puzzle #21: 1. e4f4 f8f4 2. d2f4 d4e2 3. g1h2 e2f4

Puzzle #22: 1. h4f2 h5h8 2. g8h8 d1h5 3. h8g8 h5h7

Puzzle #23: 1. e8c8 h6h8 2. g8h8 d2h6 3. h8g8 h6g7

Puzzle #24: 1. b5b6 c5c3 2. d3c3 d4e2 3. g1h1 e2c3

Puzzle #25: 1. a8d8 c2c3 2. c4c3 d6e5 3. h8g8 e5c3

Puzzle #26: 1. g6g5 e3e7 2. c7e7 d4f6

Puzzle #27: 1. f6d4 e7e1 2. b1e1 e8e1

Puzzle #28: 1. g6b1 e7f7 2. g8h8 f7f8 3. a8f8 f4f8

Puzzle #29: 1. e3d4 f7f8 2. c8f8 f1f8

Puzzle #30: 1. f2f3 h3g3 2. g4g3 h5f4 3. g2h2 f4e2

Deflection - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. h1e1 c4a3 2. b1a1 a3c2 3. h7c2 c7c2 4. h4f4 g7e5

Puzzle #2: 1. h4d8 f8d8 2. c8d8 a8b8 3. d8d7 b8b7

Puzzle #3: 1. f8g7 b5b2 2. d6f6 b7b8q 3. a7b8 b2b8

Puzzle #4: 1. e6f5 h7h8 2. f7g8 e1e8 3. f8e8 h8g8

Puzzle #5: 1. d4d3 e1e6 2. d6e6 f3d3

Puzzle #6: 1. a2a4 c5f2 2. g3f2 d8d1 3. g1h2 a7f2

Puzzle #7: 1. h2g1 a8a7 2. f7a7 f3f2 3. g1h2 f2f1q

Puzzle #8: 1. h3h2 b6b7 2. c2b2 h8h2 3. b2h2 b7b8q

Puzzle #9: 1. d5d4 g3g7 2. g8g7 c1g5 3. g7h8 g5f6

Puzzle #10: 1. d3f5 f8f5 2. e5f5 e6e4 3. f4f3 g6f5

Puzzle #11: 1. c5c7 b5f1 2. c1d2 f1f2 3. d2d3 c8f5 4. d3c4 f2c2 5. c4b4 c2c7

Puzzle #12: 1. g2g4 f5e4 2. d5e4 a6e2 3. f3f2 e5e4

Puzzle #13: 1. e3f2 d3h7 2. g8f8 h7h8 3. f8e7 h8g7

Puzzle #14: 1. h2h3 g6f4 2. g2g1 f4h3

Puzzle #15: 1. g2g4 g7g5 2. h4h5 b3h3

Puzzle #16: 1. e4d3 a4d4 2. d3c3 d4c4 3. c3c4 d1c2 4. e3e2 c2d2 5. e2e1q d2e1

Puzzle #17: 1. f2g3 d1h1 2. h2h1 d6g3

Puzzle #18: 1. b5b4 d3d8 2. f8e7 d8g8

Puzzle #19: 1. b4a4 d5c3 2. a4b3 c3b5 3. b3c4 b6c6

Puzzle #20: 1. d4f5 c4d6 2. e4f3 d6f5

Puzzle #21: 1. g1f3 d7h3 2. g2g1 g5f3 3. b3f3 h3f3

Puzzle #22: 1. h2g2 g7g2 2. g1g2 f5e3 3. d2e3 g8g2

Puzzle #23: 1. g4g3 a6a7 2. c3b3 c7c4 3. a4c4 a7a8q

Puzzle #24: 1. g1f1 h2h1 2. f1e2 h1g2

Puzzle #25: 1. f4g5 g8g5 2. g3f2 e4e3 3. f2e3 g5g1

Puzzle #26: 1. c6b5 b2b5 2. d5c4 b5b4 3. c4b4 e3d4

Puzzle #27: 1. g5f4 h5g4 2. g7h7 d8f8

Puzzle #28: 1. c8d7 c6e7 2. g8h8 a8f8

Puzzle #29: 1. d3f1 h4h1 2. g1h1 e1f1

Puzzle #30: 1. b6c5 c3c4 2. c5c4 d7c6

Promotion - Solutions

Puzzle #1: 1. e1h1 e8h5 2. b8c6 h7h8q

Puzzle #2: 1. c5e4 a2a4 2. g7g5 a4a5 3. g8g7 a5a6 4. g5g4 a6a7 5. g4g3 a7a8q 6. h3h2 g1h2 7. g3h2 a8a1

Puzzle #3: 1. e8d8 h5e8 2. d8e8 d7e8q

Puzzle #4: 1. h4f6 e5f6 2. f8f6 c7c8q 3. g3g8 d7d8 4. g8d8 c8d8

Puzzle #5: 1. h8g7 h7h8q

Puzzle #6: 1. c8h3 g2f2 2. h4f4 a7a8q 3. h8g7 a8b7 4. c6e7 b6e3 5. f4f3 e3f3

Puzzle #7: 1. h3h2 b6b7 2. c2b2 h8h2 3. b2h2 b7b8q

Puzzle #8: 1. e7e6 e5e6 2. f5e6 e3e2 3. h5h6 e2e1q

Puzzle #9: 1. e2e1 a8e8 2. d2e2 h3h2 3. e2e8 h2h1q

Puzzle #10: 1. e7e8q b8e8 2. e1e8 b2b1q 3. e8h8 h5g6

Puzzle #11: 1. h5h4 b4b3 2. c2c1 b3b2 3. c1h6 b2b1q 4. g1f2 b8b2 5. f2g3 b1e1 6. g3h3 e1h4

Puzzle #12: 1. h1g1 g7g8q 2. g1g8 h8g8 3. a3a2 h6h1

Puzzle #13: 1. e8g8 h7g8q

Puzzle #14: 1. b7c6 h6h7 2. c6d7 h7h8q

Puzzle #15: 1. b8c7 e4f5 2. f4f3 f5e6 3. f3f2 b5b6 4. c7b8 e6d7 5. f2f1q c6c7 6. b8b7 c7c8q

Puzzle #16: 1. c1b1 b5b6 2. b1h1 b7c6 3. h1h2 e5c4 4. h2c2 b6b7 5. c2c4 c6b5 6. e8d7 b7b8q

Puzzle #17: 1. b2b3 e3e2 2. a8a2 e2e1q

Puzzle #18: 1. e4f6 g6f6 2. e6e5 h5h6 3. e5e4 h6h7 4. e4e3 h7h8q

Puzzle #19: 1. e8d8 f3f2 2. c6c5 e4e3 3. d8d3 e3e2 4. d3d7 e2e1q

Puzzle #20: 1. h4g3 d1d8 2. b8c7 h7h8q 3. g3h2 g1f2

Puzzle #21: 1. g6f7 c4c3 2. g5g6 c3c2 3. g6g7 c2c1q

Puzzle #22: 1. g1g2 e3e2 2. e4b1 e2e1q

Puzzle #23: 1. g7g8q e2e1q 2. e6d6 f1g1

Puzzle #24: 1. d3e2 g2g1n 2. e2f2 g1f3

Puzzle #25: 1. e5c4 d6b8 2. a8b8 a7b8q

Puzzle #26: 1. a5a6 f4f3 2. e2e3 f3f2 3. a7a8 f2f1q

Puzzle #27: 1. g3f4 c4b3 2. e4f5 b3a3 3. f5f6 b5b4 4. f6e7 b4b3 5. f4f5 b3b2 6. f5f6 b2b1q

Puzzle #28: 1. e7b7 g6h7 2. b7c7 h7h8q 3. c7c8 h8h7

Puzzle #29: 1. d8d3 e6e7 2. d3g3 e7e8q 3. f6f8 e8e5

Puzzle #30: 1. e3f3 c6c7 2. f3e3 c7c8q

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