

Double Check

Easy · Rating 500-1313 · 12 positions

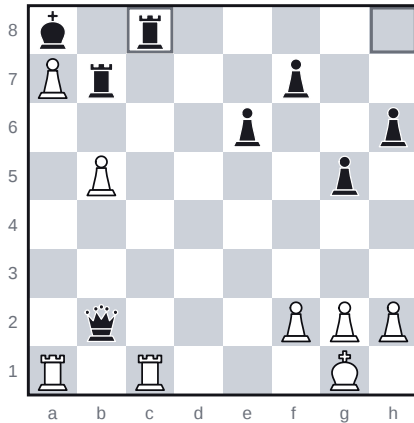
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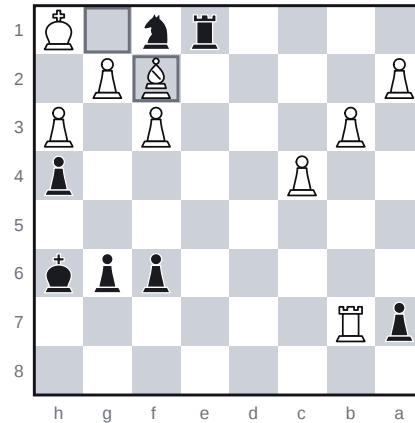
Find the best move for the side to move and write it in the box. The two outlined squares show the move just played. Answers on the last page.

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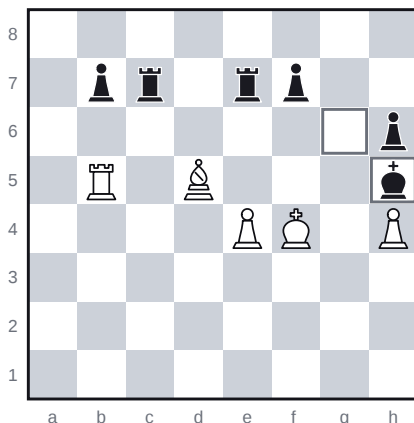
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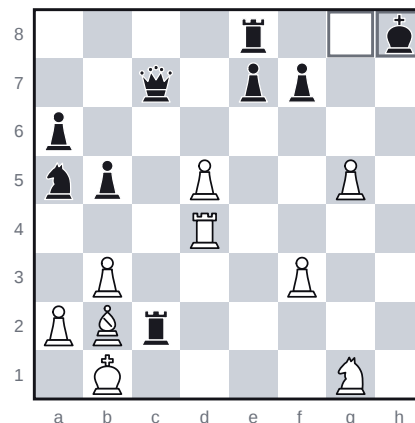
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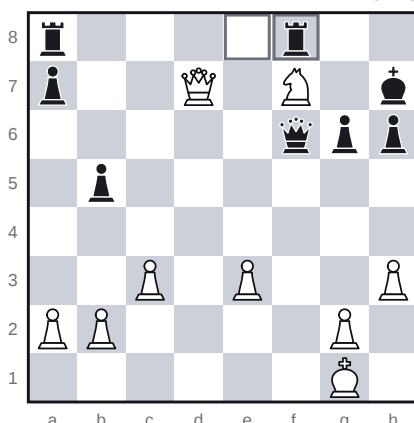
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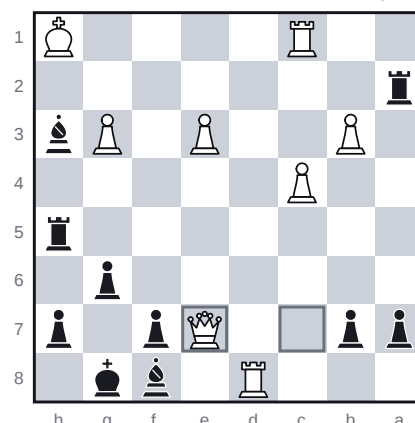
4 White to move (916)



5 White to move (942)



6 Black to move (963)



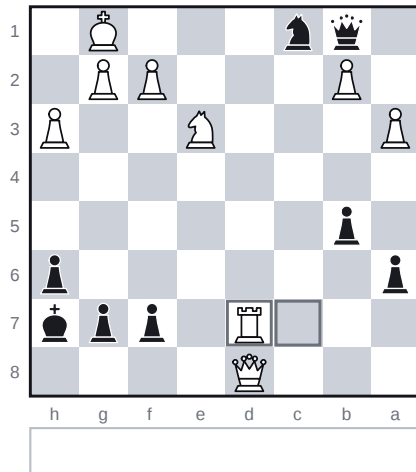
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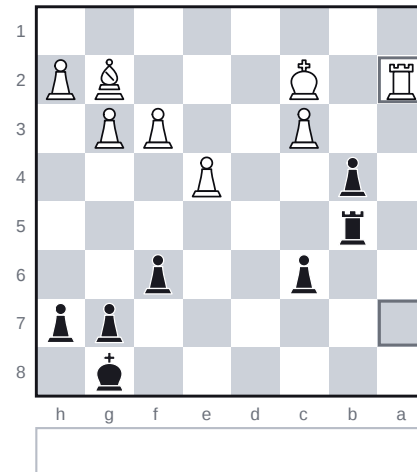
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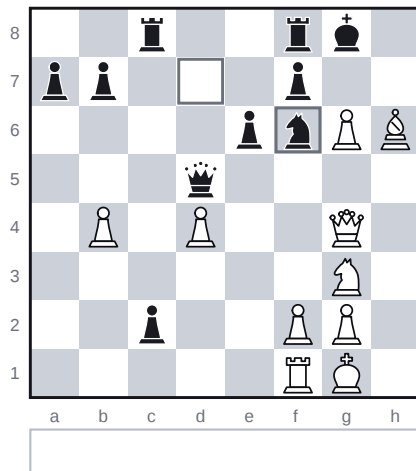
7 Black to move (982)



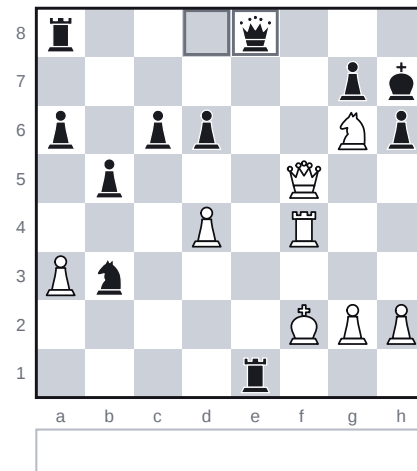
8 Black to move (997)



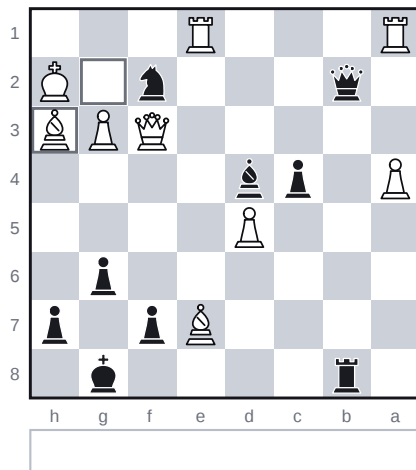
9 White to move (1158)



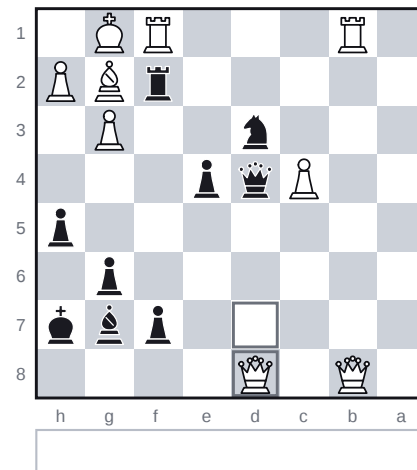
10 White to move (1196)



11 Black to move (1271)



12 Black to move (1313)



Answer key

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What to look for

Two pieces giving check at once. Nothing can be captured and nothing can block, so the king has to move.

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| 1. 29.Rxc8+ Rb8 30.axb8=Q#
Mate in 2. | #6P7X6 |
| 2. 43...Ng3+ 44.Kh2 Rh1#
Mate in 2. | #04KbJ |
| 3. 44.Bxf7+ Kxh4 45.Rh5#
Mate in 2. | #aamJS |
| 4. 26.Rh4+ Kg8 27.Rh8#
Mate in 2. | #dYZYp |
| 5. 34.Ng5+ Kh8 35.Qh7#
Mate in 2. | #ob8Qj |
| 6. 28...Bg2+ 29.Kg1 Rh1#
Mate in 2. | #bAycm |
| 7. 33...Ne2+ 34.Kh2 Qg1#
Mate in 2. | #lhCFn |
| 8. 26...b3+ 27.Kb1 bxa2+
The pawn on b3 attacks the king on c2 and the rook on a2. Wins a rook. | #4Xtlp |
| 9. 23.gxf7+ Kxf7 24.Qg7+ Ke8 25.Qxf8+
Wins a rook. | #IGREb |
| 10. 27.Nf8+ Kh8 28.Qh7#
Mate in 2. | #XlPbA |
| 11. 30...Ng4+ 31.Kh1 Qh2#
Mate in 2. | #CNu0g |
| 12. 30...Rxf1+ 31.Kxf1 Qf2#
The rook on f1 attacks the king on g1 and the rook on b1. Mate in 2. | #LwkbJ |

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