

Double Check

Intermediate · Rating 1345-1846 · 12 positions

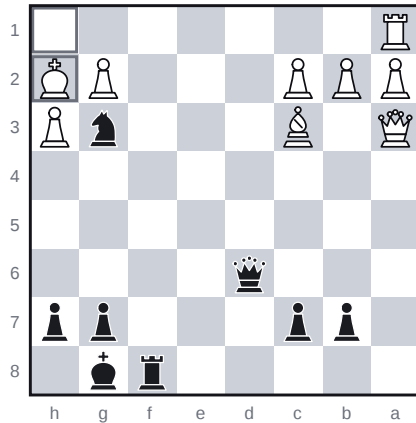
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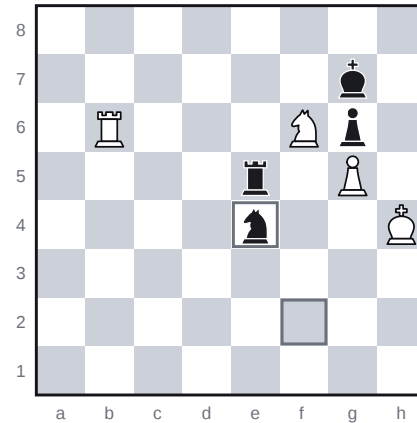
Find the best move for the side to move and write it in the box. The two outlined squares show the move just played. Answers on the last page.

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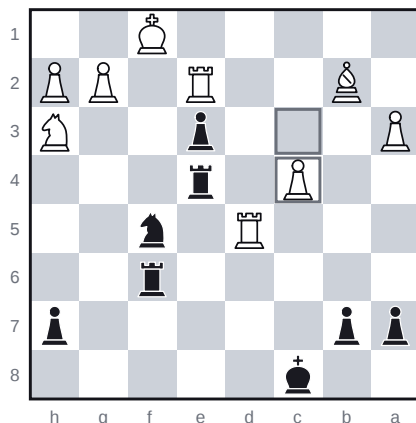
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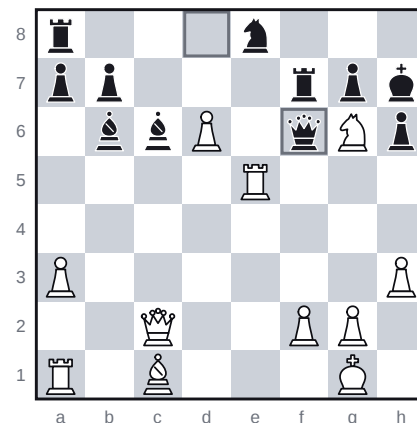
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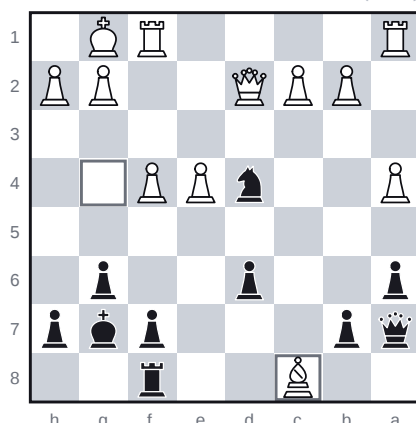
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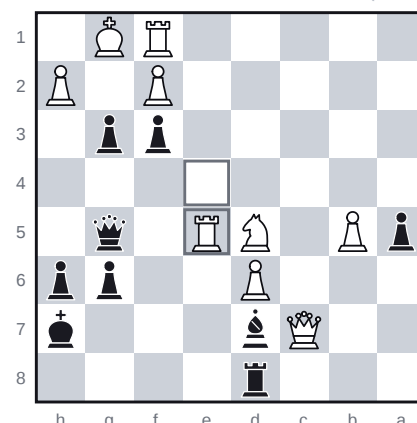
4 White to move (1422)



5 Black to move (1442)



6 Black to move (1484)



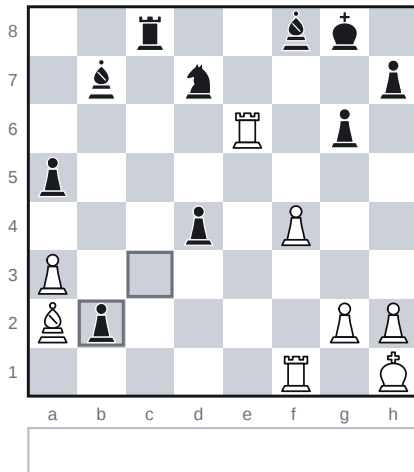
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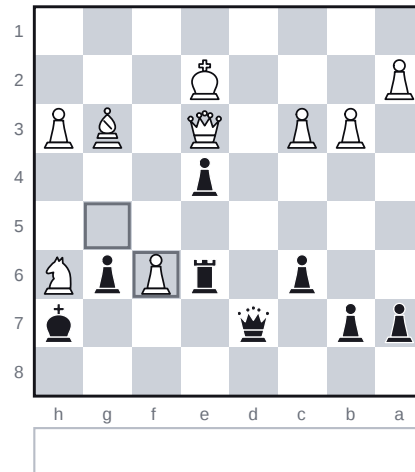
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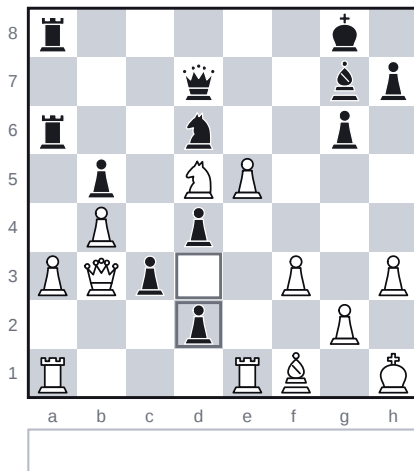
7 White to move (1530)



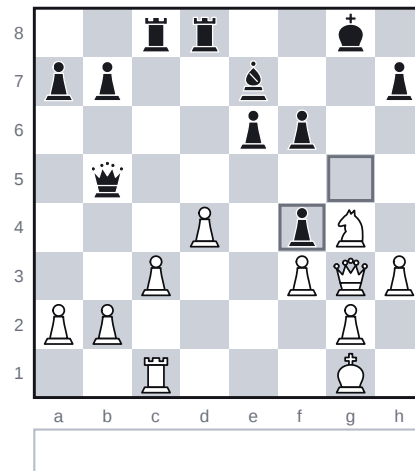
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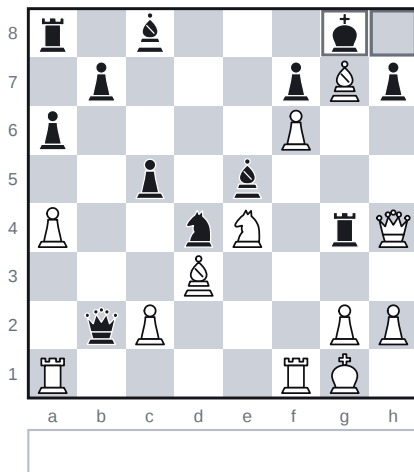
9 White to move (1655)



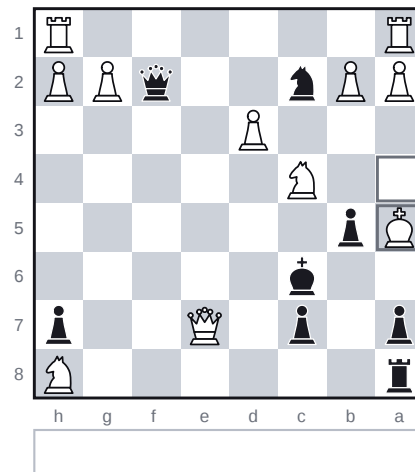
10 White to move (1715)



11 White to move (1814)



12 Black to move (1846)



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. 26...Nf1+ 27.Kg1 Qh2#
Mate in 2. | #ARA0o |
| 2. 44.Rb7+ Kf8 45.Nd7+ Kf7 46.Nxe5+
Wins a rook. | #gaSmp |
| 3. 37...Ng3+ 38.Ke1 Rf1#
The knight on g3 attacks the king on f1 and the rook on e2. Mate in 2. | #QjdJH |
| 4. 25.Nf8+ Kg8 26.Qh7+ Kxf8 27.Qh8#
Mate in 3. | #EbSsa |
| 5. 17...Nf3+ 18.Kh1 Nxd2
The knight on f3 attacks the king on g1 and the queen on d2. Wins a queen. | #6uyFF |
| 6. 32...gxh2+ 33.Kh1 Qg2#
Mate in 2. | #ETA2T |
| 7. 34.Rxg6+ Kh8 35.Rg8#
Mate in 2. | #64oH3 |
| 8. 31...Qd3+ 32.Qxd3 exd3+ 33.Kxd3 Kxh6
The queen on d3 attacks the king on e2 and the queen on e3. Comes out 2 pawns ahead. | #E88w5 |
| 9. 47.Nf6+ Kh8 48.Nxd7 dxe1=R 49.Rxe1
The knight on f6 attacks the king on g8 and the queen on d7. Wins a rook. | #4A5N4 |
| 10. 27.Nh6+ Kh8 28.Nf7#
Mate in 2. | #KNNTf |
| 11. 23.Qxh7+ Kxh7 24.Ng5+ Kg8 25.Bh7#
Mate in 3. | #Ir0Bq |
| 12. 25...Qb6+ 26.Nxb6 axb6#
Mate in 2. | #On0qz |

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