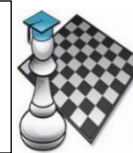


Announcement: What did the chess coach say when asked what colour a player was in the tournament? "It's Tuesday so up to you" 😊 And remember., just as entertaining as a choose your own adventure, it's yet another exciting edition of RNF 😊 😊 😊 :)



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ROOK NO FURTHER # 48

THE WHAT

So, kids, do you want to test your chess skills in a NEW, FUN and EXCITING WAY?

And Parents, do you want to know more about upcoming junior tournaments?

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COACH JOKES: Q: What do roads do before a chess game?
A: They hi wave 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: Most Important "Checkmate Patterns" #3 King + Rook vs King - See Magic Mini

Hi everyone. If you have only one rook to checkmate and your king, both pieces need to combine to push your opponent's King onto any edge of the board to give checkmate. How you do this is first think about trapping your opponent's king on a particular rank or file. Then, next, bring your king up to help your rook trap your opponent's king further on the other line at the same time (either a rank or file). In this way, you will sooner or later force your opponent's king backwards and eventually onto an edge. Once your opponent's king is on an edge you just need to line your king up with theirs (blocking it from escaping off the edge- just with your king) and then use your rook to attack to give checkmate. This is the hardest mate pattern we've done so far 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

Question:
Here, how do we get black's king onto the right square for the knight fork on f5? 😊 😊 😊 😊

In each position find the best move/moves.
White to move = W Black to move = B



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MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.



Example starting position for the King and Rook vs. King checkmate
😊 😊 😊

King and Rook Work Together to Checkmate

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|----------------------------------|--------------|
| 1. Rf4! Controlling 4th rank Kd5 | 8. Rd5 Kc6 |
| 2. Kd2 Ke5 | 9. Kc4 Kb6 |
| 3. Ke3 Kd5 | 10. Rc5 Kb7 |
| 4. Re4! Kc5 | 11. Kb5 Kb8 |
| 5. Rd4 Controlling D file Kb5 | 12. Kb6 Ka8 |
| 6. Kd3 Kc5 | 13. Rc8 mate |
| 7. Kc3 Kb6 | |
- King and Rook combined = 1-0**

UPCOMING EVENTS

<https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/tournaments/upcoming>

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| EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 29TH MAY | 1:40pm- 4:50pm |
| Online Code: WVHTFBC4Y1 | |
| INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 6TH JUNE | 9:20am- 1:00pm |
| Online Code: V024UCOGAA | |
| PARRAMATTA SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 12TH JUNE | 12:50pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: QT4WPIDHLG | |
| HURSTVILLE SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 13TH JUNE | 10:00am- 12:50pm |
| Online Code: B95DEMQPF7 | |
| PYMBLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 19TH JUNE | 12:40pm- 3:50pm |
| Online Code: T4JUAWGAJD | |

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