

Announcement: What did the chess player do when his ice chess board broke? Igloo it back together 😊 Hi everybody, in this RNF let's look at the Caro Kann defence pattern at the start for black. Learning plans in lots of different openings can be quite useful 😊



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THE WHAT

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COACH JOKES: Q: Why are birds so hard to beat at chess?
A: Because they always worm up before their matches 😊

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Solid openings: "THE CARO KANN" -

See Example in Magic Mini

Hi guys, let's continue looking at opening plans. The Caro Kann is a defence for black that starts after white goes 1. pawn to e4 and black answers 1. pawn to c6. Black aims to support a center attack with this pawn. White normally plays pawn up to d4 and now we go 2. pawn to d5. There's a few different things that white can do here. If white pushes their pawn to e5 (to stop our knight going to f6) on move 3, black can strike in the center immediately with pawn to c5. If white takes this c5 pawn, knight c6 + pawn e6 can target whites broken center. If they don't take c5, a general plan of going knight c6, pawn e6, bringing out our g knight to h6 (or e7 and then f5) and Bishop e7 + castling works best. Alternatively, if on move 3 white defends their e4 pawn with their knight instead, trading pawns and then Black moving knight to f6 to challenge the center also gives good play 😊 Development is key 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

White to move = W Black to move = B

Question:

Here we are white. We're winning, what's the easiest way to win? Starts with T 😊 (Afterwards, to promote, use K to protect d8 square)



MAGIC MINIS

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1. e4 c6
2. d4 d5
3. e5 c5
4. c3 Nc6
5. Nf3 cxd4
6. cxd4 Bg4
7. Be2 e6
8. 0-0 Nge7
9. Nc3 Nf5
10. Be3 Be7
11. h3 Bxf3
12. Bxf3 0-0



Bonus Chess Joke

Why do dragons only like to play chess with a clock? Otherwise their games will drag on 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊

Typical play for black in the Caro Kann "advance variation". Where White "advances" pawn e5.

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