

Announcement: What did the really smart dog say when someone asked him what the points difference is between knights and bishops in the chess game? Nothing 😊 And, what did the 2 players say who were playing on the moon? 'Don't get a space jam' 😊 😊



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ROOK NO FURTHER # 112

Did you know that the chess player once got checkmated by 6 dwarves? Not happy



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? Rook no further! Find me on sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/newsletters + on our Facebook Page



COACH JOKES. Q: Why are carrots so good at solving chess puzzles? A: Because they know how to get to the root of the problem 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

"Tactical Trickery"
Chess Mazes

Do practice the ideas :)

UPDATED EDN

Hi everyone. For this newsletter, I thought I'd cover the usefulness of a brand new puzzle idea that I haven't often shown. These are 'chess mazes'. Now, a chess maze can come in all sorts of different formats, but they're all about picturing in your mind the correct path to take to achieve something. The correct squares to take, the correct lines to move on, the correct order of moves to follow etc. The questions might ask something like 'If the White King only moves, how many moves does it take to get to f4?' for example. How can this help us in our regular games? It's easy. Everything comes back to lining up pieces in chess. When we attack, when we defend, when we use tactics (like most forks- except for knight forks and pawn forks), pins and skewers, chess

mazes can help us picture such before we do them.

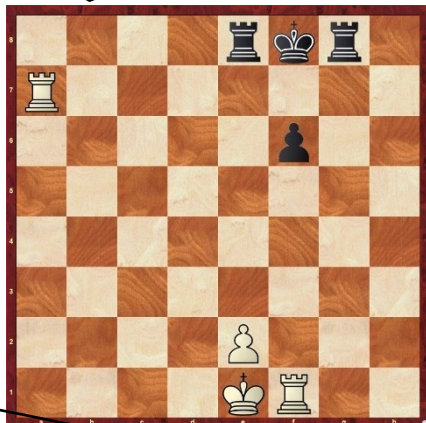
PESKY PUZZLES:

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

Chess Mazes 1:

QUESTION

How many moves does it take to checkmate Black when the only piece that moves is White's King? 😊



Only piece that moves is White's King. How many moves to mate?



Only Bishop moves, it can't move into danger, how many

MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter. a fun mini

Game: Lindehn-Maczuski 1863

- e4 e5
- d4 exd4
- c3 dxc3
- Bc4 cxb2
- Bxb2 Bb4+
- Nc3 Nf6
- Ne2 Nxe4
- 0-0 Nxc3
- Nxc3 Bxc3
- Bxc3 Qg5
- Re1+ Kd8
- f4 Qxf4
- Bxg7 Rg8
- Qg4 Qd6
- Bf6+ Qxf6
- Qxg8# 1-0



A classic example of White 'gifting' pieces to Black to further attack. Black should have thought about developing his own pieces first instead of taking so much 😊

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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| PARRAMATTA U/12 JCL TOURNAMENT 17TH AUGUST | 12:45pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: 5ZUQY5NYGA | |
| CHESS SQUAD ONLINE SUNDAY U/18 TOURNAMENT | 9:30am- 12:30pm |
| https://www.chesssquad.com/subscribe/?plan=prod_P40D0n4iYVe2BV | |
| HORNSBY SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 18TH AUGUST | 12:40pm- 3:50pm |
| Online Code: FZ36G2NY0E | |
| LINDFIELD SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 24TH AUGUST | 1:10pm- 4:20pm |
| Online Code: R8AD7DQX0W | |
| BURWOOD U/12 JCL TOURNAMENT 24TH AUGUST | 9:00am- 12:00pm |
| Online Code: PVLRF6RZO3 | |

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