

Announcement: Remember, as we look at the "great snake variation" of the English Opening, the main thing about chess is, win, lose, or draw, you can't venom all 😊 And, it really goes without saying, these new rook no furtherers are anything but boa-ring 😊 RNF 124

2025 RNF 124

ROOK NO TREE SNAKE!



How do magic snakes start any wish to win their chess games? Adder-Cadabra XD XD XD

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: Snakes like chess 2nd best. So, what's their favourite board game? A: Snakes and ladders 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: "Interesting Ideas 4" The Great Snake- see magic mini

Snake chess jokes are really hisssssterical XD

This pawn formation is quite interesting.

Hi guys. For this edition of RNF- RNF 124, I thought it would be very useful to have a look at **Black's unique pawn formation** in the so-called "Great Snake Variation" of the English Opening. Now, the English opening is for White and starts with the beginning move 1. pawn to c4. White aims to be as flexible as possible, maybe following up c4 by playing pawn d4, or pawn e4, and developing their kingside quickly- including their king knight. Black in response to this, can aim to go 1. pawn g6, then Bishop g7, and have a setup of pawns on d6, e5 and f5 and develop around them- castling quickly as well. This is "the Great Snake" variation. Black builds around White's development and has a strong dark square diagonal strategy, wanting to give their Bishop on g7

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves. as much space as possible. See magic mini.

Diversion (Distraction)

To the right is a classic diversion (think distracting chess pieces) tactic. How can White win Black's Queen by distracting their King?



MAGIC MINI

Black to move and get a winning advantage from 1 of my tournaments.

How does White get a winning advantage here from a game by the great Judit Polgar

FM Moral Garcia 2325- FM Kadir Erden 2206
2024 Titled Tuesday Game

1. c4 g6
2. g3 Bg7
3. Bg2 f5
4. Nc3 Nf6
5. d3 0-0
6. e4 d6
7. Nge2 Nc6
8. 0-0 e5
9. Rb1 fxe4
10. dxe4 Nd7
11. Nd5 a5
12. Be3 Nc5
13. Qd2 Ne6
14. b3 Ncd4
15. f4 Nxe2+
16. Qxe2 c6
17. Nb6 exf4
18. gxf4 Nd4!! 0-1



The Great Snake variation in action! Black counterattacks at the right moment and wins a piece! 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 😊 :)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

- EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT #2 29TH MARCH** 1:40pm- 4:50pm
Online Code: V06ITW5RAY
- NORTHERN BEACHES SUNDAY FUN 30TH MARCH** 12:40pm- 3:50pm
Online Code: BJAE48NEAT
- PARRAMATTA U/500 JCL TOURNAMENT 5TH APRIL** 12:45pm- 3:50pm
Online Code: 11X545TQU0
- ROSEVILLE SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 5TH APRIL** 1:40pm- 4:50pm
Online Code: 3CZSBPIYXF
- BURWOOD SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 6TH APRIL** 9:20am- 1:00pm
Online Code: TX7STZUM8L



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