

Announcement: What did the chess players do who had been playing chess for 24 hours? They called it a day 😊 But not before reading Earth's greatest ever chess newsletter they didn't, Rook No Further! Rook's like a winner (as always), RNF 28 😊



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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?

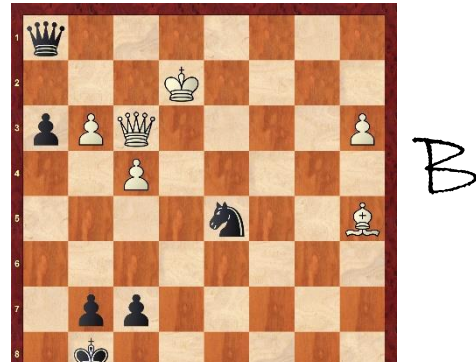
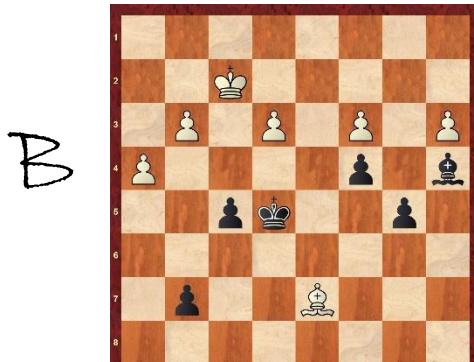
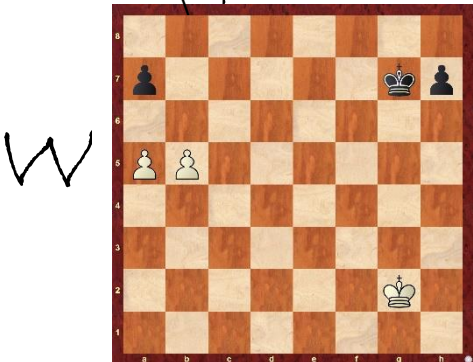
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COACH JOKES: Q: Did you hear about the cat who won the chess tournament?
A: Just "kitten". He came second 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS: Terrific Chess Traps and Zaps 3: Passed Pawns Win Games

Hi guys. One of the most important ideas we can learn in chess, is how to best use the weakest piece on the board, that of the humble pawn. Now remember, a pawn one step away from queening is practically worth a whole lot more than 1 point. That is, the further a pawn marches, it can often tie down an opponent's entire army (or what they have left), trying to stop it. In other words, a pawn gets stronger the closer it gets towards the end/"touching down." What helps us win games like this are "passed pawns". Passed pawns are pawns with no other pawns in front of them (or on the files right next to them) blocking their path. Even if opponent's other pieces are in the way, pieces aren't as permanent. So, always try to create and push passed pawns.

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



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1. e4 c5
2. f4 g6
3. d3 Bg7
4. c3 e6
5. Be2 Ne7
6. Nf3 O-O
7. h4 h5
8. Ng5 d5
9. Bxh5 dxe4
10. dxe4 gxh5
11. Qxh5! Re8
12. Qxf7+ Kh8
13. h5! **Black resigns 1-0 if 13. Rf8, then 14. h6!! Rxf7 Nxf7+ completely crushing.**

White just needs one more attacker to make toast 😊😊😊



CHARGE OF THE KINGSIDE LITTLE PAWNS 😊

FUN FUN FUN CHESS JOKES

Even more chess jokes 😊😊😊😊

- 1) I once couldn't find the controller to the computer chess set. But I knew it was in a remote location 😊
- 2) Why couldn't the Tyrannosaurus Rex get home quickly after his chess game? Because he hurt his leg. He was actually a Tywalkasaurus Rex 😊
- 3) Why do dogs have an unfair advantage playing in chess tournaments? Because they're always in the lead 😊
- 4) If a society invented the game of chess, who invented underwater chess? A seaciety 😊
- 5) What do you call an owl that escapes checkmate? A Hoot-dini 😊
- 6) Why is the chess coach so careful? Because he always double checks everything 😊
- 7) Did you hear about the glasses who can play chess? They're quite the spectacle 😊



SuperCoach signing off