

Announcement: Why did the train lose the chess game? Easy, because he lost track of his pieces 😊 But whose the most patient chess player in all the galaxy? Darth Waiter 😊 Now, the train should have & Darth Waiter does, read RNF 😊 RNF #100 coming up



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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: Did you hear about the phone who just won its chess game?
A: It was a bit of a close call 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

IDEAS TO KNOW IN GAMES #2

Pawn Promotion: "EXCELSIOR"

Hi guys. Now even I didn't know this chess idea until fairly recently. An "excelsior" in chess is a pawn moving from its starting square all the way up to promotion – usually in the endgame. To achieve this, it's important to clear the pawns path and stop any opponent's pawns from promoting themselves. Why is this useful? We know from earlier RNFs that pawn promotion wins games. If you make a new Queen after all you can beat anybody. That is, from the World Chess Champion to even yours truly, the World's Most Hilarious Chess Coach. Excelsiors teach us long term planning. We can even think about getting our pawns through if they're on the 2nd rank for White or the 7th for Black. The word Excelsior itself in Latin means "onward and upward" 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

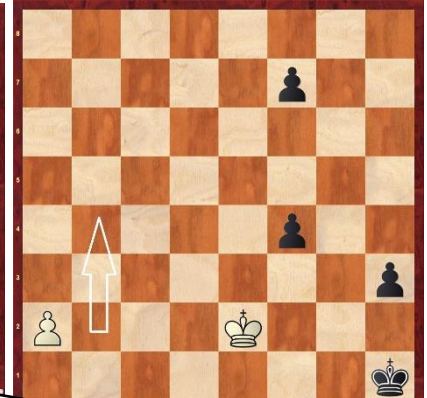
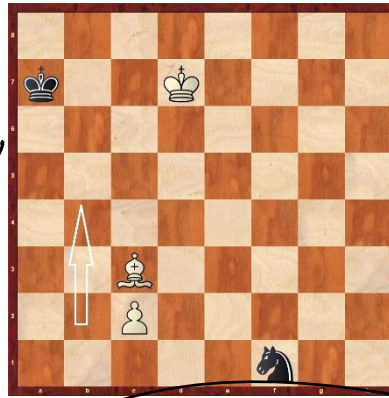
White to move = W Black to move = B

Question:

We are White here. Will our a2 pawn make it first/before the King stops us? 😊



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MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

- d4 d5
- Nf3 c5
- c4 e6
- Nc3 cxd4
- Nxd4 e5
- Nf3 d4
- Nd5 Nf6
- Bg5 Be6
- e4 dxe3??

Final Position 😊 😊 😊



Bonus Chess Joke 😊 Why is spaghetti the smartest chess playing food there is? Because it always uses its noodle 😊 :)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

EPPING SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 25TH FEBRUARY 1:40pm- 4:50pm

Online Code: C118ZIN90

MOSMAN SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 4TH MARCH 1:30pm- 4:25pm

Online Code: 9K3G3CCQGG

CHESS SQUAD U/18 TOURNAMENT 4TH MARCH 9:30am- 12:30pm

https://www.chesssquad.com/subscribe/?plan=prod_Mt3J17l8vvlDQH

INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 5TH MARCH 9:20am- 1:00pm

Online Code: 96HF20H9WR

PARRAMATTA SATURDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 11TH MARCH 12:50pm- 4:00pm

Online Code: 9R9UPMPY4P

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electronic form, with your child's details.



SuperCoach signing off

Black missed
10. NxN, gxN
11. QxQ, KxQ
& 12. Bxf6+! 1-0
From the game Wiersma-Euwe 1920
Euwe lost, but became 5th World Champ (1935)