

Announcement: You know why chess hide and seek is not a thing yet? Because good players are hard to find 😊 And, what happened when the artist nearly lost his chess game? It was a brush with disaster 😊 Look out for legendary RNF #100 coming soon.



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ROOK NO FURTHER # 97

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: What type of tea do Kings and Queens have to drink?
A: Royal tea 😊

TACTICAL TIPS + TRICKS:

Famous Chess Players in History #2

Harry Nelson Pillsbury 1872-1906 😊

Hi everyone. The next chess player we will look at is the legendary Harry Nelson Pillsbury from America. Many considered Pillsbury to be a genius (generally), but also at chess, however, Pillsbury didn't learn chess until he turned 16. In fact, practically all the top chess players in the world in the late 1800s came to know Pillsbury as he had a fantastic match record against every single one of them. That is, even including Emmanuel Lasker (who was World Chess Champ for the longest time ever 27 years- a record unmatched even now!). Pillsbury out of 10 games against Lasker drew 5-5. What we can learn from Pillsbury to help us with our own chess, is, we should explore all opportunities that are available to us when we play, and not just the easy ones or

the first ones that spring to mind. We might just miss something if we do 😊

PESKY PUZZLES:

In each position find the best move/moves.

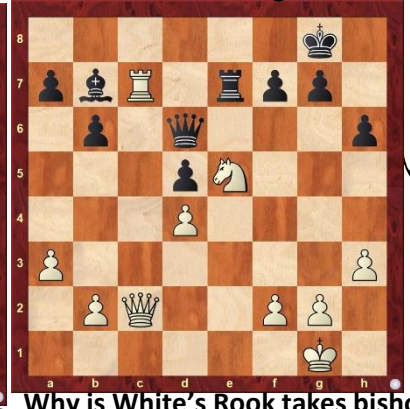
White to move = W Black to move = B something if we do 😊

Question: 😊

We are White. How can we setup for a really neat fork with our knight on e4? 😊 😊 😊 😊



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Hint: Use h1 Rook :)

MAGIC MINIS

Each newsletter, a fun mini game.

- e4 e5
- f4 Nc6
- Nc3 Nh6
- fxe5 Nxe5
- d4 Nc6
- Nf3 Bb4
- Bb5 Ne7
- Bc4 a6
- Bxh6 gxh6
- Bxf7+ Kxf7
- Ne5+! Ke6
- Qg4+ Kf6
- 0-0+! 1-0

Final Position 😊 😊 😊



- Pillsbury could play 12 games of blindfold chess and other games at the same time and repeat lists of words backwards at the end 😊

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

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| CHESS SQUAD U/18 TOURNAMENT 4TH NOVEMBER | 9:30am- 12:30pm |
| https://www.chesssquad.com/subscribe/?plan=prod_Mt3QcLu3XkQw5t | |
| PARRAMATTA U/500 JCL TOURNAMENT 4TH NOVEMBER | 12:45pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: Z7BPS5BTEP | |
| INNER WEST SUNDAY FUN TOURNAMENT 5TH NOVEMBER | 9:20am- 1:00pm |
| Online Code: B5K5SGJNE1 | |
| INNER WEST U/12 JCL TOURNAMENT 11TH NOVEMBER | 9:00am- 12:00pm |
| Online Code: H73V06L2ZX | |
| INNER WEST U/500 JCL TOURNAMENT 11TH NOVEMBER | 1:00pm- 4:00pm |
| Online Code: FWI4T7JXIQ | |

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Harry Pillsbury



SuperCoach signing off

From Pillsbury's multi game matches in 1893