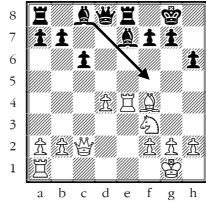
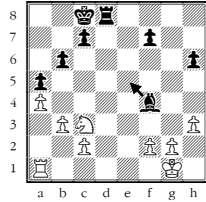


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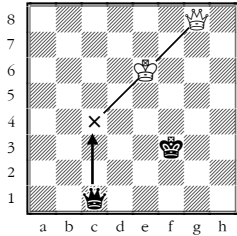
...Bf5 wins the exchange

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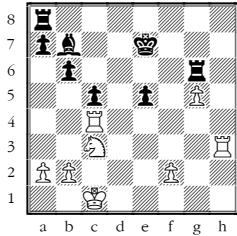
Be5 wins the Knight for nothing

5. Skewers



Skewers are another tactic where two pieces are attacked at once. Like pins, two pieces on a line are the key. This time the more important piece is in front, and you win the piece hiding behind.

Here, the black Queen checks from c4 and, after the white King moves, she takes the white Queen for nothing.

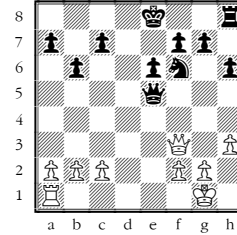


In this example, White plays Rh7+, then captures the poor black Bishop on b7.

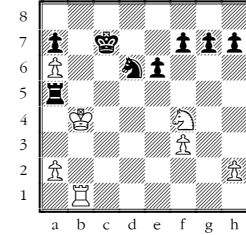
The black Rook on g6 could block on g7, but this does not help at all – White would just take that too!

Find the SKEWER in each of these positions:

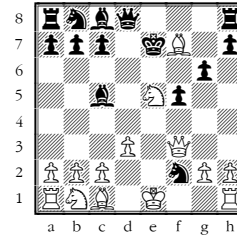
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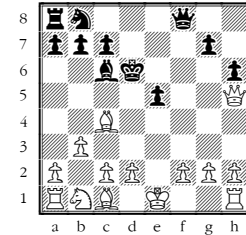
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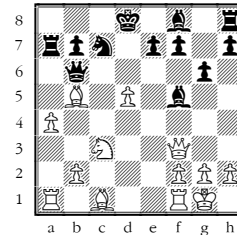
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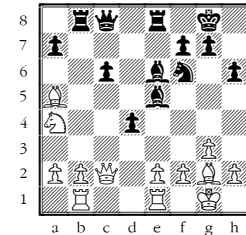
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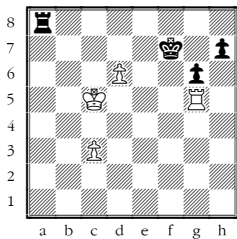
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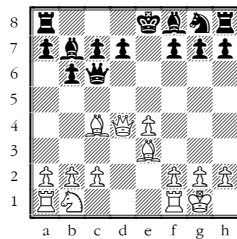
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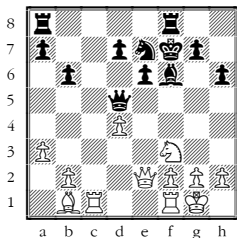
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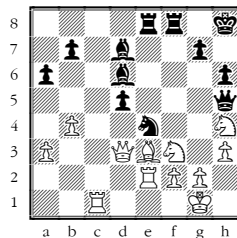
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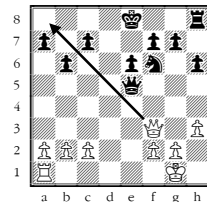


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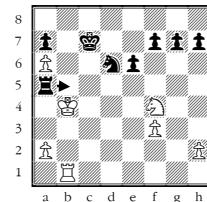
Answers

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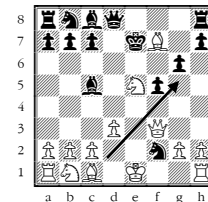
Qa8+! wins a rook:
One of the many good reasons to castle!

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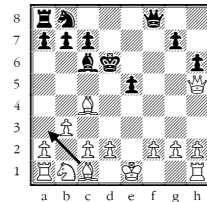
...Rb5+

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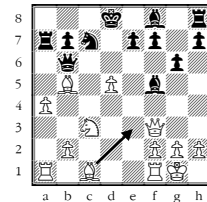
Bg5+

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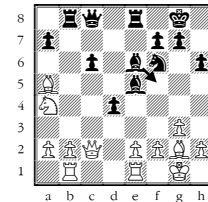
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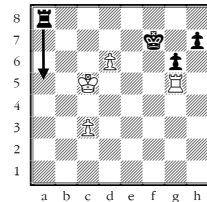
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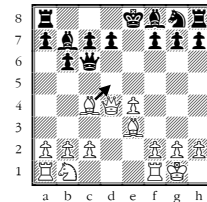
...Bf5

47.



...Ra5

48.



Bd5