

FIDE World Cup 2019 Puzzle Sheet #1

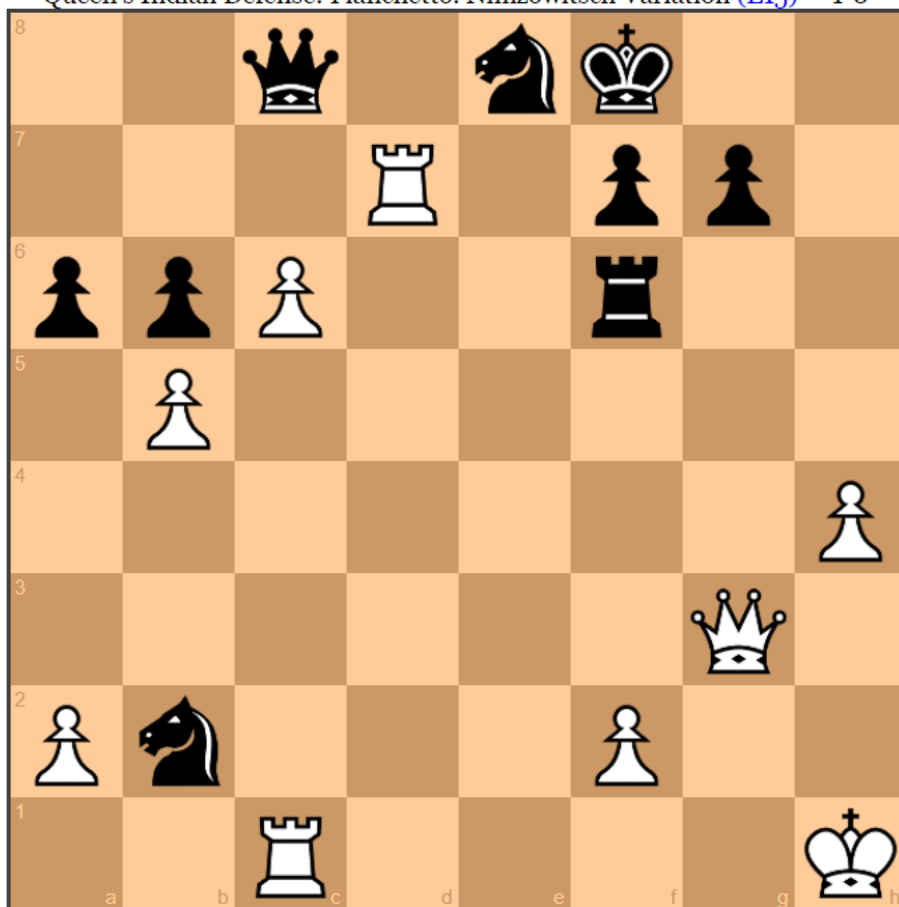
Coach M's Tip: Set each position up on a physical chess board when trying to solve it. It always helps to have the actual chess puzzle position set up on a real chess board when trying to solve a chess problem. After you've formulated all of your solutions for each position, you can check your work by setting up the game position in an analysis board and then switching on the chess engine.

1. White to play. "If it's free, then it's for me..."

Sanan Sjugirov vs Sandro Mareco

World Cup (2019), Khanty-Mansiysk RUS, rd 1, Sep-12

Queen's Indian Defense: Fianchetto. Nimzowitsch Variation (E15) • 1-0

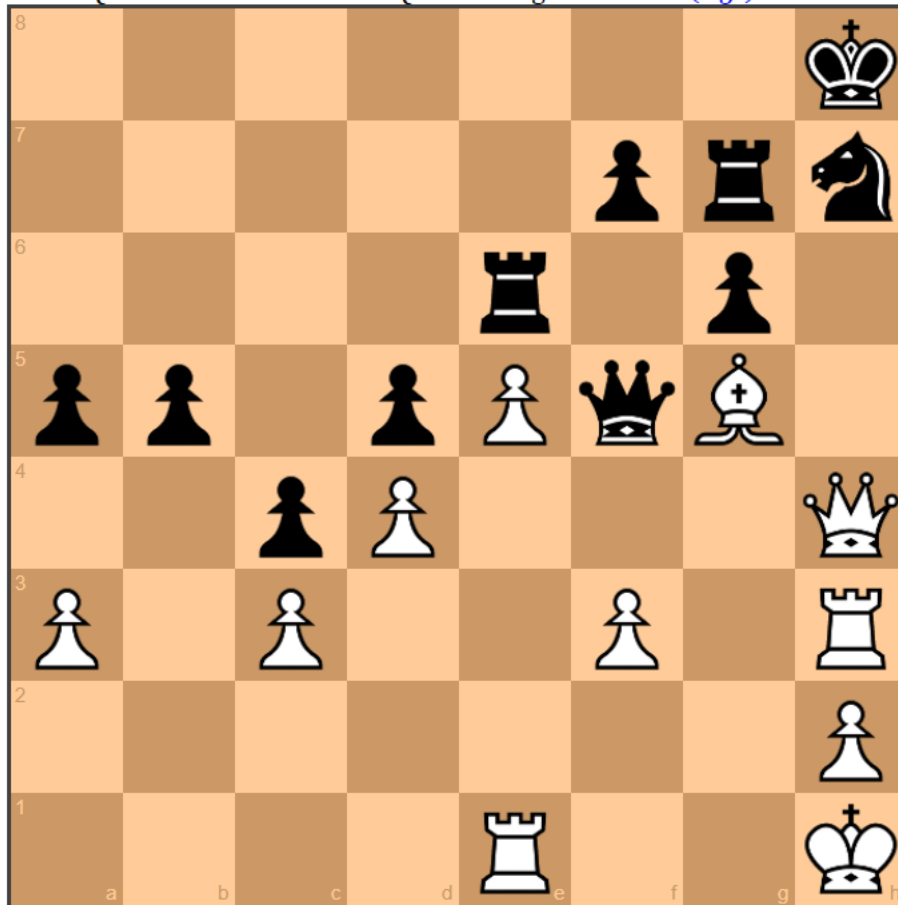


2. White to play. "Exploit the pin.."

Le Quang Liem vs Aleksej Gennadyevich Aleksandrov

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Queen's Gambit Declined: Queen's Knight Variation (D31) • 1-0

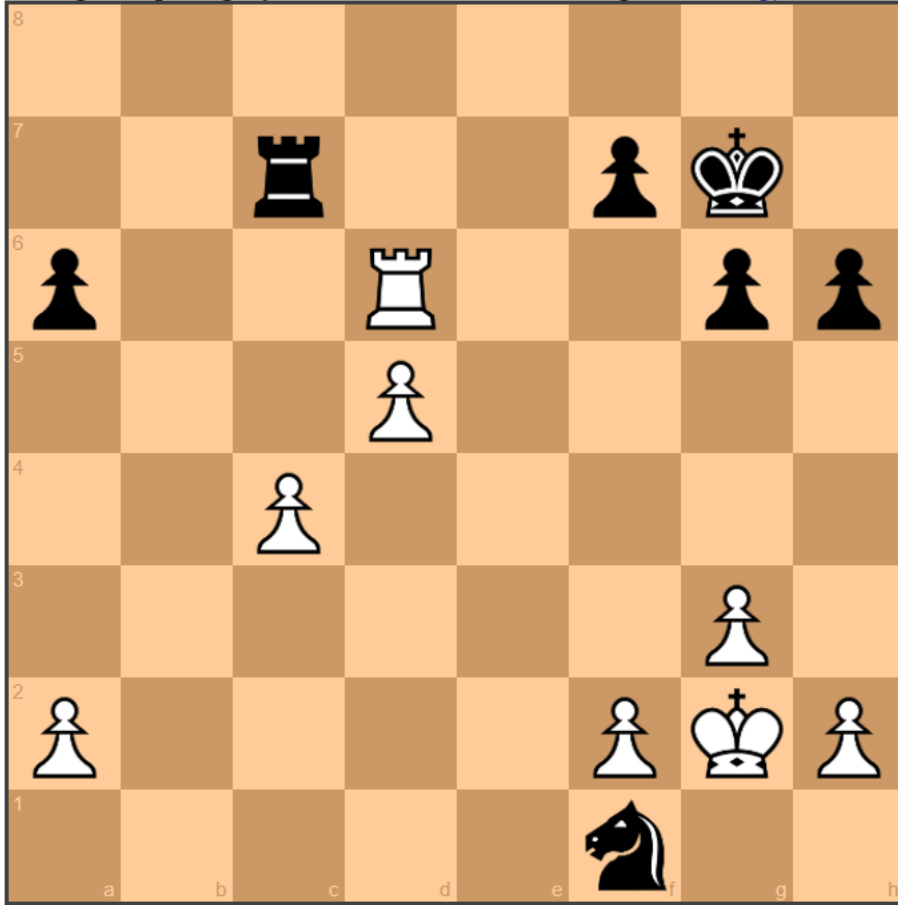


3. White to play. "End all resistance..."

Dmitry Andreikin vs Krikor Sevag Mekhitarian

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English Opening: Symmetrical Variation. Two Knights Line (A37) • 1-0

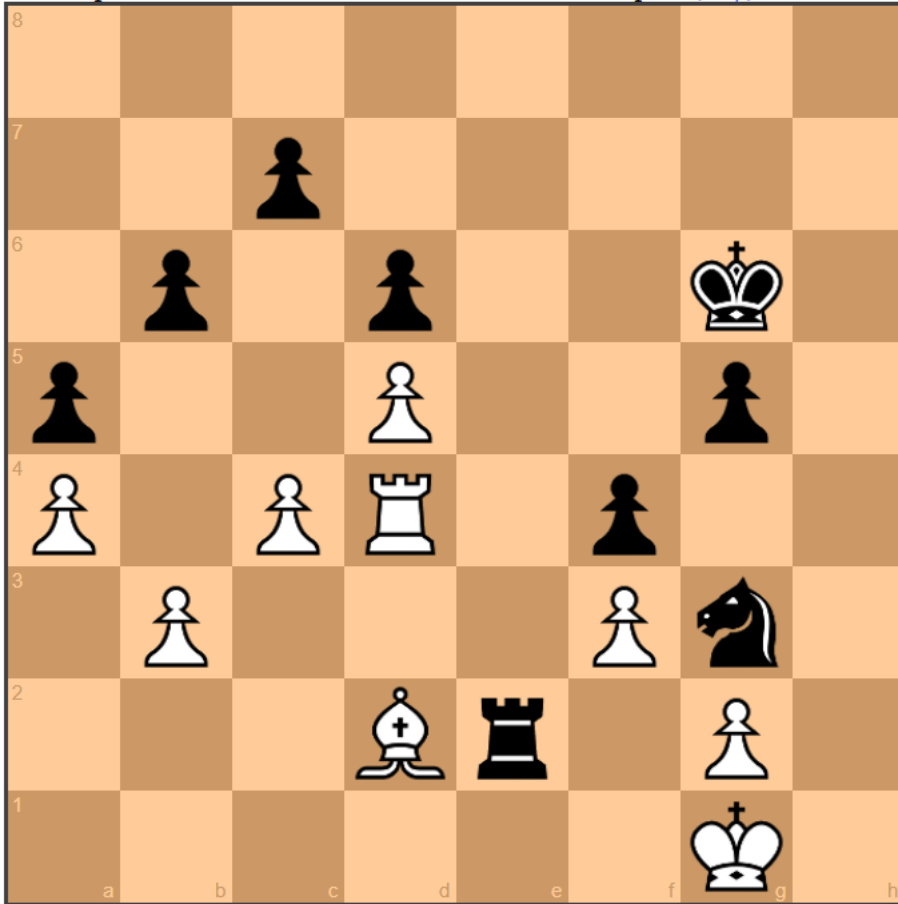


4. Black to play. "Hone-in on the undefendable weakness..."

Bilel Bellahcene vs Hikaru Nakamura

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Spanish Game: Berlin Defense. Rio Gambit Accepted (C67) • 0-1

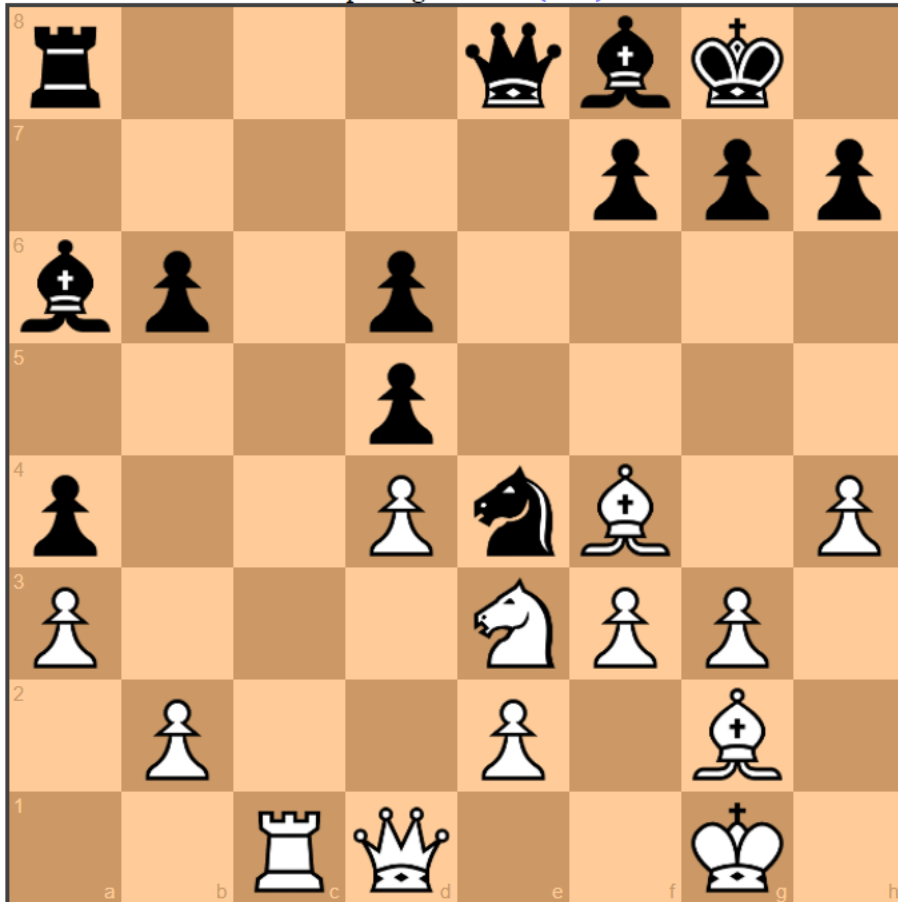


5. Black to play. "Deflect the defense..."

Grigoriy Oparin vs Sergei Movsesian

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Catalan Opening: General (Eoo) • 0-1

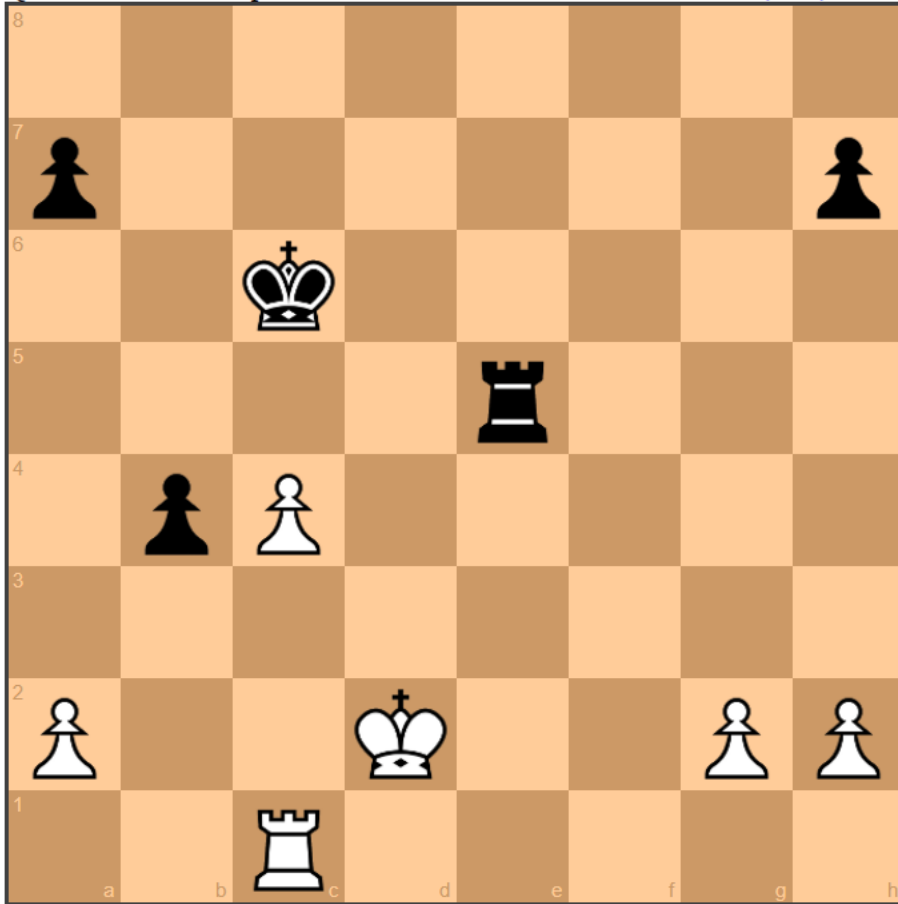


6. Black to play. "Force the win where you're better..."

Sethuraman P Sethuraman vs **Tamir Nabaty**

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Queen's Gambit Accepted: Central Variation. Rubinstein Defense (D20) • 0-1

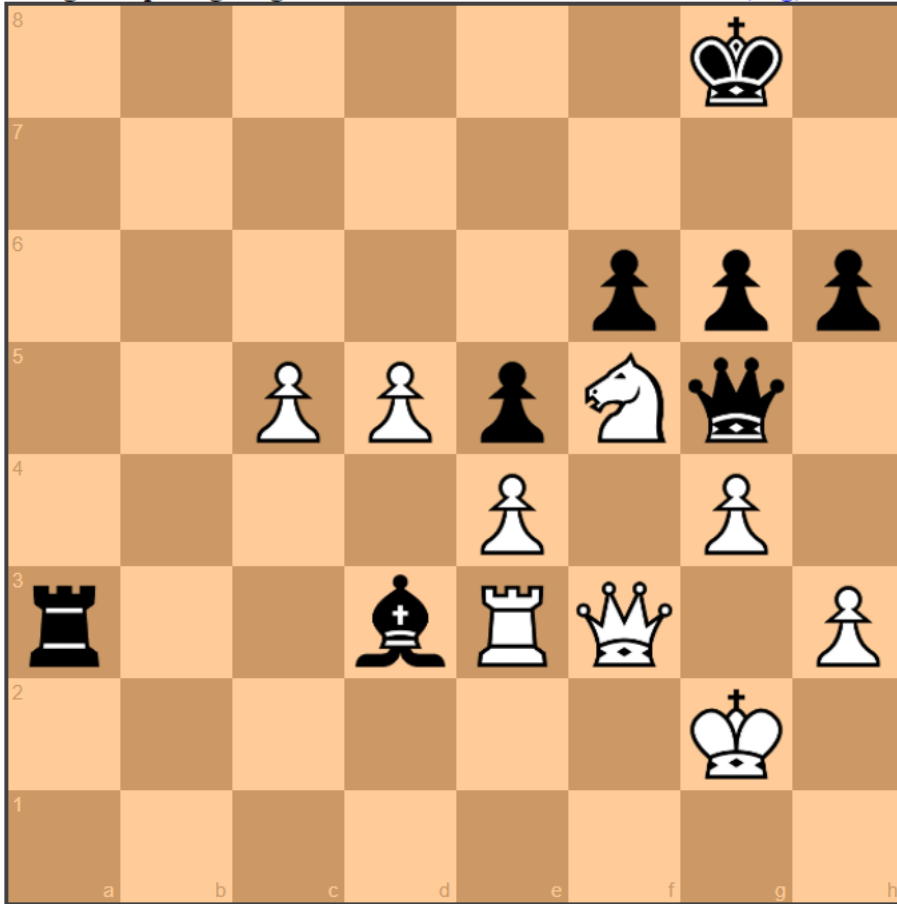


7. White to play. "End all resistance by complicating to simplify!?"

Luke McShane vs Neuris Delgado Ramirez

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English Opening: Anglo-Indian Defense. Romanishin Gambit (A13) • 1-0

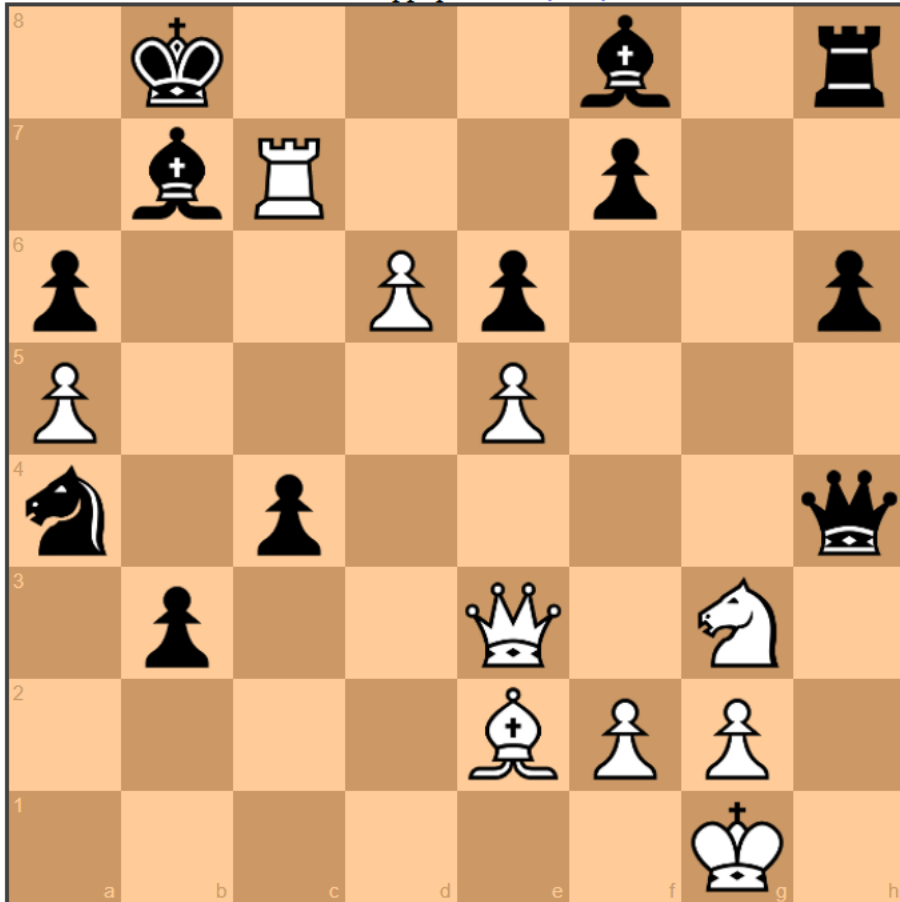


8. White to play. "Catch black's king..."

Parham Maghsoodloo vs **Maksim Chigaev**

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Formation: Hippopotamus (A00) • 1-0

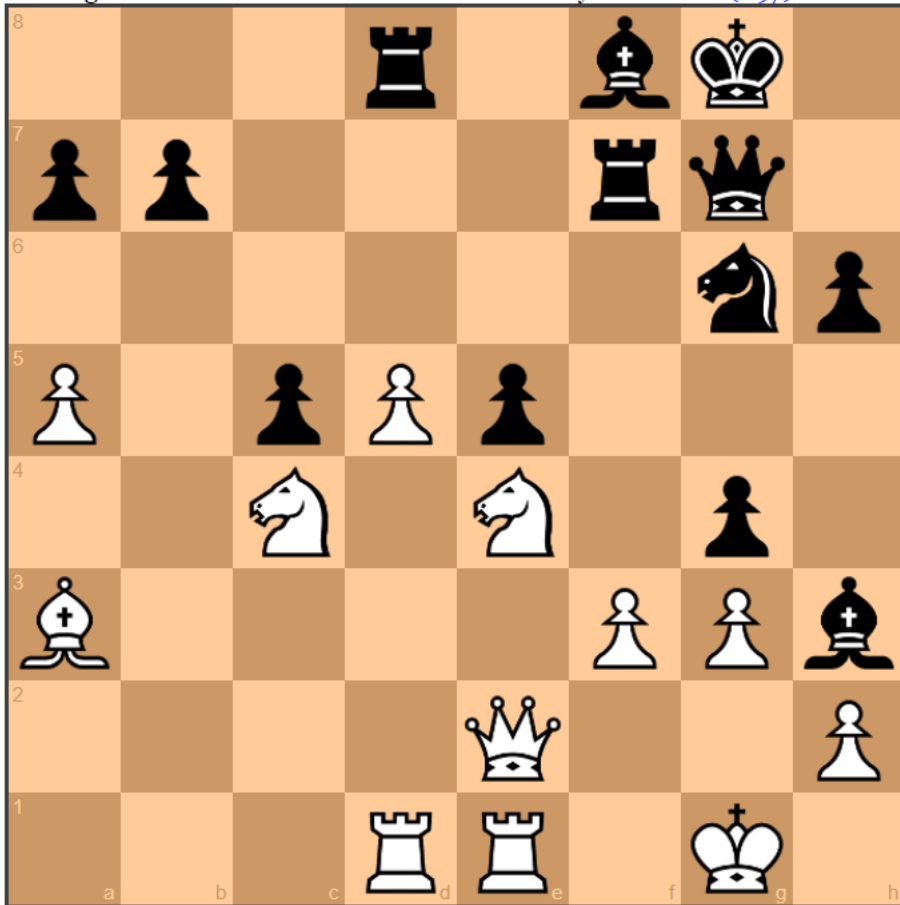


9. White to play. "Resolve the pressure & exploit black's weaknesses..."

Ernesto Inarkiev vs Murali Karthikeyan

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King's Indian Defense: Orthodox Variation. Bayonet Attack (E97) • 1-0



10. White to play. "Calculate a brute force material grab..."

Surya Shekhar Ganguly vs **Vladimir Fedoseev**

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English Opening: Agincourt Defense. Catalan Defense (A13) • 1-0

