

Chess Tactics – The Fork

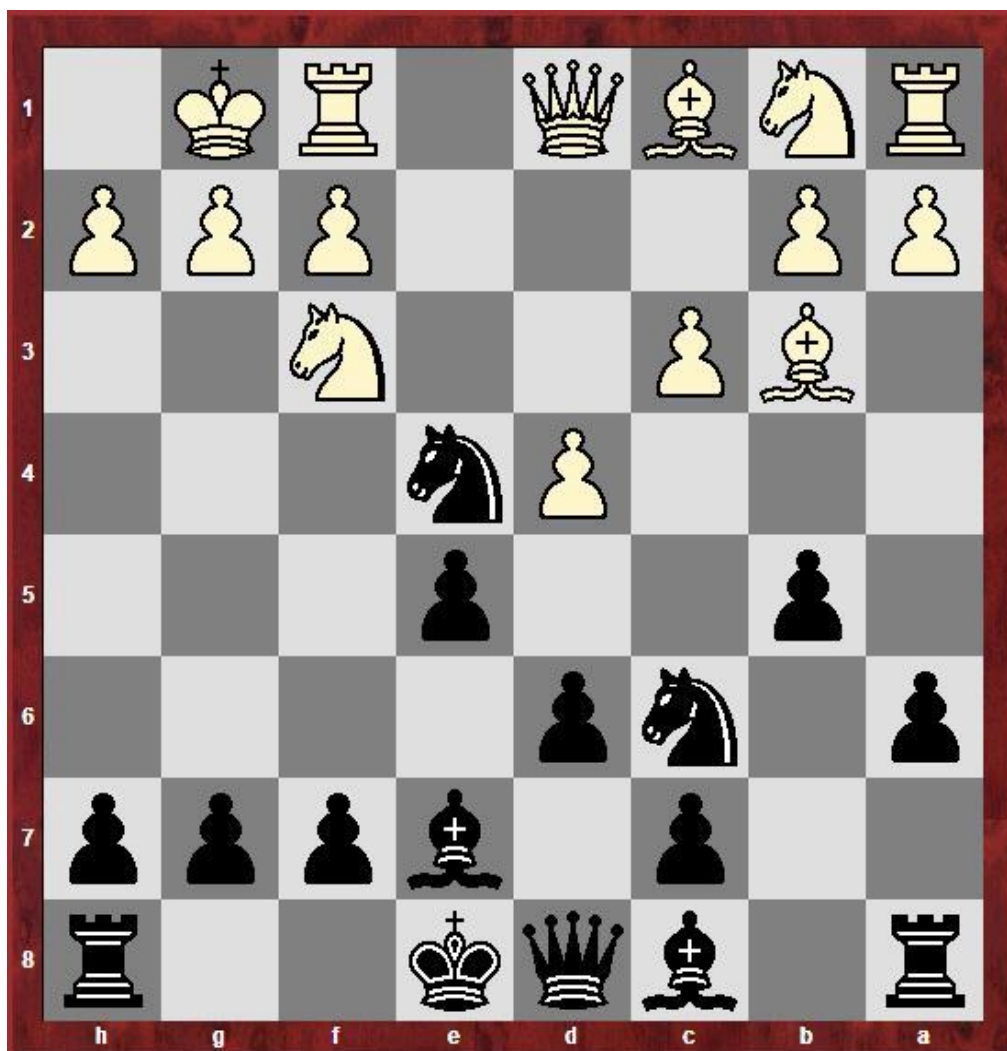
The fork involves attacking **two undefended pieces** at the same time so that when your opponent saves one of the pieces, you can safely capture the other one.

A fork can also involve making a move that attacks one piece but also **threatens checkmate**, so that when your opponent does something to defend against the threat of checkmate, it is safe for you to take the **undefended piece**.

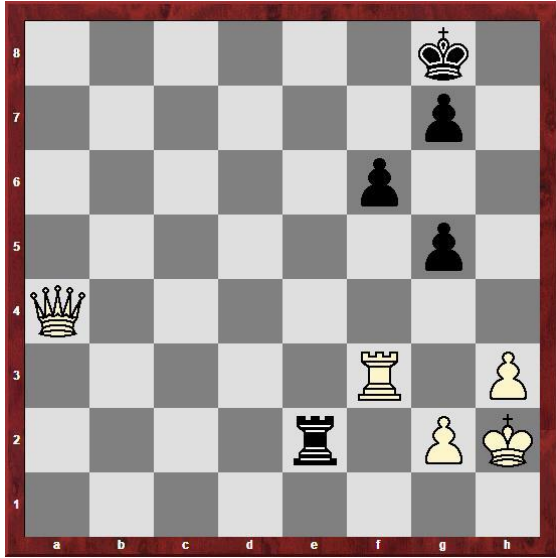
A fork that **checks the king** and attacks another piece also works very well as again the defending player is forced to deal with the check leaving the way open to **win the undefended piece** when the king is no longer in check.

See if you can find the correct move that creates a fork in the following positions.

White to move



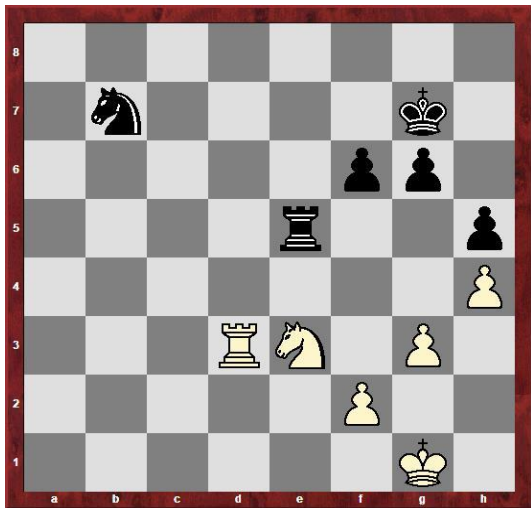
White to move



Black to move



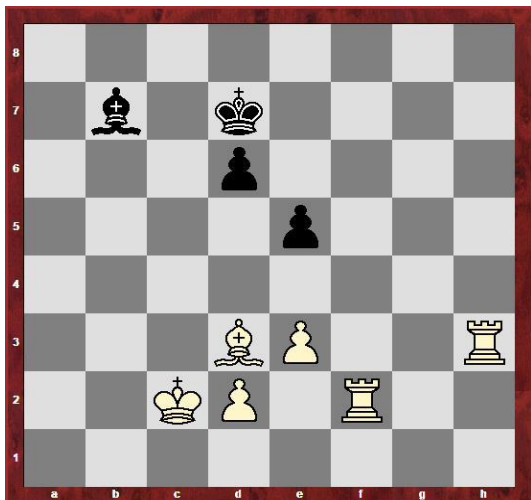
White to move



White to Move



White to move (two move fork)



White to move

