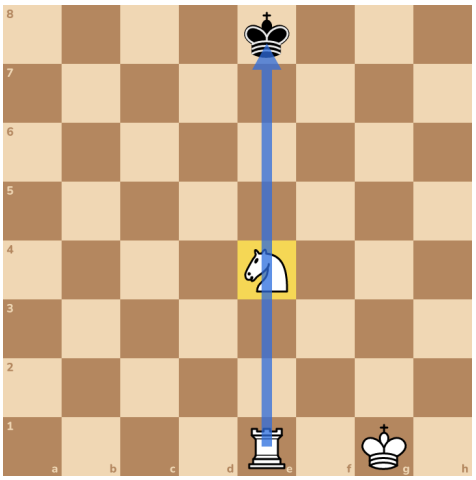
My Chess Family

What is a discovered attack in chess?

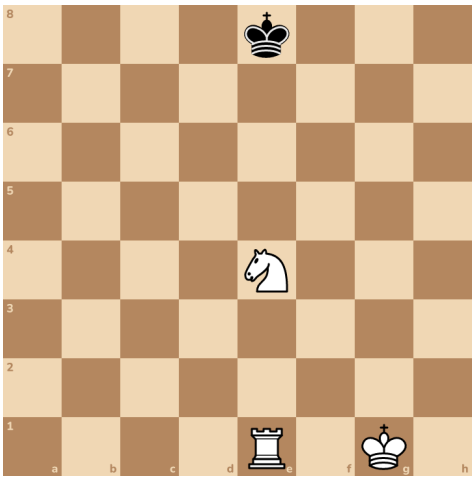
Try each question on a real board, then check the answers at the end of the sheet.

The hidden attack

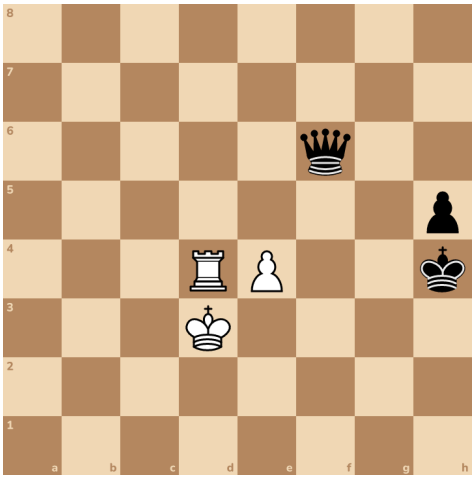
When one of your pieces moves out of the way, the piece behind it can attack. That's a discovered attack.



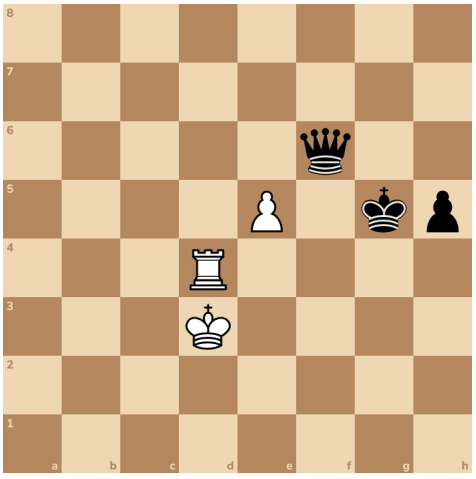
Move the knight and the rook gives check. If the knight attacks something too, you can win it.



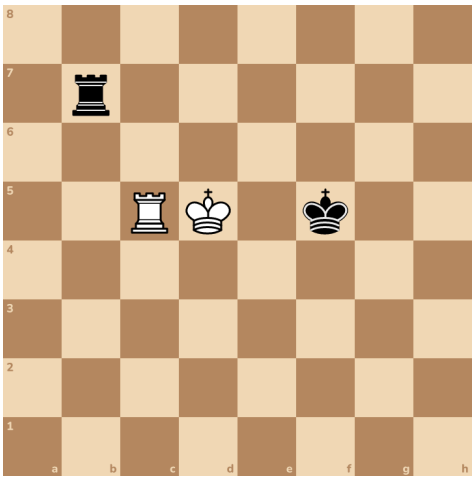
Try it 1. New position. Move your pawn to give check with the rook, and attack the queen too!



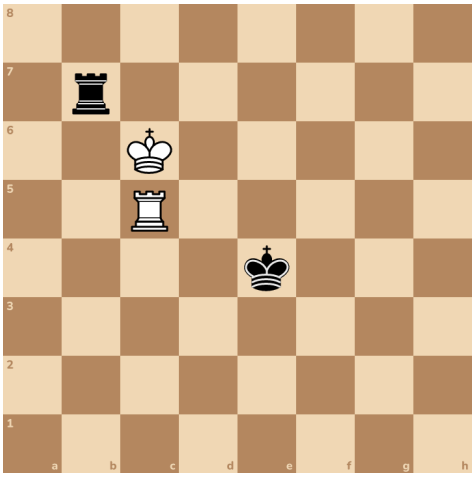
Try it 2. Take the queen!



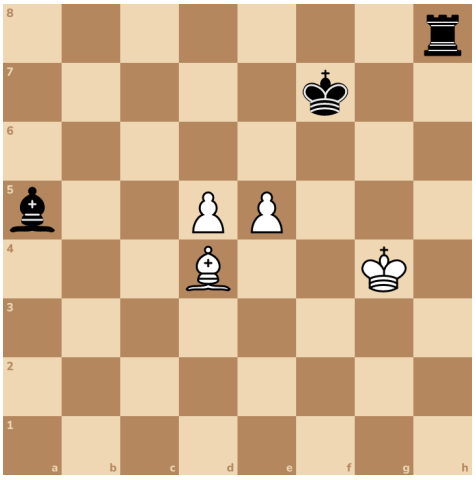
Try it 3. Here's another one. Even your king can do it! Move the king to give check with the rook, and attack the black rook.



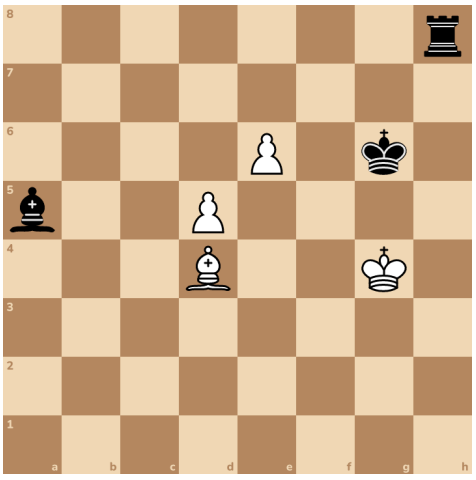
Try it 4. Take the rook!



Try it 5. Here's a new position. Push a pawn to give check, and let your bishop attack the rook!



Try it 6. Take the rook!



Discovered attacks are sneaky. Look for pieces hiding behind your own pieces!

Answers

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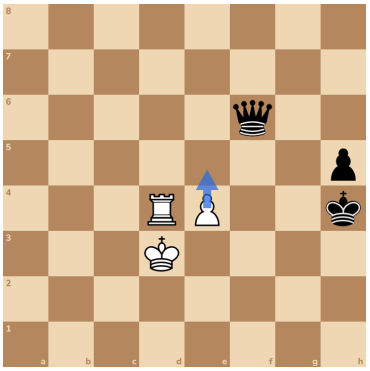
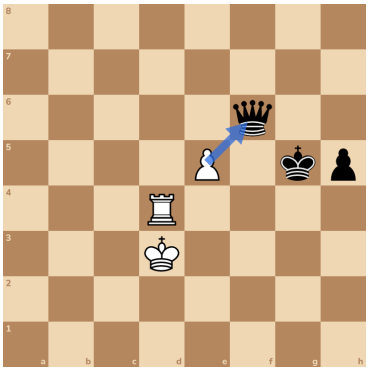
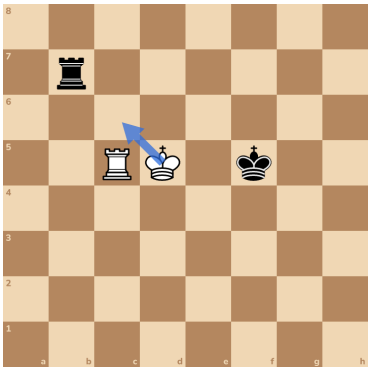


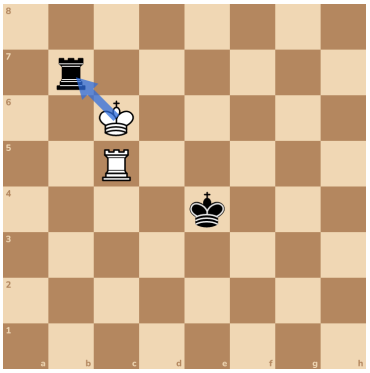
2. exf6



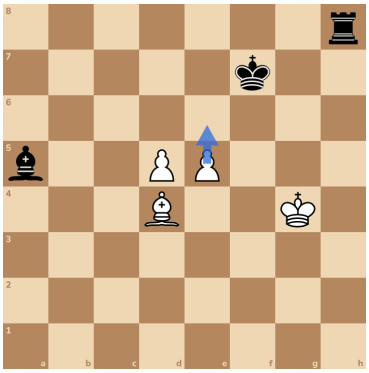
3. Kc6+



4. Kxb7



5. e6+



6. Bxh8

