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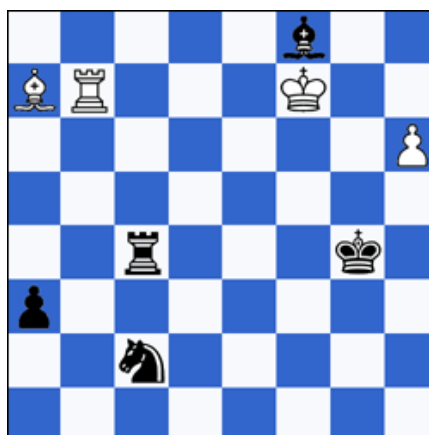
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The main goal of *Chess Informant* is to present chess players all over the world with the latest creative achievements. We have introduced many new columns and features since our very first issues. For instance, *Chess Informant* began publishing a section of problems and studies in Volume #89, edited by well known expert Yochanan Afek. This decision was perhaps unjustifiably overdue; however, with the release of [Volume #107](#), we have now published 171 examples.

It is our pleasure this month to present nine examples from Volume #107. By the way, in 1997 we published the book 2,345 - *Anthology of Chess Problems* by chess problem grandmasters Milan Velimirovic and Marjan Kovacevic. They selected 2,345 problems with mate in two, three, four, and five moves.

1. J. RUSINEK

Prize Probleemblad 2007/08
 White to Play and Draw



2. O. PERVAKOV

1st Pr. Vlasenko-70 JT 2009
 White to Play and Win



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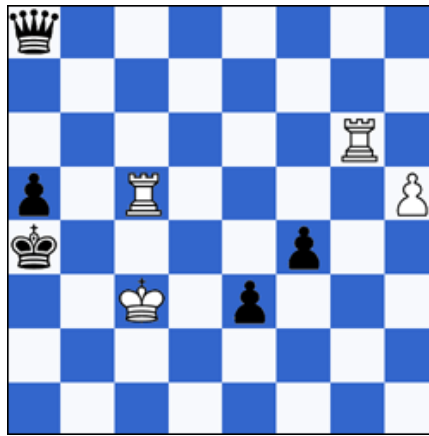
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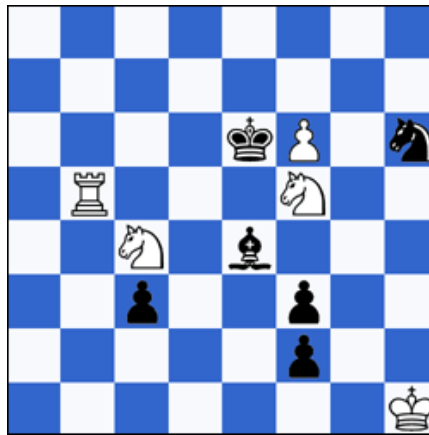


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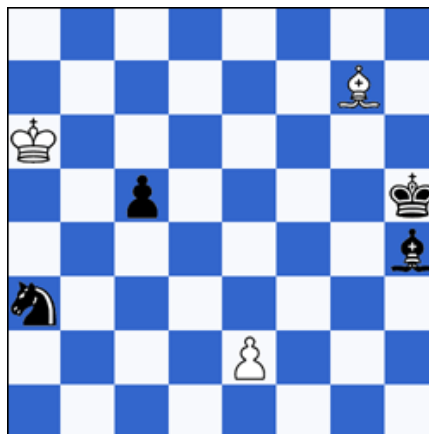
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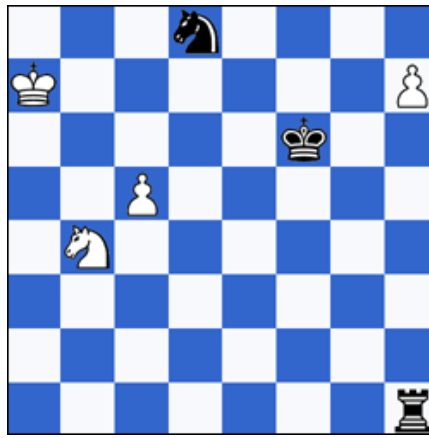
3. E. EJLAZJAN
2nd Pr. Vlasenko-70 JT 2009
 White to Play and Draw



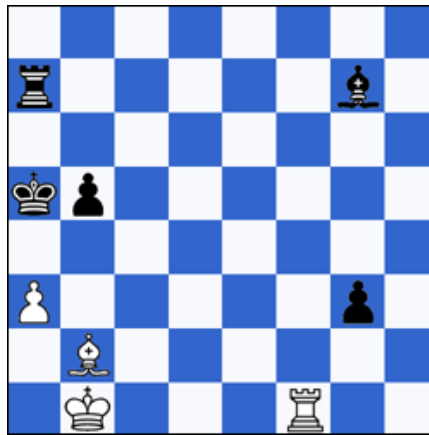
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3rd Pr. Vlasenko-70 JT 2009
 White to Play and Draw



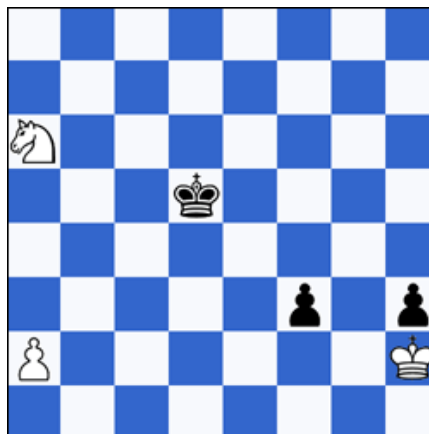
5. A. SOCHNEV
4th Pr. Vlasenko-70 JT 2009
 White to Play and Draw



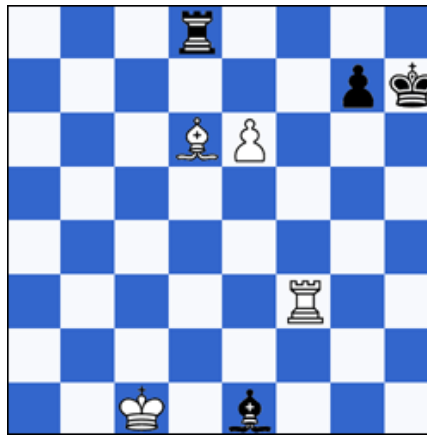
6. E. VLASAK
1st-2nd Pr. Reti MT 2009
 White to Play and Draw



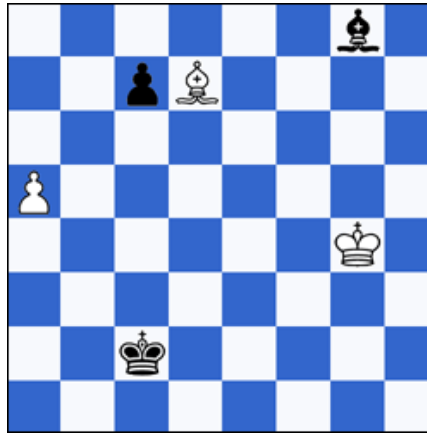
7. Y. AFEK
2nd HM Reti MT 2009
 White to Play and Win



8. N. RJABININ
1st-2nd Pl. Moscow (ch-open) 2009
 White to Play and Win



9. V. KALASHNIKOV
3rd Pl. Moscow (ch-open) 2009
 White to Play and Win



Solutions

1. J. RUSINEK

1.h7 Bg7 [1...a2 2.h8Q a1Q 3.Qa1 Na1 4.Kf8 equal] **2.Kg7 a2 3. Bd4** [3.h8Q? a1Q 4.Kh7 Qh1 and Black is winning] **Nd4** [main 3... Rd4 4.Ra7 Rd7! 5.Rd7 a1Q 6.Kg8 Qa8 7.Kg7 Qa1 8.Kg8 positional draw] **4.Ra7** [4.h8Q? a1Q 5.Qg8 Rc5! 6.Kh7 Rg5 7.Qc8 Kh4 and Black is winning] **Rc7! 5.Rc7 Nf5** [main 5...a1Q 6.h8Q Ne6 7.Kg8 Qa8 8.Kh7 Ng5 9.Kg7 Qa1 10.Kg8 Qa2 11.Kf8 Qa3 12.Re7 equal] **6.Kg8! Nh6 7.Kh8! a1Q 8.Rg7 Kf4** equal.

2. O. PERVAKOV

1.Rgg5!! [1.Rg1? Qh8] **f3!** [1...Qh8 2.Rge5 and White is winning; 1...e2 2.Ra5! and White is winning] **2.Rg4!** [2.Ra5? Qa5 3.Ra5 Ka5 4.Kd3 f2 5.Ke2 Kb4 6.h6 Kc3 7.h7 f1Q! 8.Kf1 Kd2 equal] **Ka3 3. Kc2! a4 4.Rc3 Ka2 5.Rb4 a3 6.Kc1!** [thr.7.Rc2 Ka1 8.Rb1#] **Qh8! 7.Rc2 Qb2 8.Rcb2!** [8.Rbb2!? ab2 9.Rb2 Ka3 10.Kd1 Kb2 11.h6 f2 equal] **ab2 9.Kc2!!** [9.Rb2? Ka3 equal] **b1Q 10.Rb1 f2! 11.h6 e2 12.Ra1! Ka1 13.h7 e1N!** [13...Ka2 14.h8Q e1N 15.Kc3 f1Q 16.Qa8 and White is winning] **14.Kb3 f1Q 15.h8Q Kb1 16.Qb2#.**

3. E. EJLAZJAN

1.Nd4 Kf7! [1...Kf6 2.Ne3 f1Q 3.Nf1 f2 4.Kh2 equal; 1...Kd7 2. Ne3 Ng4 3.Nf1 equal] **2.Ne3** [2.Nd6? Kg8 3.Rg5 Kh8 4.Rg1 fg1Q 5.Kg1 c2 and Black is winning] **Ng4!** [2...f1Q 3.Nf1 Ng4 4.Nf3 Bf3 5.Kg1 c2 6.Rc5 equal] **3.Nf1 Bd3 4.Rb7 Kf6 5.Ng3** [5.Rb6? Kg5 6. Nf3 Kf4 and Black is winning] **f1Q 6.Nf1 Be4! 7.Rb6 Ke5** [7...Kf7

8.Re6 c2 9.Nc2 Ke6 10.Nd4 Ke5 11.Nf3 equal] **8.Nf3! Bf3 9.Kg1 c2 10.Rb1! cb1Q** equal [10...cb1N 11.Nd2! Nd2 equal].

4. S. DIDUKH

1.Bf8! [1.Kb6? c4? 2.Kc5 Be7 3.Kd5 Bb4 and Black is winning] **Bf2 2.e3!!** [2.Kb6? c4 3.Ka5 Nc2 4.Kb5 c3 5.Kc4 Be1 6.Bg7 Ne3 7. Kd3 Nd5 8.Bf8 Nf4 9.Kc2 Ne6 10.Bb4 Nd4 11.Kd3 Nb5 and Black is winning] **Be3 3.Kb6 c4 4.Ka5 Nc2 5.Kb5 c3 6.Kc4 Bd2 7.Bg7 Ne3 8.Kd3 Nd5 9.Bc3! Bc3 10.Kc4** equal.

5. A. SOCHNEV

1.c6! Rh7 2.Kb8 [2.Kb6? Nf7 3.c7 Nd6 4.Kc6 Nc8 5.Kb7 Rh8 and Black is winning] **Rh8 3.c7 Nc6 4.Kb7 Na5 5.Kb6 Nc4 6.Kc5 Ne3 7.Kd6!!** [7.Kc6? Ke7 8.Kb7 Nf5 9.Nc6 Kf6 10.c8N Ke6 and Black is winning] **Nf5 8.Kd7 Ne7** [8...Rh7 9.Kc6 Ne7 10.Kb7 Rh8 11. Nd5 equal] **9.Nc6 Nc8 10.Nb4 Ne7 11.Nc6 Nc8 12.Nb4 Ke5** [II.12...Na7 13.Nd5 Ke5 14.Ne7 Rh7 15.Kd8 Kd6 (15...Nc6 16.Nc6 Kd6 17.c8N equal) 16.c8N equal] **13.Nd5!!** [13.Nd3? Kd5 14.Nf4 Kc5 15.Ne6 Kb5 16.Nd8 Nb6 and Black is winning] **Kd4** [13...Kd5 equal; 13...Rg8 14.Ne7 equal] **14.Ne7 Ne7 15.Ke7 Kd5 16.Kd7 Rh7 17.Kd8 Kd6 18.c8N** equal.

6. E. VLASAK

1.a4! [1.Rg1? Bb2 2.Kb2 Rg7 3.Rg2! Kb6 4.Kc3 Kc5 5.Kd3 Kd5 and White is winning, zugzwang] **Rb7!** [1...ba4 2.Rf5 Kb4 3.Rg5 equal; 1...Ka4 2.Rf4 b4 3.Rg4 equal; 1...Bb2 2.Kb2 ba4 3.Rf5 Kb4 4.Rg5] **2.Bg7 ba4!** [2...Rg7 3.ab5 equal] **3.Bb2! a3 4.Rf5** [4.Ka2? a) 4...Rb2? 5.Ka3 Rf2 6.Ra1 (6.Re1? Rf3 7.Kb2 Kb4) Rf3 7.Kb2 Kb4 8.Kc2 Kc4 9.Kd2 Kd4 10.Ra4 equal; b) 4...ab2! 5.Kb1 Rb4! (5...Rb3 6.Rf8 Kb4 7.Rb8 Kc3 8.Rb3 Kb3 equal) 6.Rf3 Rg4 7.Rf1 Kb4 8.Kb2 Kc4 9.Kc2 Kd4 10.Kd2 Ke4 11.Ke2 Rf4 and Black is winning] **Ka4 5.Rf4 Ka5 6.Rf5** [6.Ka2? ab2 7.Kb1 Rb4! and Black is winning] **Ka6 7.Rf6!** [7.Ka2? ab2 8.Kb1 Rb3 9.Rf8 Kb7 and Black is winning] **Ka7 8.Ka2! ab2 9.Kb1 Rb3!** [9...Rb4 10.Rf3 Rg4 11.Rf1 Kb6 12.Kb2 Kc5 13.Kc3 equal] **10.Rf4!!** [10.Rc6? Rb6 11.Rc2 Kb7 12.Rg2 Rb3 and Black is winning] **Kb6 11.Rc4!** equal.

7. Y. AFEK

1.Kg3!! [1.Kh3? Kc4! 2.Kg3 Kb5 3.Nc7 Kb4 4.Nd5 Ka3 5.Nc3 Kb2 6.a4 Kc3 7.a5 Kd4! 8.a6 Ke3 9.a7 f2 equal] **h2! 2.Kh2 Kc4 3. Kg1! Kb5 4.Nc7 Kb4 5.Nd5 Ka3 6.Nc3 Kb2 7.a4! Kc3 8.a5 Kd4! 9.a6 Ke3 10.Kf1** and White is winning.

8. N. RJABININ

1.e7 Rc8 2.Kd1! Bh4 3.Rh3! [3.Rf8? Be7 4.Rc8 Bd6 equal] **g5 4. Rf3! g4 5.Rf7! Kg6 6.Rf8 Be7 7.Rc8 Bd6 8.Rc6** and White is winning.

9. V. KALASHNIKOV

1.a6 Bd5 2.Bc8 Bc4 3.a7 Bd5 4.Kf4! Kc3 5.Bg4! [5.Ke5? Ba8! 6. Ke6 Kb4 7.Kd7 c5! 8.Kc7 c4 9.Bb7 c3 10.Ba8 c2 equal] **Ba8 6.Bf3 c6 7.Ke5 Kb4 8.Kd6 Ka5 9.Kc7 Ka6 10.Kb8 Bb7 11.Bg4! c5 12. Bc8** and White is winning.

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