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### Chess Mazes

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In the fall of 2004, popular chess author Bruce Alberston released a book called [Chess Mazes](#), designed to help students to develop their visualization and planning skills. *Chess Mazes* was an instant success and **ChessCafe.com** was delighted when Bruce agreed to offer a new *Chess Maze* puzzle each week.

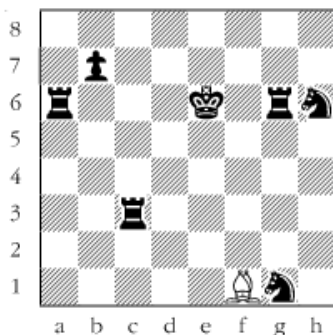
The concept is simple enough: the object is to place the black king in check in the shortest number of moves. The one restriction is that the white piece may not put itself *en prise*, i.e., on a square where it can be captured.

For those who may be interested in a more detailed introduction and overview to these puzzles, we invite you to take a look at the introduction from Bruce's book. Click [here](#) to read more, otherwise, we hope you enjoy this week's *Chess Maze* puzzle...

## A Bishop Maze

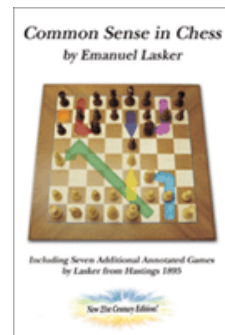
Bishop to check the king using the fastest route. You can capture but don't allow the bishop to be taken.

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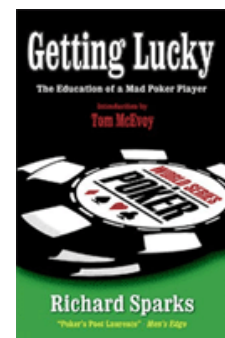
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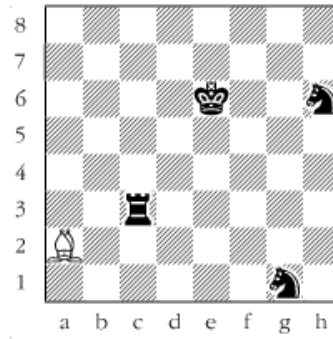
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1 Bb5 2 Be8 3 Bxg6 4 Be4 5 Bxb7 6 Bxa6 7 Bb7 8 Be4 9 Bb1 10 Ba2+.

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