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Step by Step: Tactics

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Step by Step: Tactics is designed to improve your basic tactical skills. For best results, play the position out over-the-board and think for as long as you need without moving the pieces. You can also print out this page and use it as a workbook exercise in a classroom setting.

After the moves **1.d4 d5 2.c4 Bf5 3.cxd5 Bxb1 4.Qa4+ c6 5.Rxb1 Qxd5 6.Nf3 Nf6 7.a3 Qa2 8.Qc2 e6 9.Nd2 Bxa3**, how did White win a piece?



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Hint: Pin

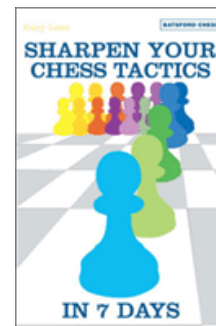
Circle the type of tactics that were involved in this puzzle:

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| Checkmate | Fork |
| Deflection | Pin |
| Discovered Attack | Removing the Guard |
| Double Attack | Skewer |
| En Prise | Trapped Piece |

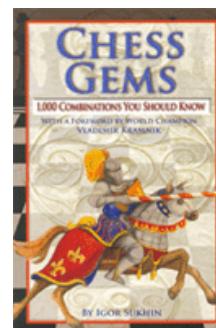
Source Game: Gheorghiu,F (2462) - Elstner,H (2126)

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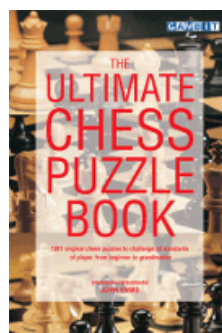
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