

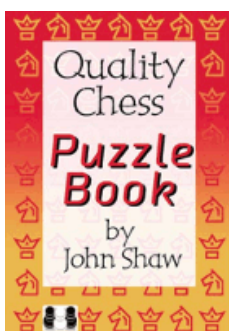


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## Step by Step: Tactics

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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.e4 e5 2.Nf3 d6 3.Bc4 Be7 4.c3 Nf6 5.d3 0-0 6.Bb3 Nbd7 7.0-0 Re8**, what tactical shot caused Black to resign?



[FEN "r1bqr1k1/ppnbppp/3p1n2/4p3/4P3/1BPP1N2/PP3PPP/RNBQ1RK1 w - - 0 8"]

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

**Source Game: De la Paz,F (2437) - Wohl,A (2418) XXXVI Capablanca Mem Premier II Havana CUB (12), 18.05.2001**

**Answer: 8.Bxf7+ 1-0** As 8...Kh8 9.Bxe8 loses the exchange, and 8...Kxf7 9.Ng5+ Kg8 10.Ne6 traps the black queen.

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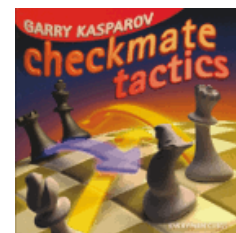
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