

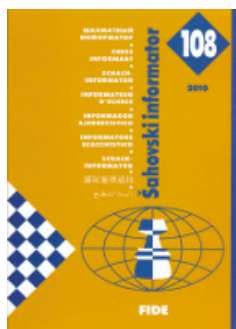


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Step by Step: Tactics

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After the moves **1.d4 d5 2.e3 Nf6 3.Bd3 e6 4.f4 c5 5.c3 b6 6.Nf3 Ba6 7. Bxa6**, why did Black resign?



[FEN "r1lqkb1r/p4ppp/Bp2pn2/2pp4/3P1P2/2P1PN2/PP4PP/RNBQK2R b KQkq - 0 7"]

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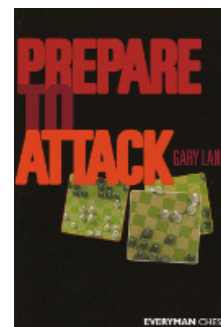
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Answer: After 7...Nxa6, White wins a piece with the fork 8.Qa4+.

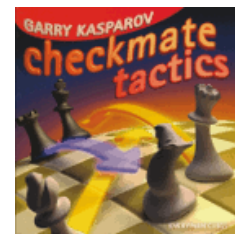
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