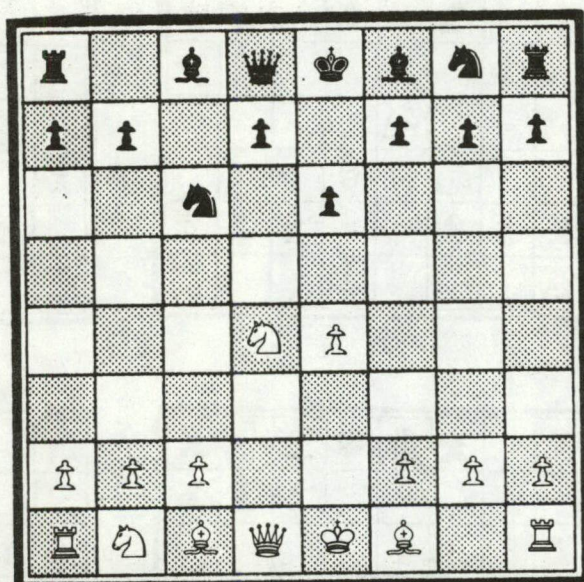
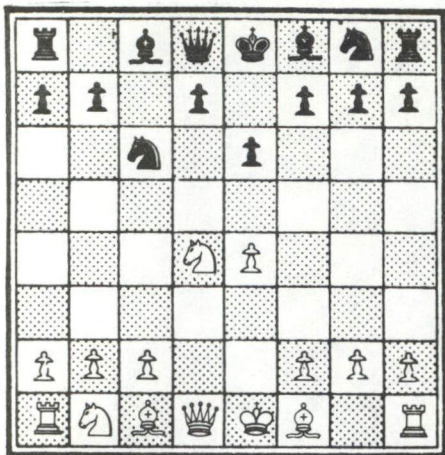


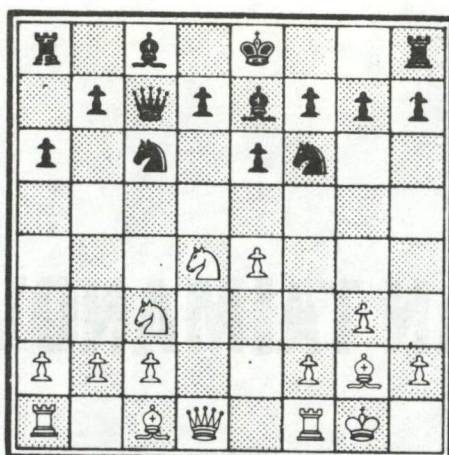
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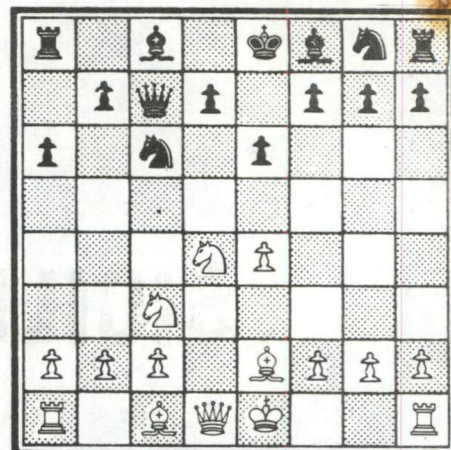




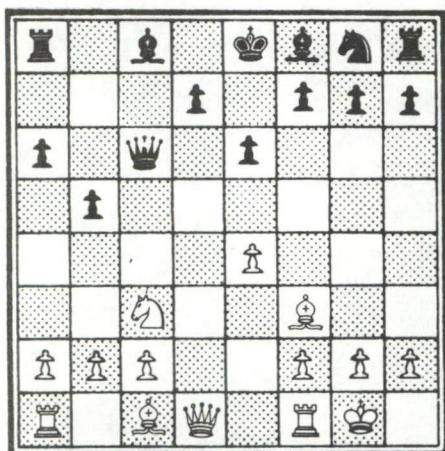
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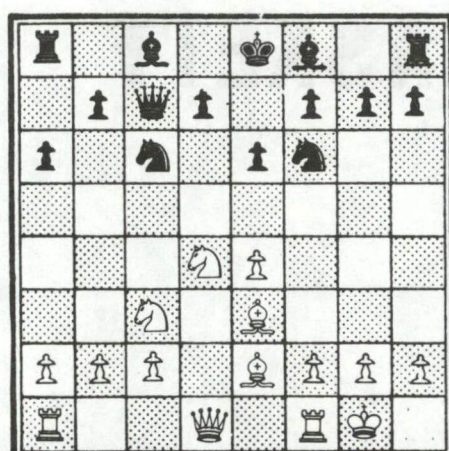
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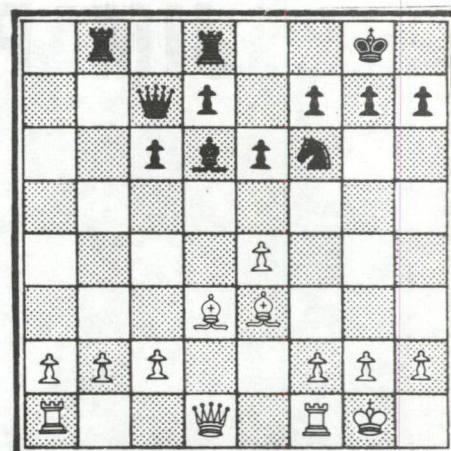
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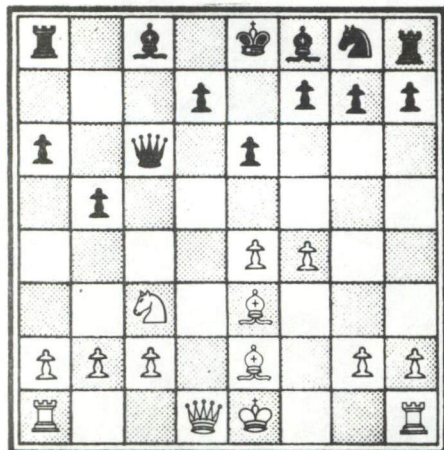
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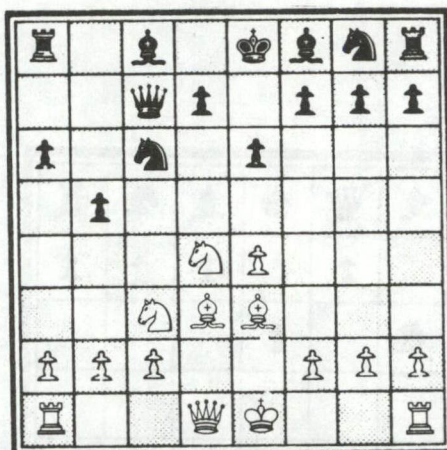
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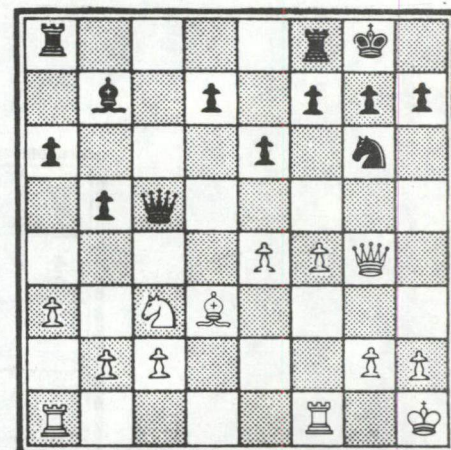
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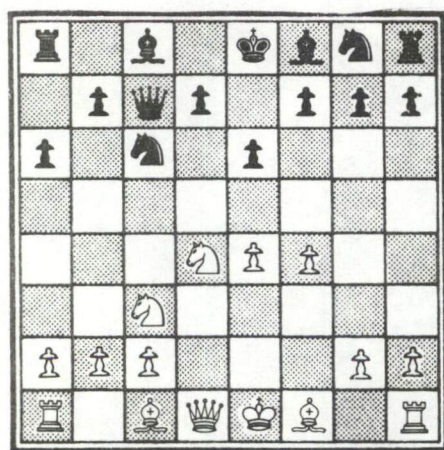
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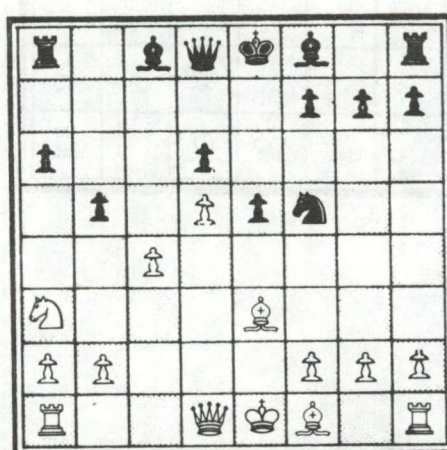
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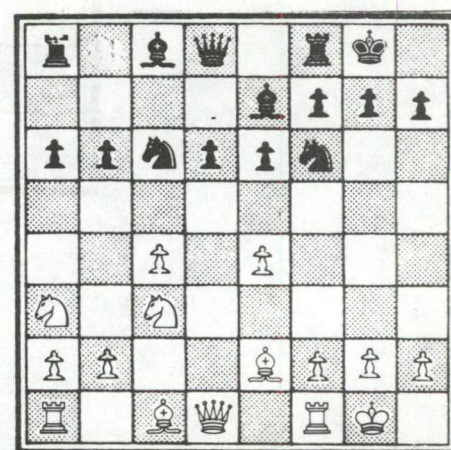
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Sicilian TaimanovLayout of TapesTape 1, Side 1

Time	Tape Count	Subject
000	000	Introduction
4.00	083	5Nc3 (1) 5 ... Qc7 (11)5 ... a6
4.00	099	5 ... Qc7
5.00	139	6 g3 a6
17.00	320	Spassky - Ribli 6 Be2 a6 7 0-0 <u>b5</u> Velimirovic - Vasiukov 1974
23.00	430	7 ... Nf6 Flaskett-Fuster Janachek - Andersson
27.00	464	Long Variation
32.00	551	Smeikal - Karpov
37.00	612	Tal Liberzon
39.00	630	7 f4 <u>b5</u>
44.00	687	End of Side 1.

Side 2

2.00	050	Janosevic - Taimanov
4.00	090	
6.00	126	6 Be3 a6 7 Be2 b5 8 Nxc6 Qxc6 9 f4 <u>Ba3</u>
15.00	305	6 Be3 a6 7 Bd3 b5
17.00	333	8 Nxc6
21.00	390	Minic - Taimanov
24.00	440	Three line set up
27.00	496	Liaw - Flaskett Liberzon - Korchnoy Gheorghiu - Stein <u>End of Main Systems</u>

Time	tape count	Subject
Tape 1, Side 2 cont'd. -----		
29.00	511	Other lines
30.00	530	Planinc - Karpov 7 Nxc6 Qxc6
32.00	560	Soltis - Plaskett 1979
36.00	600	<u>5 Nb5 line</u>
38.00	624	6 Bf4
40.00	652	Karaklaic - Lee (G.D.)
42.00	674	Fischer - Pachman
44.00	694	End of Tape 1, Side 2.
Tape 2, Side 1 -----		
000	000	6 Nc3
3.00	072	<u>6 c4</u> (Maroczy set up) Tchesskovsky-Kasparov
10.00	200	Plaskett - Niklasson (12 .. Bd7)
12.00	238	Tal - Polugaeusky Karpov - Andersson
18.00	331	Gufeld - Kasparov Karlsson - Plaskett (Bc7)
27.00	435	6 Be2 <u>Nge7</u> line
29.30	470	End of Tape 2, side 1
Side 2 -----		
00.30	015	7 Bf4 Ng6
4.00	096	Adorian - G. Garcia
5.00	120	Beliavsky - Taimanov
11.00	210	Lank - Taimanov
13	240	7 Nb3 Na5 Sibarevic - Taimanov
16	300	7 Nb3 Ng6 Jansa - Taimanov
20	350	7 Be3 Martin - Taimanov
22	370	7 f4 (Tal - Taimanov)
24	390	7 0-0 (Plaskett-Speelman) Kuzmin - Taimanov

Taimanov Games

1. Planinc - Matulovic Ursac 1975

6. g3 a6 7. Bg2 Sf6 8. 0-0 Be7 9. Re1 Sxd4 10. Qxd4 Bc5
11. Qd1 d6 12. Be3 e5 13. Qd2 Be6 14. Rad1 Ke7 15. a3 Rac8
16. h3 Rhd8 17. f4 b5 18. f5 Bd7 19. g4 h6 20. h4 Bxe3ch
21. Rxe3 Bc6 22. Bf3 a5 23. g5? hxg5 24. Hxg5 Sh7!
25. Bh5 b4 26. axb4 axb4 27. Sa2 Sxg5 28. Rd1-e1 Rh8
29. Bg4 f6 30. Sxb4 Rh4 31. Qg2 Rc8-h8 32. Sxc6 Qxc6
33. R/e1-e2 Qb6 34. b3 Qd4 35. Re1 Sxe4

2. Bonfa - Plaskett Malta 1980

not needed

3. Spassky - Ribli

1. e4 c5 2. Nc3 Nc6 3. Nf3 e6 4. d4 cxd 5. Nxd4 Qc7
6. g3 a6 7. Bg2 Nf6 8. 0-0 Be7 9. Nde2 0-0 10. a3 d6
11. h3 b5 12. g4 Re8 13. g5 Nd7 14. f4 a5 15. f5 Ba6
16. Be3 Bf8 17. Nf4 Nde5 18. Rf2 Nc4 19. BC1 Drawn.

4. Velimirovic - Vasiukov, USSR Yugoslavia 1974

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 e6 5. Nc3 Qc7
6. Be2 a6 7. 0-0 b5?! 8. Nxc6 Qxc6 9. Bf3 Bb7 10. Bf4 d6
11. Re1 e5 12. a4! b4 13. Nd5 exf4 14. c3! a fine move
14. ... b3 15. e5 0-0-0 16. Qxb3 Kb8 17. Nb4 Ad7 18. Bxb7
Kxb7 19. Nd5+ Ka8 20. Nb6+ch Ka7 21. Nxd7 Rxd7
22. Rad1 1-0 A crippling smash.

5. Plaskett - Fuster, New York 1980

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 Qc7
6. Be2 a6 7. 0-0 Sf6 8. Be3 b5 9. Sxc6 dxc6 10. f4 Bb7
11. e5 Sd5 12. Sxd5 cxd5 13. Bd4 Bc5 14. c3 0-0 15. a4 b4

16. Rc1 Qb6 17. Bxc5 Qxc5ch 18. Qd4 Qxd4 19. cxd4 Rfc8
 20. a5 Bc6 21. Kf2 Bb5 22. Bxb5 axb5 23. Rxc8ch Rxc8
 24. Ra1 b3 25. a6 Ra8 26. a7 Kf8 27. g4 Ke7 28. h4 Kd7
 29. f5 Ke8 30. Ra6 Ke7 31. Kf3 exf5 32. gxf5 Kd7 33. Ke3 Kc7
 34. Kf4 Kb7 35. Ra3 Kb6 36. e6 f6 37. e7 Kb7 38. h5 h6
 39. Ra1 b4 40. Kg4 1-0

6. Janachek - Andersson, Clare Benedict 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 Qc7
 6. Be2 a6 7. 0-0 Sf6 8. Be3 b5?! 9. Sxc6 dxc6 10. f4 Bb7
 11. e5 Rd8!? 12. Qe1 Sd7 13. Qg3 g6 14. Se4 c5 15. Sg5 Bg7
 16. Sxf7?! (16. a4!; 16. Qh3!) 16. ... Kxf7 17. f5 Sxe5
 18. fxg6ch Kg8 19.. Rf7 Rd7 20. Bf4 Qc6! 21. Rxg7 Rxg7
 22. Bxe5 Rxg6 23. Bf3 Rxg3 24. Bxc6 Rg5 25. Bf6 Rg6
 26. Bxb7 Rxf6 27. Bxa6 b4 28. a4 bxa3ep 29. Rxa3 Kg7
 30. Bd3 Rd8 31. Ra7 Rf7 32. Rxf7ch Kxf7 33. Bxh7 Rd2
 34. Kf1 Kf6 35. Be4 Ke5 36. Ke1 Rd8 37. Bd3 Kd4 38. h4 Rh8
 39. g3 Ke3 40. Bg6 Ra8 41. Kf1 Kf3 42. Ke1 e5 43. h5 e4
 44. h6 Ra1ch 45. Kd2 Rh1 46. h7 e3ch 47. Kd3 Kf2 0-1

7. Smeikal - Karpov 1973

14. Bd3 Bd6 15. Kh1 Be5 16. c3 Rb2 17. Qc1 Ng4 18. f4 Ne3
 19. Qb2 Bf4 20. Qf2 Nf1 21. Rf1 e5 22. g3 Qd6 23. Be2 Bg5
 24. Qf7 Kh8 25. a4 Be7 26. a5 Rf8 27. Qc4 Rf1 28. Bf1 Qf6
 29. Kg2 Qf8 30. Be2 Bc5 31. Bg4 Qf2 32. Kh3 d6 33. Bd7 g6
 34. Bc6 Kg7 35. Bb5 Qb2 36. a6 Bg1 37. Qe2 Qc3 38. Bc4 Qc1
 39. Qf1 Qh6 40. Kg2 Qh2 41. Kf3 Qh5 42. Kg2 Qh2 43. Kf3 Bd4
 44. Bd5 Bc5 45. Bc6 Bd4 46. Bb7 g5! 47. Kg4 h5 48. Kf5 Qg3
 49. Ke6 Qf2 50. Qb5 Qf6 51. Kd5 g4 52. Bc8 Qe7 53. Bf5 Kh6
 54. Qf1 Qc7 55. Qe2 Qc5 56. Ke6 Kg5 57. Qf1 Qa3 58. Qe2 Bc5
 59. Qd2 Qe3 60. Qa5 Bb6 61. Qa2 Qf2 62. Qb1 g3 63.. Bh3 Kh4
 64. Bg2 Qg1 65. Qg1 Bg1 66. Kd6 Bd4 67. a7 Ba7 68. Ke5 Kg4
 69. Kd5 h4 70. e5 h3 71. Bh3 Kh3 72. e6 Bc5 0-1.

8. Tal - Liberzon, Skara 1980

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 Qc7
 6. Be2 a6 7. 0-0 Sf6 8. Be3 Bb4 9. Sa4 0-0 10. Sxc6 bxc6
 11. Sb6 Rb8 12. Sxc8 Rfxc8 13. Bxa6 Rd8 14. Bd3 Bd6
 15. Kh1 Be5 16. c3 Rxb2 17. Qc1 Sg4 18. f4 Nxe3 19. Qxb2 Bxf4
 20. Qf2 Sxf1 21. Rxf1 g5 22. g3 Qd6 23. Be2 Be5 24. Qxf7ch
 Kh8 25. Rd1 Qc7 26. Bg4 d5! 27. Qxe6 Bxc3 28. exd5 cxd5
 29. Bf3 Qe5 30. Qxe5 Bxe5 31. Bxd5 Kg7 32. Kg2 g4 33. a4 Bc3
 34. h3 gxh3ch 35. Kxh3 Ba5 36. Kg4 Rd6 37. Kf5 Bc7 38. Rd3 Rg6 $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

9. Liaw - Plaskett, Skien 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 a6
 6. Be3 Qc7 7. Bd3 b5 8. Sb3 d6 9. f4 Nf6 10. Qf3 Bb7
 11. 0-0 Be7 12. Rae1 Sb4 13. a3 Sxd3 14. cxd3 Rc8 15. Rc1 Qd7
 16. Sd4 g6 17. Qe2 e5 18. Sf3 Sg4 19. Kh1 Sxe3 20. Qxe3 exf4
 21. Qxf4 0-0 22. Sd4 Rc5 23. Qg3 Rg5 24. Qf4 Rh5 25. Qf3 Bd8
 26. Rc2 a5? 27. Re2 b4? 28. axb4 axb4 29. Sd5 Bxd5 30. exd5
 Bb6 31. Sc6 Re8?? 32. Rxe8 Qxe8 33. Qf6 Rf5 34. Se7ch Qxe7
 35. Rxf5 Qb7 36. Rf1 Qxd5 37. Rd1?? Bd4! 38. Qf3 Qxf3
 39. gxf3 Bxb2 40. Kg2 Bc3 41. Rc1 Kg7 42. Rc2 Kf6 43. f4 Ke6

44. Ra2 b3 45. Ra3 b2 46. Rb3 Kd5 47. Kf3 Kd4 48. Ke2 f6
 49. Rb8 g5 50. fxg5 fxg5 51. Rb6 d5 52. Rb7 g4 53. Rb3 h5
 54. Rb7 h4 55. Rb5 g3 56. hxg3 hxg3 57. Kf3 g2 58. Kxg2 Ke3
 59. Kf1 d4 60. Rb3 Kxd3 0-1

10. Liberzon - Korchnoy, USSR Championship 1960

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 Sc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 e6 5. Sc3 Qc7
 6. Be3 a6 7. Bd3 b5 8. Sb3 d6 9. f4 Sf6 10. Qf3 Be7
 11. 0-0 Bb7 12. a3 Rd8! 13. Qh3 Bc8! 14. Qg3 0-0 15. Rae1
 Kh8 16. Sd4 Sxd4 17. Bxd4 e5! 18. fxe5 dxe5 19. Be3 Be6
 20. Qf3 Bc5 21. Kh1 Bxe3 22. Rxe3 Rd4 23. Qe2 Sd7
 24. Rg3 Sc5 25. Qe3 f6 26. Bxb5? Qb7! 27. b4 Sxe4
 28. Sxe4½ Rxe4 0-1

11. Gheorghiu - Stein, Moscow 1971 3-line set up

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 Qc7
 6. Be3 a6 7. Bd3 b5 8. Sb3 d6 9. f4 Sf6 10. Qf3 Be7
 11. 0-0 Bb7 13. Rae1 Sb4 14. a3 Sxd3 15. cxd3 Rc8 16. Qh3 0-0
 17. Qg3 e5! 18. Fxe5 dxe5 19. Bh6 Se8 20. Sd5 Bxd5 21. exd5
 Qb6ch 22. Be3 Qd6 23. Bd2 Sc7 24. d4 Sxd5 25. dxe5 Qe6
 26. Bg5 Bxg5 27. Qxg5 Rc2 28. Rd1 Rxb2 29. Sc5 Qc6
 30. Se4 h6 31. Qg3Qb6ch 32. Kh1 Qg6 33. e6? Qxe4
 34. Rde1 Re2 0-1

12. Soltis - Plaskett, New York 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Sc3 Sc6 3. Sge2 e6 4. d4 cxd4 5. Sxd4 Qc7
 6. f4 a6 7. Sf3 Bc5 8. Bd3 Sge7 9. Qe2 Sd4 10. Sxd4 Bxd4
 11. Sd1 0-0 12. c3 Ba7 13. Be3 Bxe3 14. Qxe3 d6
 15. Sf2 Bd7 16. 0-0 Rac8 17. Rfd1 Qc5 18. Qxc5 Rxc5
 19. Be2 d5 20. Sd3 Rc7 21. Se5 Ba4 22. Rd4 Bc6 23. Rad1 f6
 24. Sxc6 Sxc6 25. Ra4 dxe4 26. Rxe4 e5 27. Bc4ch Kh8
 28. Fxe5 Sxe5 29. Bd5 g6 30. Rb4 Rd8 31. R/d1-d4 b5
 32. Bb3 R/c7-d7 33. Be6 Rd6 34. Rxd6 Rxd6 35. Bc8 Rd1ch
 36. Kf2 Rd8 37. Bxa6 Sd3ch 38. Ke3 Scb4 39. cxb4 Ra8
 40. Bxb5 Rxa2 41. b3 Rxg2 42. Bc4 Rxh2 43. b5 f5 44. b6 Rh4
 45. b7 Re4ch 46. Kd3 Re8 47. Kd4 f4 48. Kd5 f3 49. Kd6 f2
 50. Kd7 Rf8 51. Kc7 h5 52. b8Q Rxb8 53. Kxb8 h4 54. Bf1 g5
 55. b4 g4 56. Kc7 h3 57. b5 h2 0-1.

13. Planinc - Karpov, Madrid 1973

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 a6
 6. f4 Qc7 7. Sxc6 Qxc6 8. Bd3 b5 9. Qe2 Bb7 10. Bd2 Bc5
 11. Qg4 g6 12. a3 f5 13. exf5 exf5 14. Qe2+ Kf7 15. 0-0-0
 Re8 16. Qf1 Nf6 17. a4 Qg2 18. Qg2 Bg2 19. Rhe1 b4
 20. Na2 a5 21. Kb1 Bf3 22. Rc1 Ne4 23. Be4 Be4 24. Ka1 d5
 25. Be3 Be3 26. Re3 d4 27. Re2 Bc6 28. Rd2 Re4 29. Rcd1 Ba4
 30. b3 Bc6 31. Rd4 Rd4 32. Rd4 Re8 33. Rc4 Re1+ 34. Kb2 Be4
 35. Nc1 Rh1 36. Rc7+ Kg8 37. Ne2 Rh2 38. Nd4 h5 39. Ne6 h4
 40. Ng5 h3 41. Rc8+ Kg7 42. Rc7+ Kf8 0-1

13A. Hort - Andersson, Amsterdam 1978

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sb5 d6
6. Bf4 e5 7. Be3 a6 8. S/5-c3 Sf6 9. Sa3 b5 10. sd5 Rb8!?
11. Sxf6ch Qxf6 12. Bd3 Be7 13. 0-0 0-0 14. Sb1 Bd8
15. Sc3 Se7 16. Qd2 h6 17. a4 b4 18. Se2 a5 19. Bc4 Bc7
20. Rad1 Bb7 21. Sg3 Rbd8 22. f4 d5 23. fxe5 Qxe5 24. Bd4 Qg5
25. Qxg5 hxg5 26. exd5 Bxd5 27. Bb5 $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

14. Tcheskovsky - Kasparov, USSR Champ. 1978-79

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nc6 5. Nb5 d6
6. c4 Nf6 7. N/1c3 a6 8. Na3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 b6
11. Be3 Ne5 (The start of a regrouping manouvre to d7 (possibly to g6!?) 11. ... Bb7 or 11. ... Bd7!? are more often seen).
12. f4 Ned7 13. Bf3 Bb7 14. Qe2 Qc7 15. Rac1 Rac8 16. g4
(An overly aggressive attempt to exploit the time it took black to regroup) 16. ... Nc5 17. Qg2 d5 (The classical central reaction to a flank thrust). The curious gambit 17. ... g5!? 18. Nxc3 Nfd7 winning the e5 square is recommended by Kasparov as unclear. Really!?!)
18. e5 Nfe4 19. cxd5 exd5 20. b4 Nxc3 21. Rxc3 d4 22. Bxd4 Qd7
23. Nc2 Bxf3 24. Rcf3 Ne6 with compensation 25. Be3 f5 26. exf6 Bxf6
27. Kh1 Qd5 28. a3 Qc4 29. f5 Qc2 30. Qxc2 Rxc2 31. fxe6 Rc6 32. a4. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$
15. Flasket - Niklasson, Ramsgate 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sb5 d6
6. c4 Sf6 7. S/1-c3 a6 8. Sa3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 b6
11. Be3 Bd7!? 12. Qd2 Qb8 13. g4!? Rc8 14. g5 Ne8 15. f4 Ra7
16. Rac1 Rac7 17. Bd3 Sb4 18. Bb1 b5 19. axb5 axb5 20. f5 e5
21. Sc2 d5 22. exd5 Sxc2 23. Bxc2 Bb4 24. g6!? Sf6 25. gxf7ch
Kf8 26. Bb3 Qa8 27. h3 Qa5 28. Qg2? Bc3 29. bxc3 Rxc3
30. Rxc3 Qxc3 31. Bg5 Qc5ch 32. Kh2!? Qd6 33. Bxf6 Qxf6
34. Rg1Bxf5 35. Qg5 Qe5 36. d6 e3 37. Qe7ch Qxe7 38. dxe7ch
Kxe7 39. Rxc7 Rc1ch 40. Rg1 Rxc1ch 41. Kxc1 Bxc1 42. a3 h5
43. Bd5 h4 44. Bc6 e2 45. Kf2 Bf1 46. a4 bxa4 47. Bxa4 Kxf7??
48. Bd7 Kf6 49. Bg4 Kg5 50. Bxe2 Bxe2 51. Kxe2 drawn. $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

16. Tal - Polugausky

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nd4 Nc6 5. Nb5 d6
6. c4 Nf6 7. N1c3 a6 8. Na3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 b6
11. Be3 Ne5 12. f3 Bb7 13. Qe1 Re8 14. Qf2 Ned7 15. Rfd1 Qc7
16. Rac1 Rac8 17. Kh1 Qb8 18. g4 h6 19. h4 Nh7 20. Bf4 g5
21. hxg5 hxg5 22. Bg3 Nf8 23. Qh2 Ne5 24. Qh6 Nfg6 25. Kg2 Qc7
26. Rh1 Bf6 27. Nc2? Qe7 28. Ne3 Nh4 29. Kf2 Neg6 30. Rcd1 Bg7
31. Qh5 Be5 32. Bxh4 Gxh4 33. Ng2 Bg3 $\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{2}$

17. Karpov - Andersson, Milan 1975

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Nb5 d6
6. c4 Sf6 7. S/1-c3 a6 8. Sa3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 b6
11. Be3 Bb7!? 12. Rc1 Re8!? 13. Qb3 Sd7 14. Rfd1 Rc8
15. Rd2 Qc7 16. Qd1 Qb8 17. f3 Ba8 18. Qf1 N/c6-e5
19. Sa3-b1 Sf6 20. Kh1 h6 21. Rd2-d1 Bf8 22. Sd2 Rc-d8
23. Qf2 Sed7 24. a3 d5!? 25. exd5 exd5 26. cxd5 Bd6
27. Sf1 Rxe3!! 28. Sxe3 Bxh2 29. Sf1 Bf4 30. Rc2 b5!

31. Bd3 Sb6 32. Be4 Sc4 33. a4 Re8 34. axb5 axb5 35. Re2 Be5
 36. Qc5 Sd6 37. Sa2 S/d6xe4 38. fxe4 Bd6 39. Qc2 Re5
 40. g3 Qe8 41. R/d1-e1 Bb7 42. Kg1 Sh7! 43. Sc1 Sg5 44. Sd2
 Bb4 45. Kf2 Bxd2 46. Rxd2 Sxe4ch 47. Rxe4 Rxe4 48. Se2 Bc8
 49. Sc3 Re1 50. Se2 Ra1 51. Rd4 Qd8 52. Qc6 Bd7 53. Qd6 Qe8
 54. Qf4 Qc8 55. B4 Bh3 56. Qe4 Bf5 57. Qe3 Qc2 58. g4 Bd7
 59. Qe4 Qb3 60. Qd3 Qb2 61. Qe4 Ra8 62. Qe3 Ra2 63. d6 Ra8
 64. Re4 Bc6 65. Qd4 Qb1 66. Re7 Qh1 67. Qf4 Qg2 68. Ke1 Ra1
 69. Kd2 Qd5 70. Qd4 Ra2 71. Kc3 Qf3 72. Re3 Ra3 73. Kd2 Ra2
 74. Ke1 Qh1 75. Kf2 Qg2 76. Ke1 Qh1ch 77. Kf2 Ra1 78. Rc3 Qg2
 79. Ke3 Qf3 0-1

18. Gufeld - Kasparov

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nd4 Nc6 5. Nb5 d6 6. c4 Nf6
 7. N1c3 a6 8. Na3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 b6 11. Be3 Ne5
 12. Qb3 Ned7 13. Rfd1 Qc7 14. F3 Bb7 15. Kh1 Rac8 16. Rd2 Nc5
 17. Qd1 Rfd8 18. Rc1 Qb8 19. Qg1 d5 20. exd5 exd5 21. Rcd1
 dxc4 22. Rd8 Rd8 23. Rd8 Qd8 24. Nc4 Qc7 25. a4 Nd5 26. Nd5
 Bd5 27. Qd1 Be6 28. Qd4 Bf6 29. Qd6 Qd6 30. Nd6 Na4
 31. Ba6 Be7 32. Ne4 f5 33. Nc3 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

19. Karlsson - Flaskett, Hallsberg 1978

1. d4 Sf6 2. c4 c5 3. Sf3 cd 4. Sxd4 b6 5. Sc3 Bb7
 6. f3 e6 7. 7. e4 d6 8. Be3 Be7 9. Be2 0-0 10. 0-0 Sbd7
 11. Qd2 a6 12. Rfd1 Qc7 13. Rac1 Rac8 14. Qe1 Rfe8 15. Qf2
 Qb8 16. a3 Bd8! 17. B4 Bc7 18. Sa4 Se5 19. Sb3 d5!?
 20. exd5 Sxc4! 21. Rxc4 Bxh2ch 22. Kf1 Rxc4 23. Bxc4 b5
 24. dxe6 bxc4 25. exf7ch Kxf7 26. S/b3-c5 Kg8 27. Sxb7 Qxb7 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

20. Adorian - G. Garcia, Banja Luka 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nxd4 Nc6 5. Nc3 a6
 6. Be2 Nge7 7. Bf4 Ng6 8. Nc6 bxc6 9. Bd6 Bd6 10. Qd6 Qe7
 11. 0-0-0 Qd6 12. Rd6 Kd8 13. Rhd1 Kc7 14. g3 f6 15. Na4 Ne5
 16. Nc5 Kb6 17. B4 a5 18. Na4 Kc7 19. b5 cxb5 20. Bb5 Ra7
 21. f4 Nf7 22. R6d4 d6 23. R1d3 Bb7 24. Rc4 Kb8 25. Nb6 Rd8
 26. Nd7 Ka8 27. Rb3 d5 28. exd5 exd5 29. Rc7 Nd6 30. Ba4 d4
 31. Nb6 Kb8 32. Rg7 1-0

21. Beliavsky - Taimanov, Leningrad 1977

1. e4 c5 2. Nf3 Nc6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Nd4 e6 5. Nc3 a6
 6. Be2 Nge7 7. Bf4 Ng6 8. Nc6 bxc6 9. Bd6 Qb6 10. 0-0 c5
 11. Bf8 Rf8 12. Qd2 Ra7 13. f4 Rc7 14. e5 Bb7 15. Bf3 Nh4
 16. Bb7 Qb7 17. Rae1 Nf5 18. B3 h5 19. Ne4 c4 20. Kh1 h4
 21. Rf3 f6 22. Nd6 Nd6 23. ed6 Rc5 24. bxc4 Kf7 25. Qf2 Rc4
 26. Qh4 Rc2 27. F5 e5 28. Rg3 Kg8 $\frac{1}{2}$ - $\frac{1}{2}$

22. Martin - Taimanov, Montilla 1977

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cd 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 a6 6. Be2
 Sge7 7. Be3 Sxd4 8. Qxd4 b5 9. f4 Sc6 10. Qd2 Be7 11. 0-0-0
 Qa5 12. e5 b4 13. Se4 Qxa2 14. Sd6ch Bxd6 15. Qxd6 Qa1ch
 16. Kd2 Qxb2 17. Bc5 Qc3ch 18. Kc1 b3 19. Bd3 Rb8 20. Rhe1 Rb5
 21. Ba3 Sb4 22. Re2 b2ch 0-1

23. Flaskett - Speelman, Aaranson Mashers 1979

1. e4 c5 2. Sf3 e6 3. d4 cxd4 4. Sxd4 Sc6 5. Sc3 a6
6. Be2 Sge7 7. 0-0 Sxd4 8. Qxd4 Sc6 9. Qd3 Qc7 10. Be3 b5
11. f4 Bb7 12. Rad1 Be7 13. a4 Sb4 14. Qd2 Nxc2 15. Qxc2 b4
16. Rd4 d5 17. exd5 Bxd5 18. Bc4 bxc3 19. Qxc3 Qb7 20. Rfd1
Bc6 21. f5 exf5 22. Rd6 Bxd6 23. Rxd6 0-0 24. Rxc6 f4
25. Bxf4 Rac8 26. Rxc8 Rxc8 27. b3 Qe4 28. Qe3 Qb1ch
29. Qc1 Qe4 30. Qe3 Qb1ch 31. Qc1 Qe4 32. h3 Re8 33. Bxa6 Qb4
34. Qc4 Qb6ch 35. Kh2 h5 1-0

24. Kozmin - Taimanov, Leningrad 1977

6. Be2 Sge7 7. 0-0 Sxd4 8. Qxd4 Sc6 9. Qe3 Bd6! 10. f4 0-0
11. Kh1 Bc7 12. Qh3 d5 13. Bd3 Sb4! 14. exd5 Sxd3 15. Qxd3 b5
16. Rd1 b4 17. Se4 Qxd5 18. Qf3 Qb7 19. Be3 f5! 20. Sc5 Qxf3
21. gxf Rd8 22. Kg2 Rb8 23. Kf2 Rb5 24. Rxd8ch Bxd8 25. Rd1 Bc7
26. Rd3 g5! 27. Sb3 gxf4 28. Bxf4 Bxf4 29. Rd8ch Kf7 30. Rxc8
Bxh2 31. Rc6 Be5 32. a4 bxa3 33. bxa3 Rb7 34. Sc5 Bd4ch
35. Kg3 Bxc5 36. Rxc5 Rb5 37. Rc7ch Kf6 38. Rxh7 Ra5
39. Rb7 Rxa3 40. Rb6 Ke5 41. c4 f4ch 42. Kg4 Ra1 43. c5 Rg1ch
44. Kh3 Rg3ch 45. Kh2 Rxf3 46. Rxa6 Rc3 47. Rc6 Kf5 48. Rc8 e5
49. c6 Ke4 50. c7 Rc2ch 51. Kh1 Kf3 52. Re8 Rxc7 53. Rxe5 Kf2!
54. Rh5 f3 55. Kh2 Re7 56. Rh6 Ke2 57. Ra6 f2 58. Ra2ch Kf3 0-1

Games...

Plaskett White Speelman Black

Whether James Plaskett wins or loses, his dashing style always makes it interesting. Here he starts a little series of exciting wins against redoubtable opponents in lively Sicilians with notes in his characteristically easy-going style.

Sicilian Defence

1 P-K4

Best by test. Don't know much else.

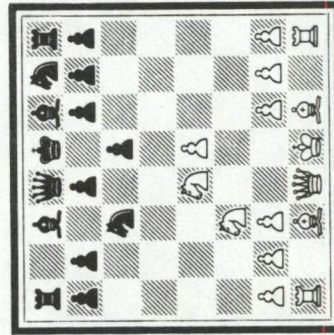
- 1 ... P-QB4
- 2 N-KB3 P-K3
- 3 P-Q4 P x P
- 4 N x P N-QB3

Why not play 5 P-QB4 now? I don't know.

5 N-QB3

By 5 N-N5 White could aim to establish a Maroczy bind by following up with P-QB4.

Plaskett v Niklasson, Ramsgate 1979 went 5 N-N5 P-Q3 6 P-QB4 N-B3 7 QN-B3 P-QR3 8 N-R3 B-K2 9 B-K2 O-O 10 O-O P-QN3 11 B-K3 B-Q2? 12 Q-Q2 Q-N1 13 P-KN4? R-QB1 14 P-N5 N-K1 15 P-B4 R-R2 16 QR-B1 QR-B2 17 B-Q3 N-N5 18 B-N1 P-N4 19 P x P 20 P-B5 P-K4 21 N-B2? P-Q4 and after a fierce squabble the game was drawn in 56 moves. 21 Q-K2! would have left White with a strategically won game.



- 5 ... P-QR3
- 6 B-K2 KN-K2?

The modern way of playing the Taimanov system.

Usually the opening was characterised by ... Q-B2, ... P-QN4 and developing the KN on B3 but in recent years Taimanov has tried ... KN-K2 with some success.

- 7 O-O N x N
- 8 Q x N N-B3
- 9 Q-Q3!

Kuzmin against Taimanov in Lenin-grad 1977 went 9 Q-K3 and play went 9 ... B-Q3 10 P-B4 O-O 11 K-R1 B-B2 12 Q-R3 P-Q4! with interesting play.

9 ... Q-B2!

Speelman finds a simple, effective development. Two previous games of mine:

Plaskett v Martin, National Club Championship, 1976: 9 ... P-QN4 10 B-B4 P-Q3? 11 QR-Q1 P-K4 12 B-K3 B-K3 13 N-Q5 R-QN1 14 P-QR4 B x N 15 P x B N-K2 16 P x P 17 Q x NPch! winning.

Plaskett v Sellos, Hallsberg, 1977: 9 ... B-K2 10 B-B4 O-O 11 P-QR4? P-Q3 12 KR-Q1 N-K4 13 Q-N3 Q-B2 14 B-K3 P-QN3 15 P-B4 N-Q2 16 P-B5 K-R1! with equality.

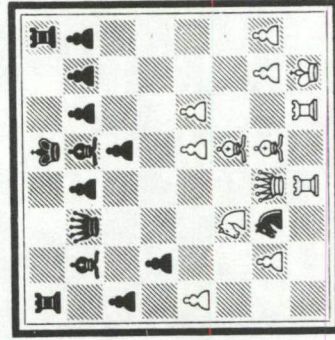
- 10 B-K3 P-QN4
- 11 P-B4 B-N2
- 12 QR-Q1 B-K2?

Quite natural, but White's reply sets Black problems.

12 ... R-B1 would have been better.

13 P-QR4! N-N5?
I didn't know what this was. If 13 ... P-N5, then 14 N-Q5! with an edge.

13 Q-Q2 N x P



I hadn't thought of this at all. Still, my position looked fine so I quickly recovered my composure.

- 15 Q x N P-N5
- 16 R-Q4!

Planning to answer 16 ... P x N with 17 R-B4 and 18 Q x P.

Speelman decides to complicate but it hardly seems right to open up when behind in development.

- 16 ... P-Q4?
- 17 P x P B x P

More weird and wonderful moves.

18 B-B4!

Not surprisingly, White has a way of gaining the advantage. Now on 18 ... B x B, 19 N-K4! would win.

18 ... P x N

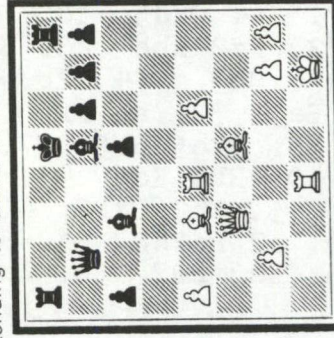
Played instantly.

- 19 Q x BP
- 20 KR-Q1!

Black's efforts at complicating the game have backfired. His best now was 20 ... O-O but White could safely win a pawn with few technical difficulties ahead.

20 ... B-QB3

Intending to castle next move.



Fortunately White has a strong tactical possibility.

- 21 P-B5!
- 22 R-Q6!

Speelman said afterwards that he was expecting 22 B-KR6! P x B 23 R-Q8ch B x R 24 Q x Rch K-K2 25 Q-K5ch with a draw.

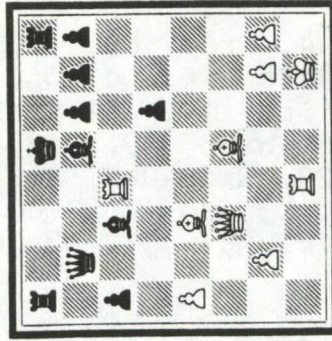
This astonishing idea never occurred to me. I was preoccupied with the idea of playing my queen to KN7.

The move played threatens 23 Q x P

and also 23 R x B Q x R 24 B x BPch which prevents Black from castling.

We gave much attention afterwards to 22 ... K-B1. I must admit I had not decided exactly how to meet that but some permutation of B-KR6/B-QB5/B x BP had to work.

John Watson silenced us for awhile by suggesting 23 R(Q1)-Q3 threatening 24 Q x Pch but Black would reply 23 ... B x R and White has merely wasted a move. Eventually I settled on 23 B x BP as best: e.g. 23 ... B x R 24 R x B K x B 25 R x B with the unanswerable twin threats of 26 R-B7ch and 26 Q-B4ch.



- 22 ... B x R
- 23 R x B O-O

An admission of defeat: but on 23 ... K-B1, 24 B x BP would still win.

24 R x B

As 24 ... Q x R? would still lose by 25 B x BPch

24 ... P-B5

Just to confuse, with two B's for a rook. White now wins easily.

- 25 B x P(B4) QR-B1 26 R x R R x R 27 P-QN3 Q-K5 28 Q-K3 Q-N8ch 29 Q-B1 Q-K5 30 Q-K3 Q-N8ch 31 Q-B1 Q-K5 32 P-KR3 R-K1? 33 B x RP Q-N5 34 Q-B4! Q-N3ch 35 K-R2 P-KR4 and Black resigned.

In Goodyear's 6th, 5-7 December, Keith Arkell Birmingham won the Open with 5 out of 5. There were 102 entries.

R. Bellin, M. Chandler both London and M. Rivas Spain tied first at Portsmouth, 16-18 January, with 5/6. 298 competed in all.