

28. Gambits in the opening

Kings Gambit [C33]

[A gambit is a chess opening in which a player sacrifices material, usually a pawn, with the hope of achieving a resulting advantageous position.]

1.e4 e5 2.f4



Diagram 13.1

2...exf4 [White sacrificed a pawn to get centre control & lead in development.] **3.Bc4 Qh4+**
4.Kf1 Bc5 5.d4 Bb6 6.Nf3 Qg4 7.Bxf7+ Kxf7 8.Ne5+ Kf8 9.Nxg4

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Evans Gambit [C52]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.Bc4 Bc5 4.b4



Diagram 13.2

4...Bxb4 5.c3 Ba5 6.d4 exd4 7.0-0 [White sacrifices 2 pawns to get lead in development.]
7...dxc3 8.Qb3 Qe7 9.Nxc3 Nf6 10.Nd5 Nxd5

11.exd5 Ne5 12.Nxe5 Qxe5 13.Bb2 [Black king is stuck in the center, white gets a very strong attack by sacrificing 2 pawns.] 13...Qg5 14.h4 Qxh4 15.Bxg7 Rg8

16.Rae1+ Bxe1 17.Rxe1+ Kd8 18.Qg3 Qxg3 19.Bf6#

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Scotch Gambit [C44]

1.e4 e5 2.Nf3 Nc6 3.d4 exd4 4.Bc4



Diagram 13.3

4...Be7 5.c3 dxc3 [White sacrifices 1 more pawn to start attack on black king] 6.Qd5 Nh6 7.Bxh6 +-

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Morra gambit [B21]

1.e4 c5 2.d4 cxd4 3.c3

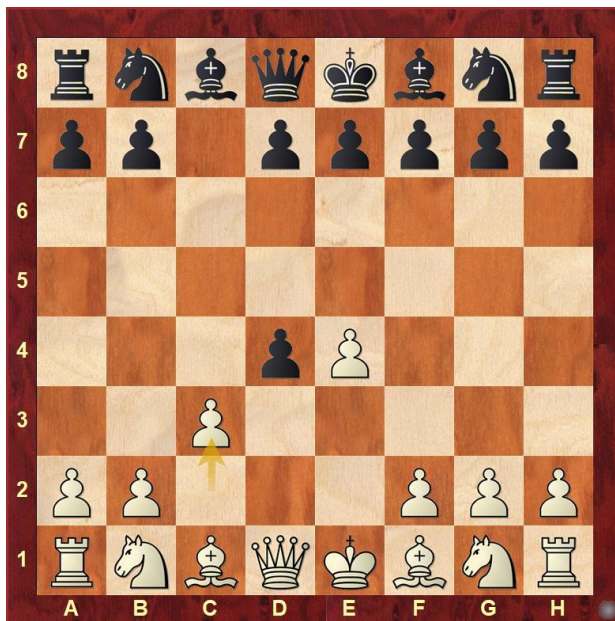


Diagram 13.4

3...dxc3 [White sacrifices a pawn and gets lead in development and more active pieces.] **4.Nxc3 Nc6 5.Nf3 d6 6.Bc4 Nf6 7.e5 dxe5** [7...Nxe5 8.Nxe5 dxe5 9.Bxf7+ Kxf7 10.Qxd8] **8.Qxd8+ Nxd8 9.Nb5** [White is 2 pawns down but has a winning position, black has only 1 piece developed against white 3 minor pieces.] **9...Kd7 10.Nxe5+ Ke8**

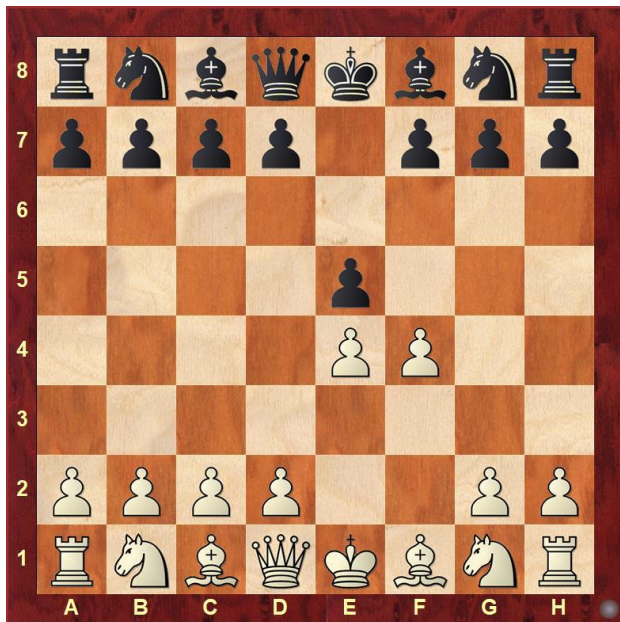
11.Nc7#

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ADVANCED LEVEL PART 2

28. Gambits in the opening (Homework)

1. What is the name of this gambit?



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4. What is the name of this gambit?

