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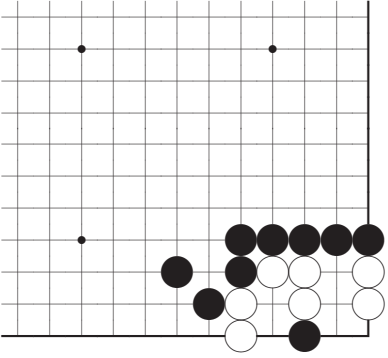


Diagram 1
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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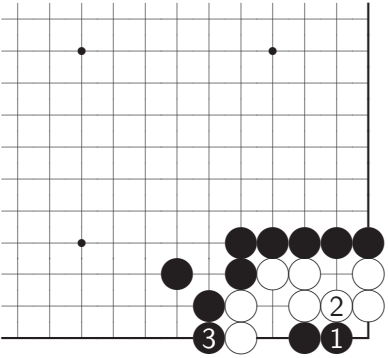
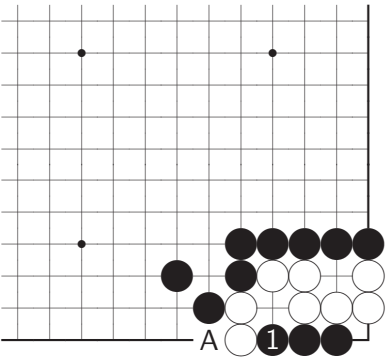


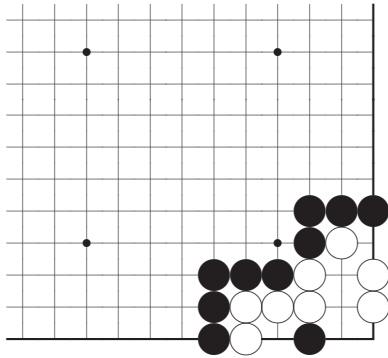
Diagram 2
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 1 for Black 3

Also correct. Playing this move at A is usually better style because it leaves less bad aji (potential for bad things to happen) on the outside.



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Diagram 3
(Move: 1)

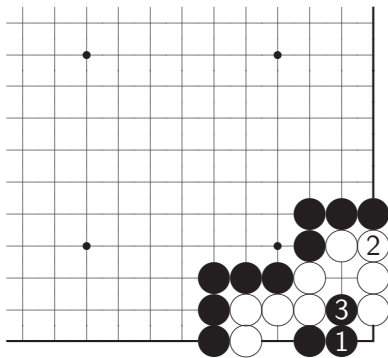
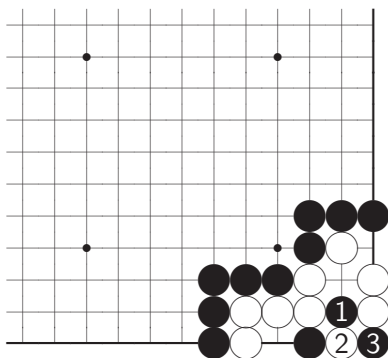
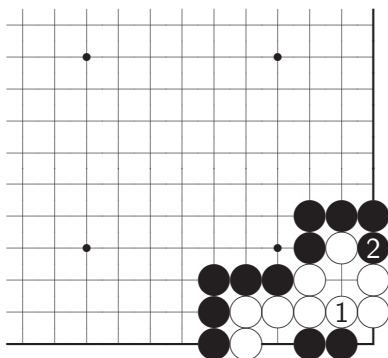


Diagram 4
(Moves: 1-3)



Variation 2 for Black 1



Variation 3 for White 2

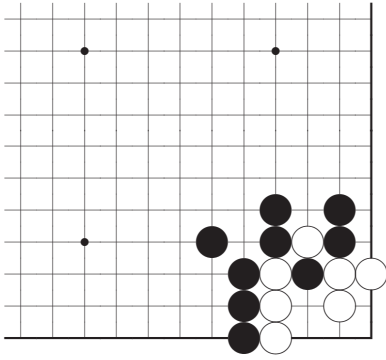


Diagram 5
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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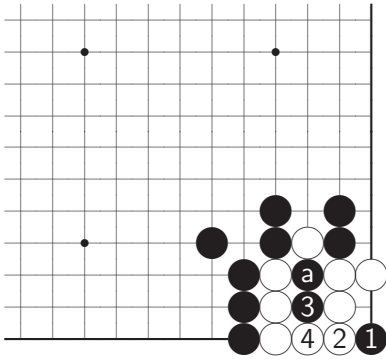
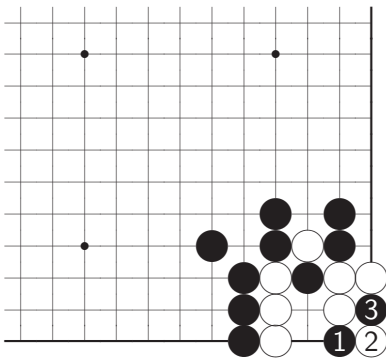


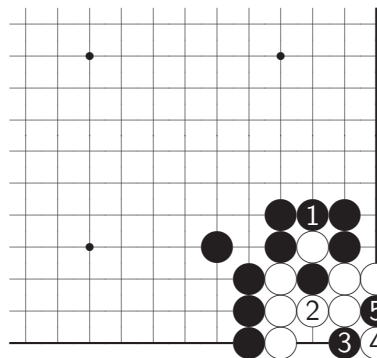
Diagram 6
(Moves: 1-5)
5 at a.

Correct



Variation 4 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 5 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

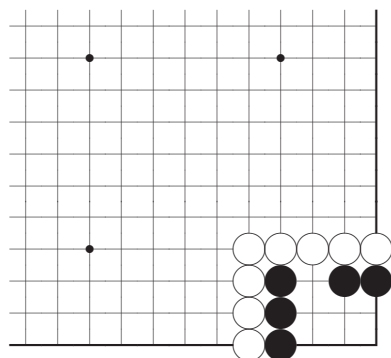


Diagram 7
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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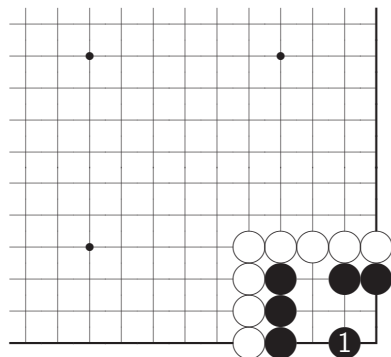
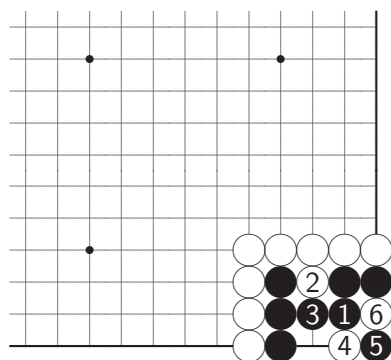


Diagram 8
(Move: 1)

Correct



Variation 6 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

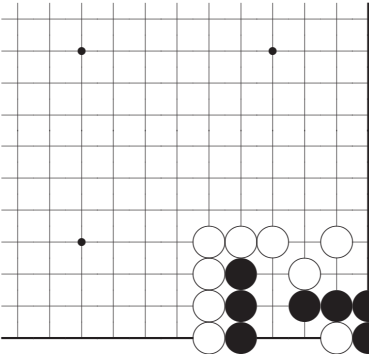


Diagram 9
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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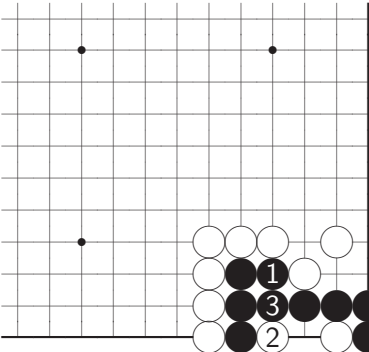


Diagram 10
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct

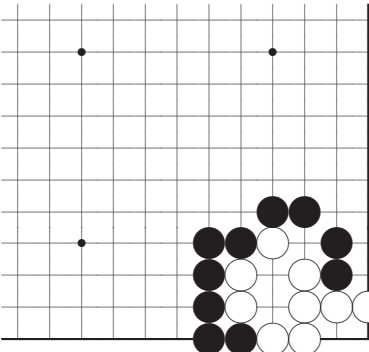


Diagram 11
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

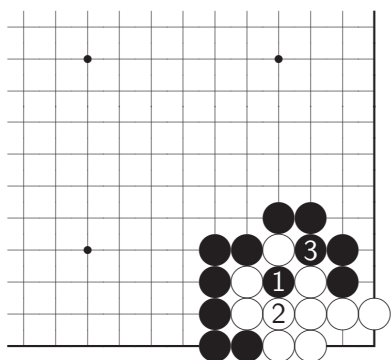


Diagram 12
(Moves: 1-3)

Black to play.

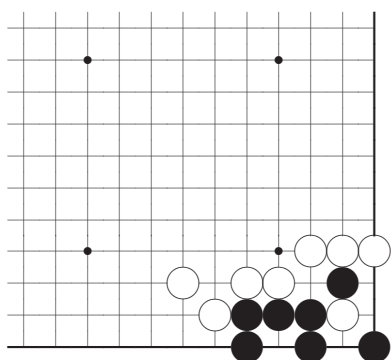
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Diagram 13
(Move: 1)

Correct

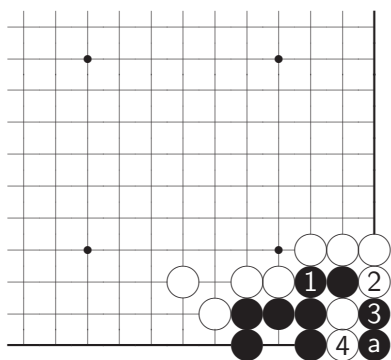


Diagram 14
(Moves: 1-7)
⑤, ⑦ at ③,
⑥ at ②.

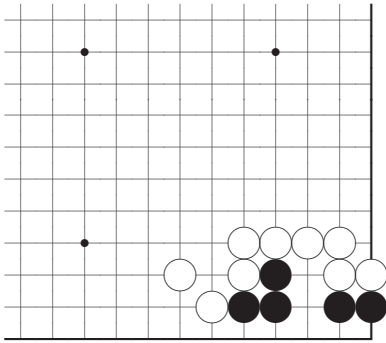


Diagram 15
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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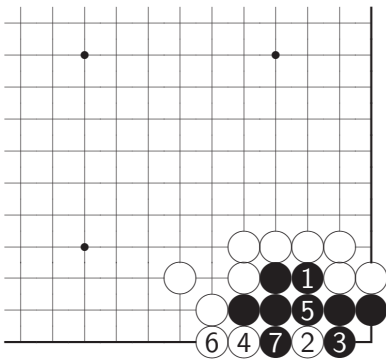
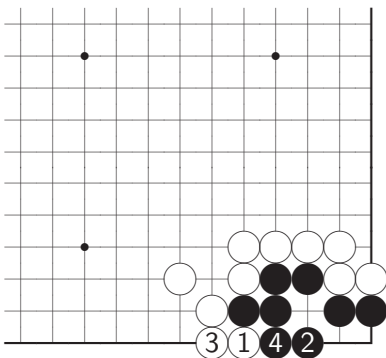


Diagram 16
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



Variation 7 for White 2

Correct

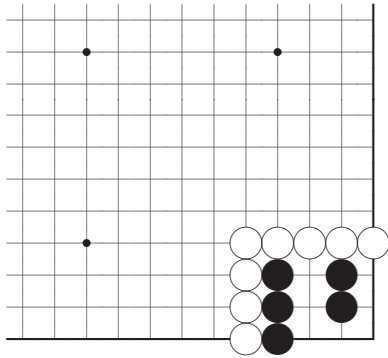


Diagram 17
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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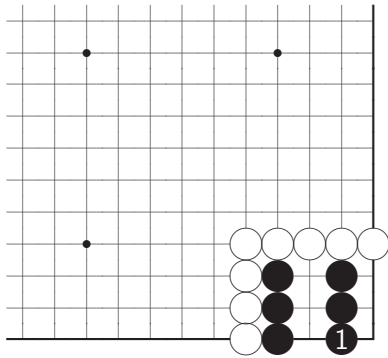
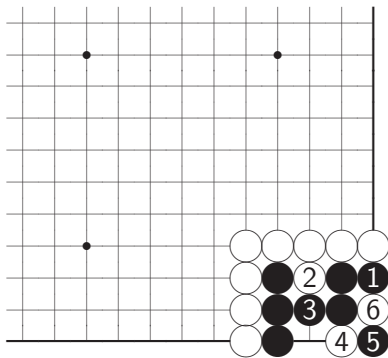


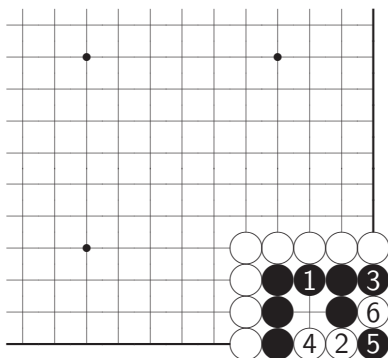
Diagram 18
(Move: 1)

Correct



Variation 8 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 9 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

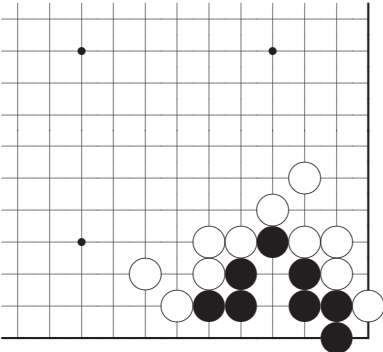


Diagram 19
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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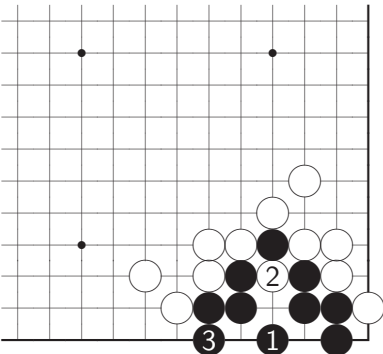
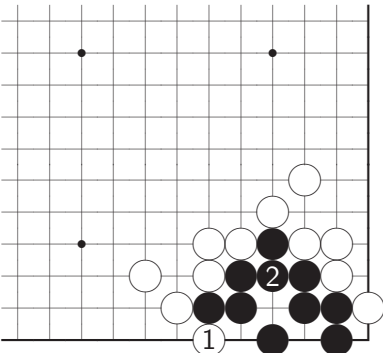


Diagram 20
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 10 for White 2

Correct

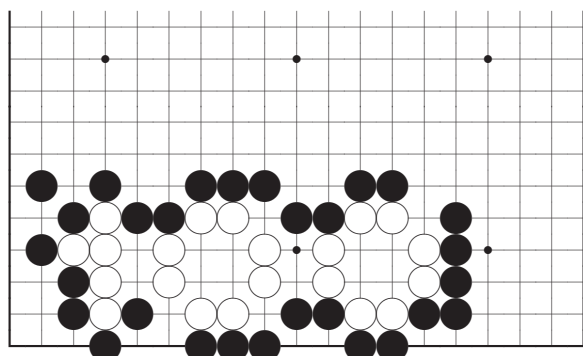


Diagram 21
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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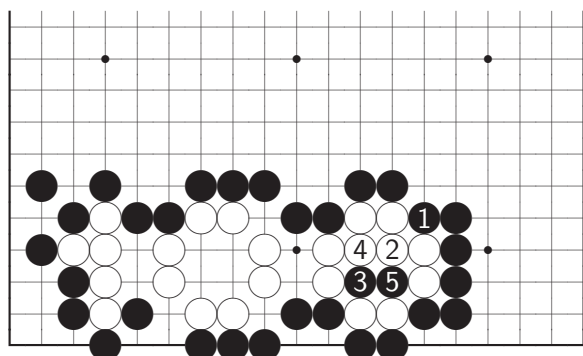
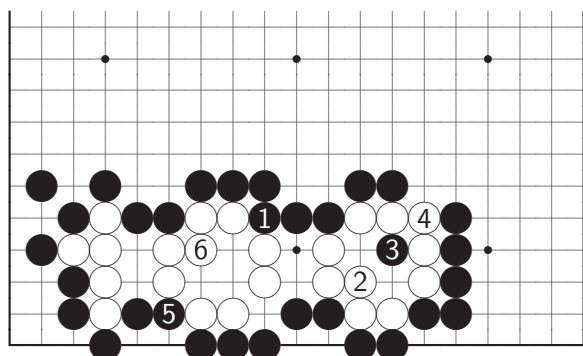


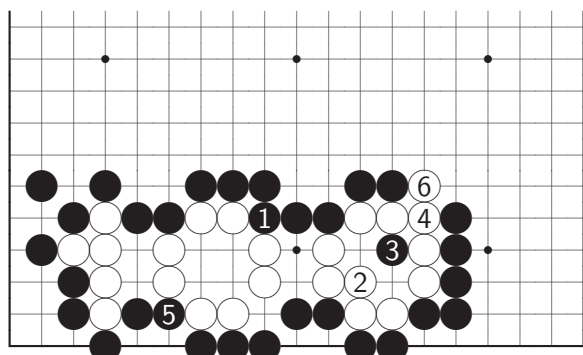
Diagram 22
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



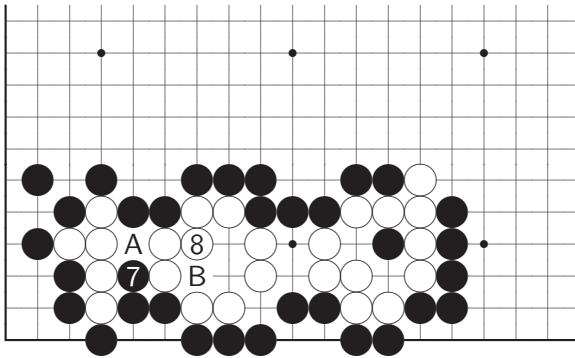
Variation 11 for Black 1

White could also tenuki now, if she wants to take sente for example, and Black will only be able to capture the number 1 (through shortage of liberties). The rest of the group is already alive.



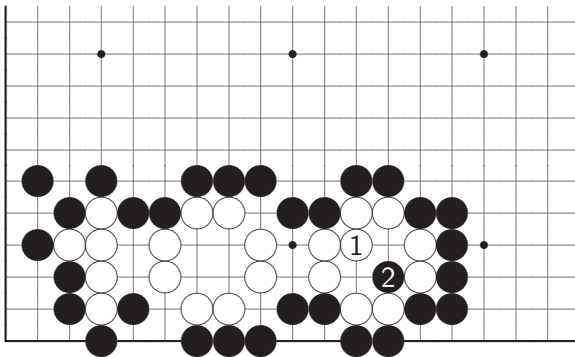
Variation 12 for Black 1

If White tenukis...



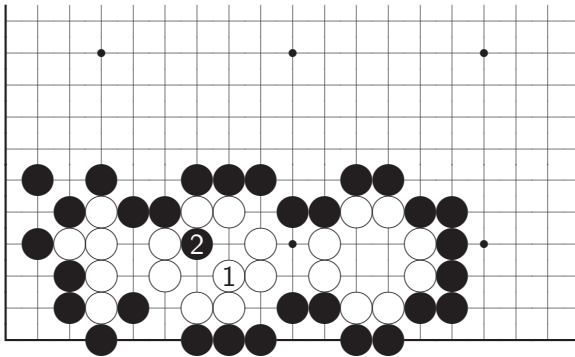
Variation 13 for Black 1

The rest of White's group is still alive. White shouldn't connect at A because Black would atari at B.



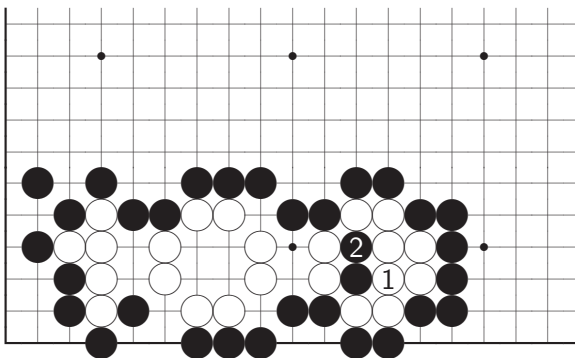
Variation 14 for White 2

Correct



Variation 15 for White 2

Correct



Variation 16 for White 4

Correct

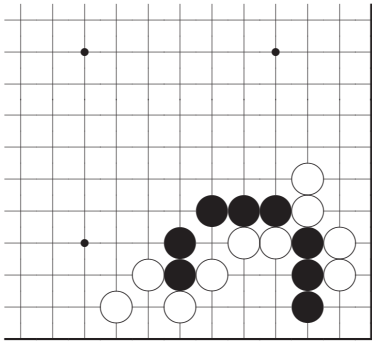


Diagram 23
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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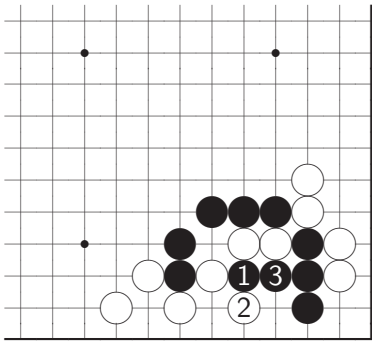
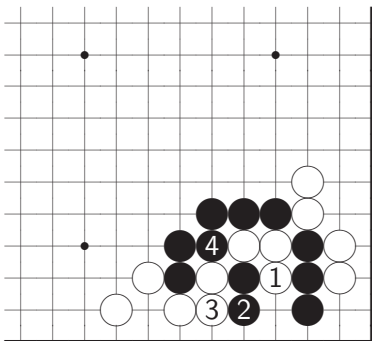


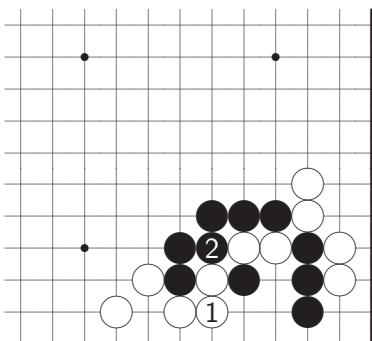
Diagram 24
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 17 for White 2

Correct



Variation 18 for White 2

Correct

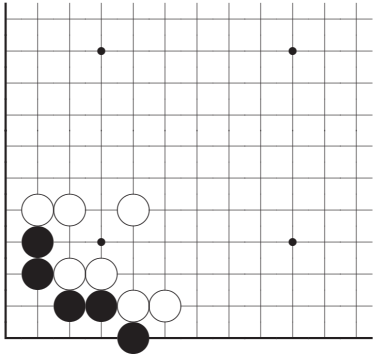


Diagram 25
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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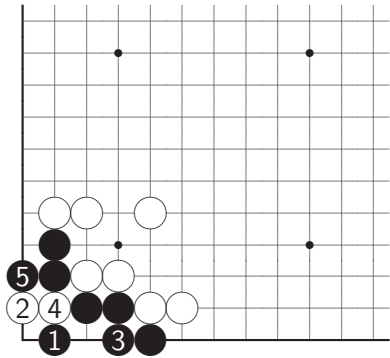
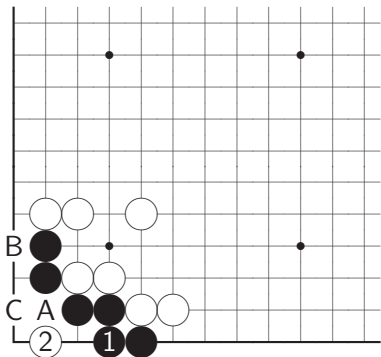


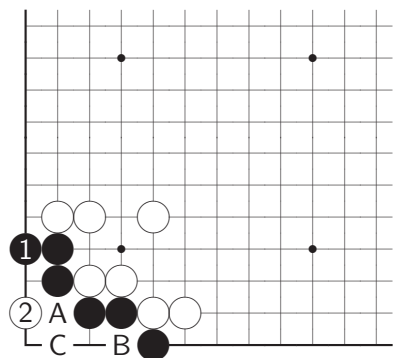
Diagram 26
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct. Black has enough liberties to play here in this case.



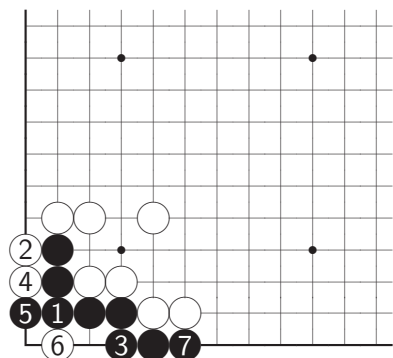
Variation 19 for Black 1

Even if Black plays at A now, it will almost never be sente, because B and C are miai. See: <http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>



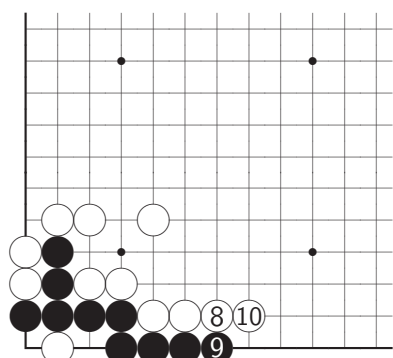
Variation 20 for Black 1

Even if Black plays at A now, it will almost never be sente, because B and C are miai. See: <http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>



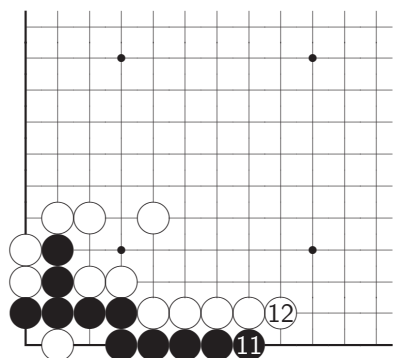
Variation 21 for Black 1

Some players worry that Black can escape like this. However, unless there's a stone nearby on the bottom side, there's no way to escape. For example...



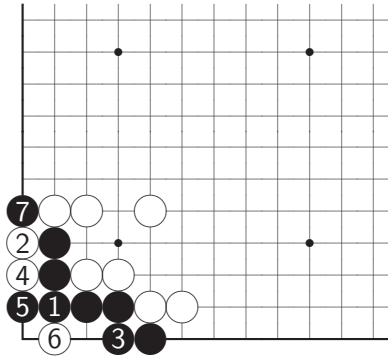
Variation 22 for Black 1

If there's nothing for Black to connect to, White can also just keep extending.



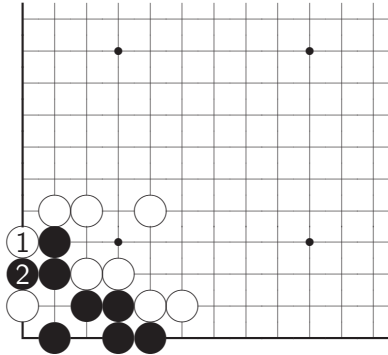
Variation 23 for Black 1

White will make as many of these exchanges as Black likes.



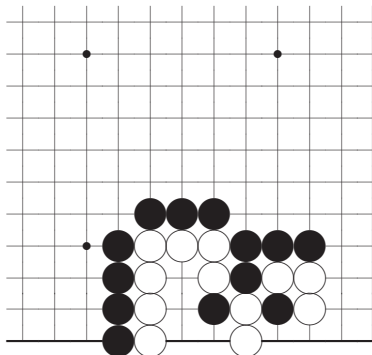
Variation 24 for Black 1

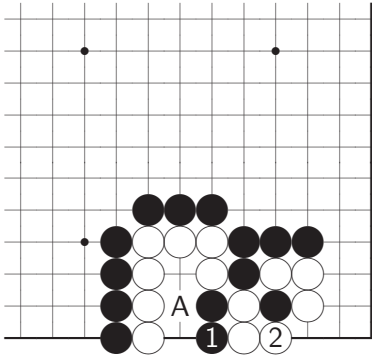
Black can't escape like this either. For example...



Variation 25 for White 4

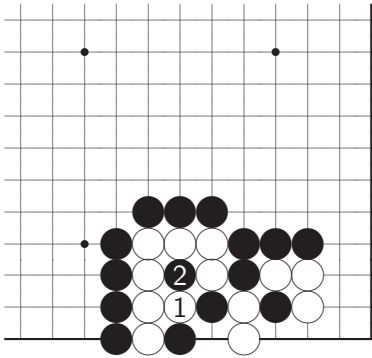
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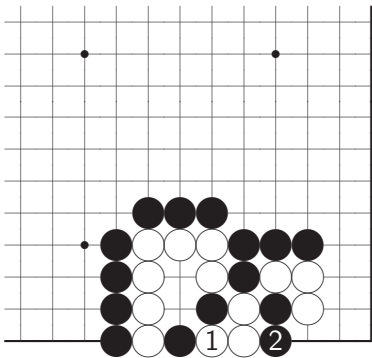
Variation 26 for Black 1

Black can make a seki (in gote) with A, but Black can do better.



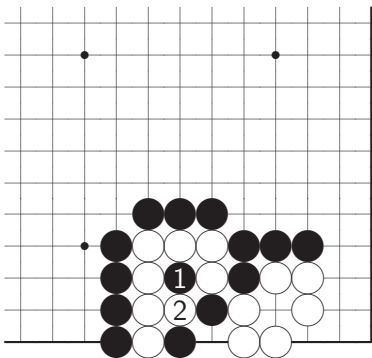
Variation 27 for White 2

Correct



Variation 28 for White 2

Correct



Variation 29 for Black 3
3 at **1**.

Correct

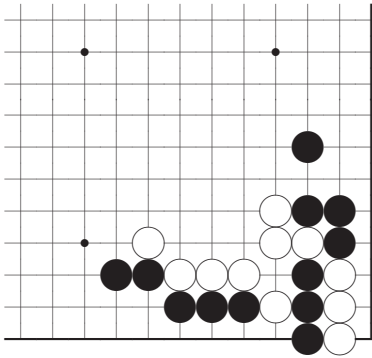


Diagram 29
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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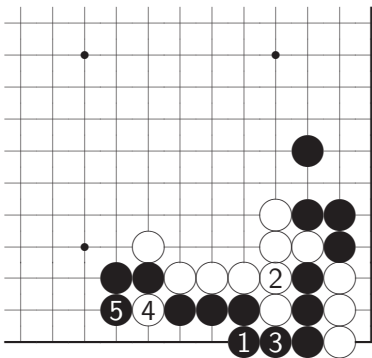
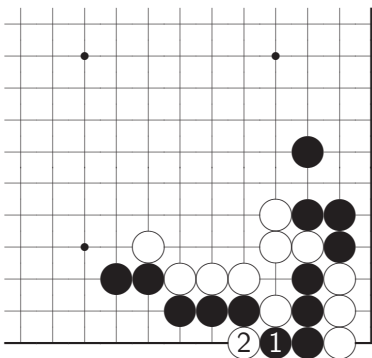


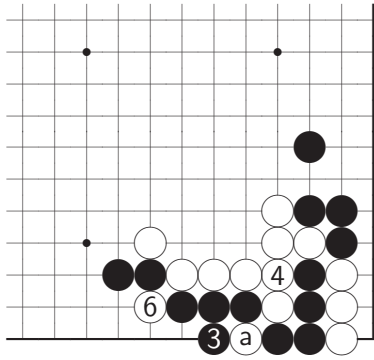
Diagram 30
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



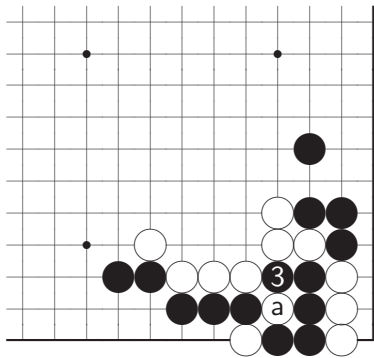
Variation 30 for Black 1

This move gives Black a shortage of liberties.



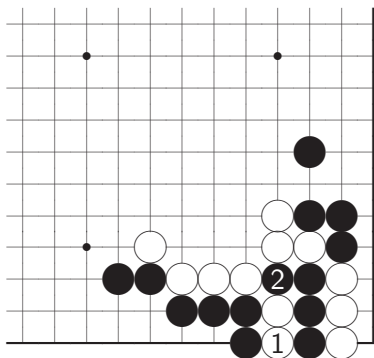
Variation 31 for Black 1
 ⑤ at ①.

How can you stop this happening?



Variation 32 for Black 1
 ④ at ①.

It's a snapback.



Variation 33 for White 2

Correct

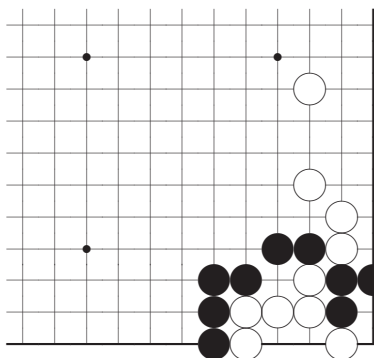


Diagram 31
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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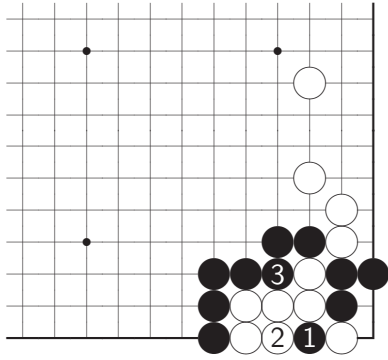
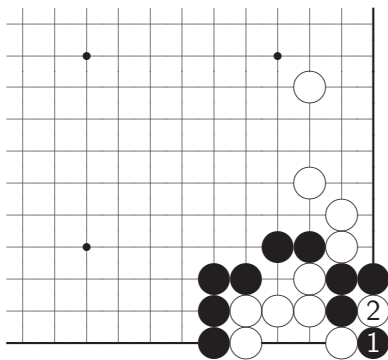


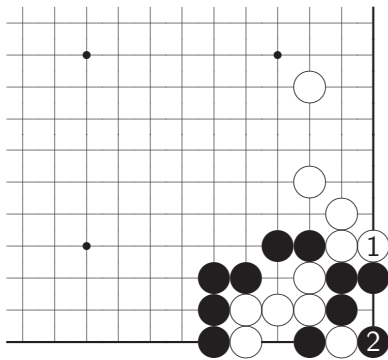
Diagram 32
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



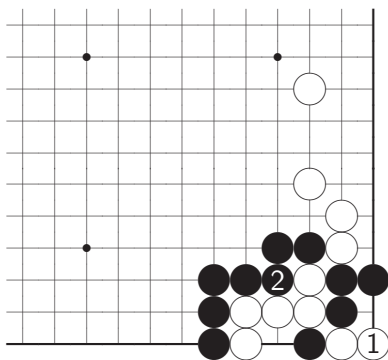
Variation 34 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



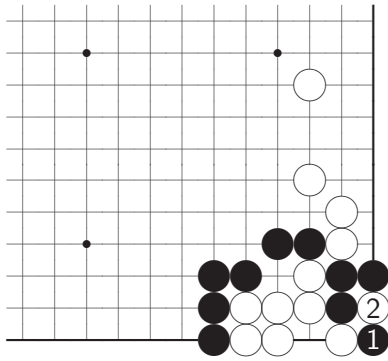
Variation 35 for White 2

Correct



Variation 36 for White 2

Correct



Variation 37 for Black 3

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

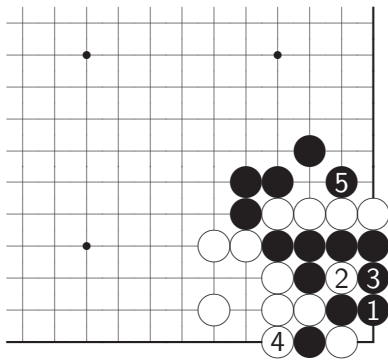
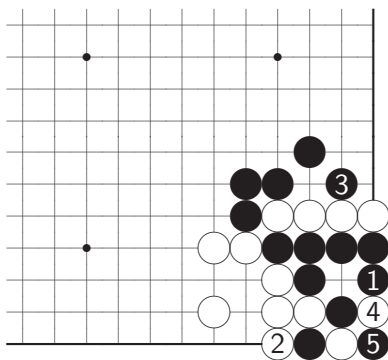


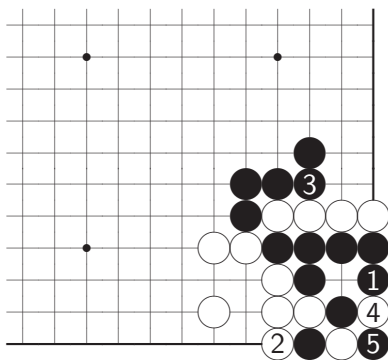
Diagram 33
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



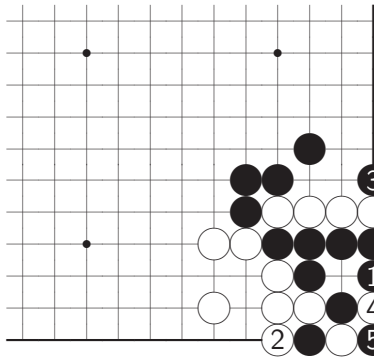
Variation 38 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



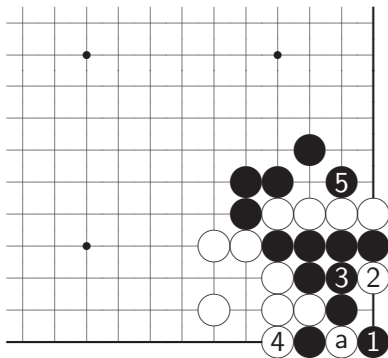
Variation 39 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



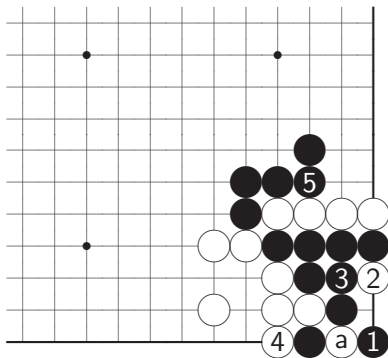
Variation 40 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



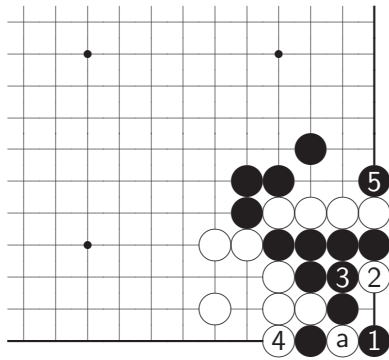
Variation 41 for Black 1
⑥ at ①.

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



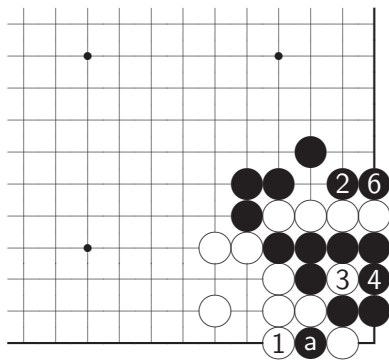
Variation 42 for Black 1
⑥ at ①.

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



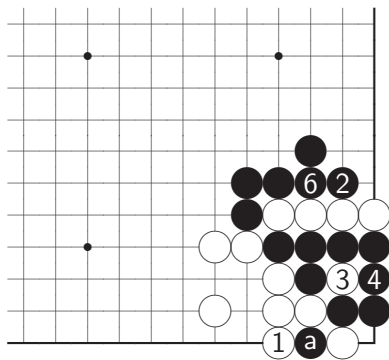
Variation 43 for Black 1
⑥ at ①.

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



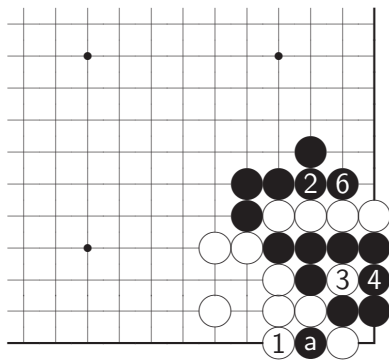
Variation 44 for White 2
⑤ at ①.

Correct



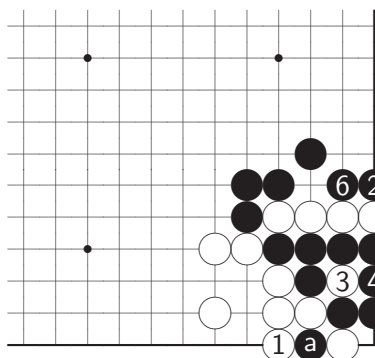
Variation 45 for White 2
⑤ at ①.

Correct



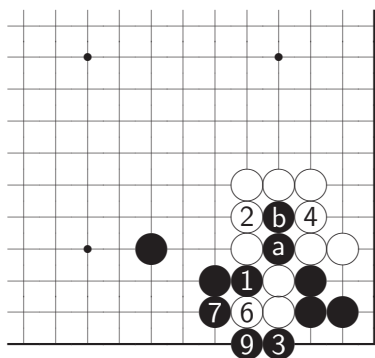
Variation 46 for White 2
⑤ at ①.

Correct



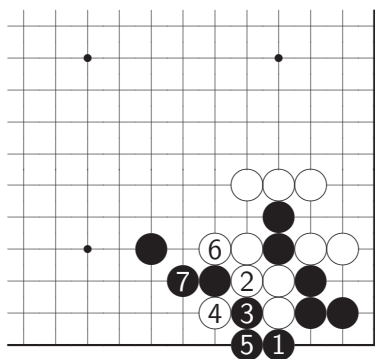
Correct

Variation 47 for White 2
 ⑤ at a.



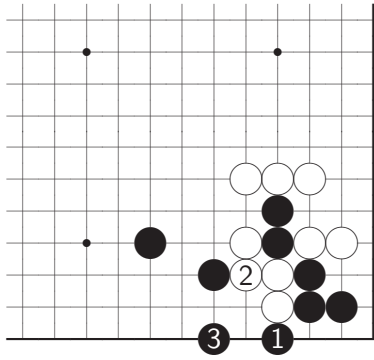
Correct

Diagram 34
 (Moves: 1-9)
 ⑤ at a,
 ⑧ at b.



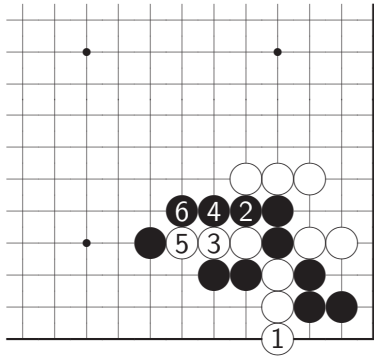
This is also possible, but there was a better move for A.

Variation 48 for Black 1



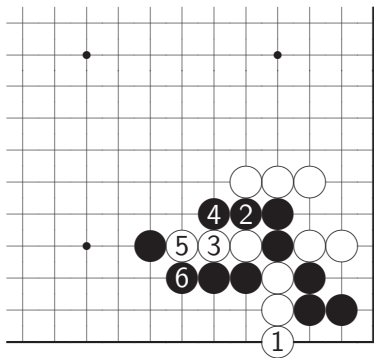
Variation 49 for Black 1

This is also possible, but there was a better move for A.



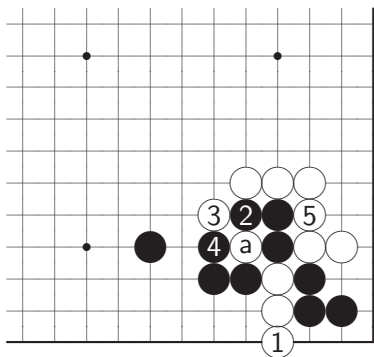
Variation 50 for White 2

Correct



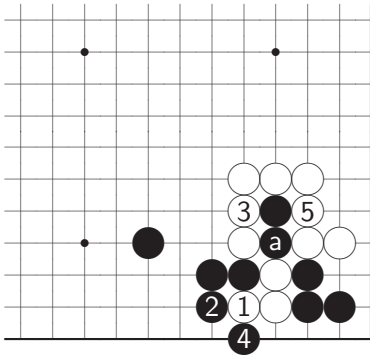
Variation 51 for White 2

Correct



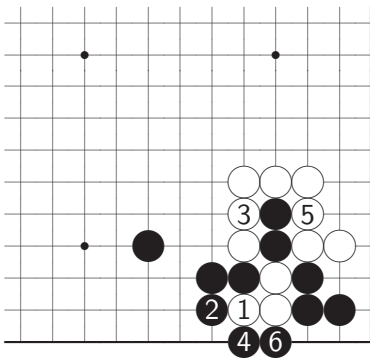
Variation 52 for White 2
6 at **a**.

Correct



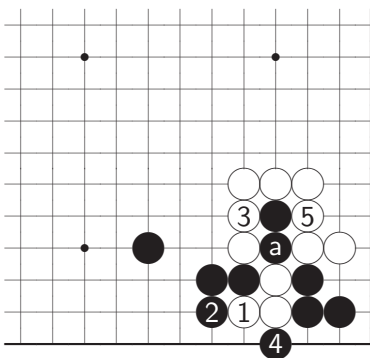
Correct

Variation 53 for White 2
 6 at a.



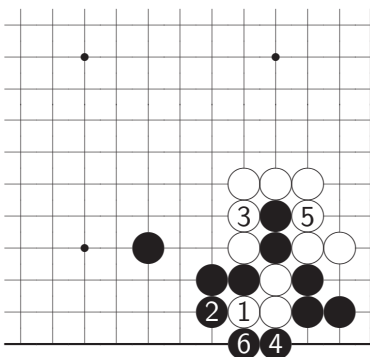
There's a better move for this.

Variation 54 for White 2



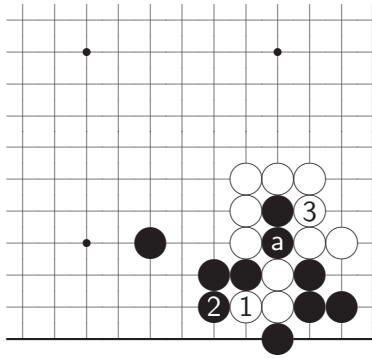
Correct

Variation 55 for White 2
 6 at a.



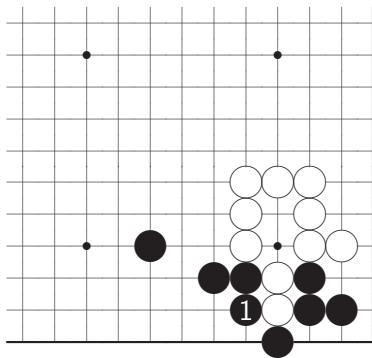
There's a better move for this.

Variation 56 for White 2



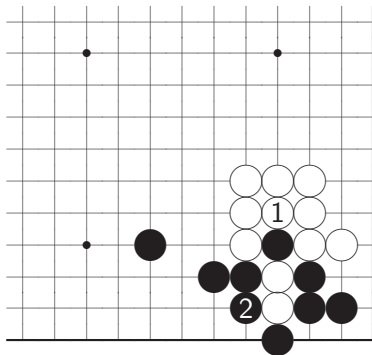
Correct

Variation 57 for White 4
 4 at a.



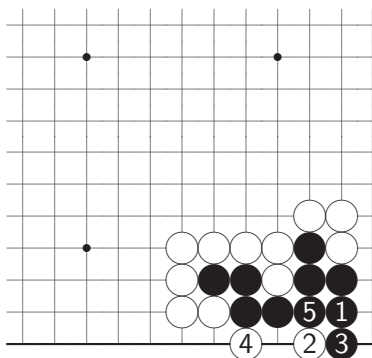
There's a better move for this.

Variation 58 for Black 5



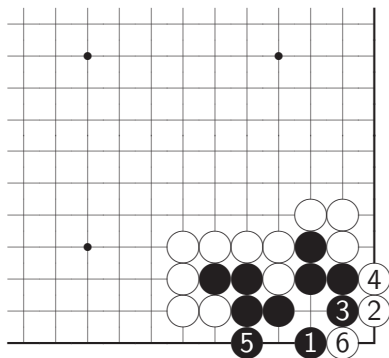
Correct

Variation 59 for White 6



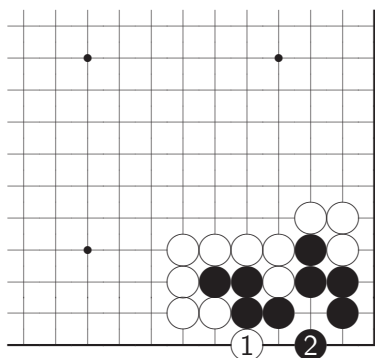
Correct

Diagram 35
(Moves: 1-5)



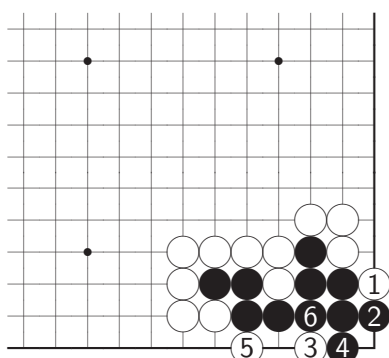
Variation 60 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



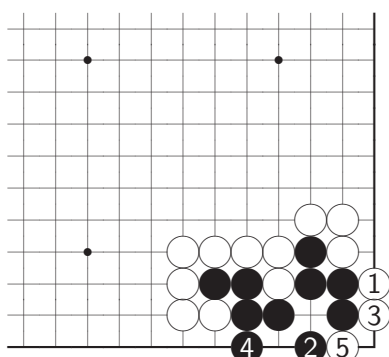
Variation 61 for White 2

Correct



Variation 62 for White 2

Correct



Variation 63 for White 2

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

Correct

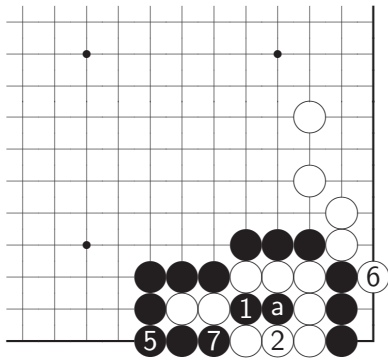


Diagram 36
(Moves: 1-7)

③ at ①,
④ at a.

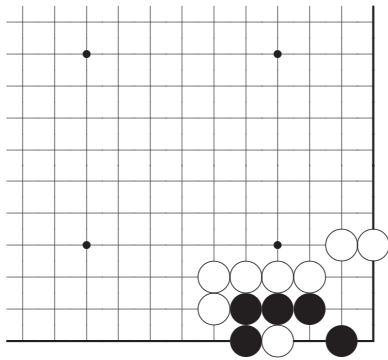


Diagram 37
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

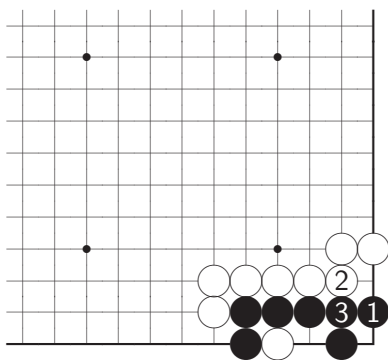


Diagram 38
(Moves: 1-3)

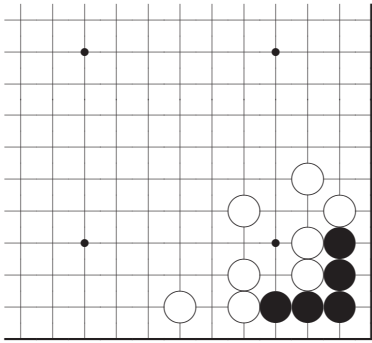


Diagram 39
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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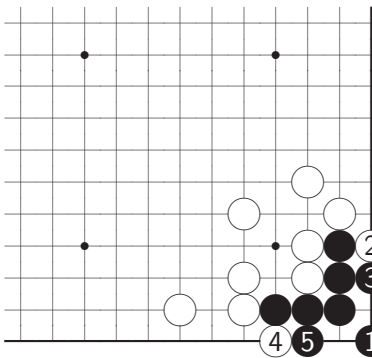
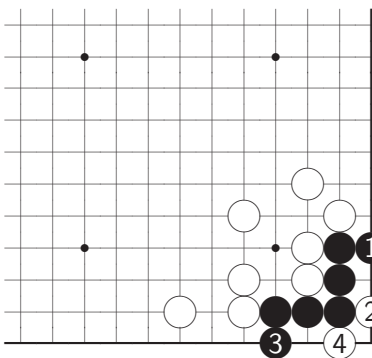


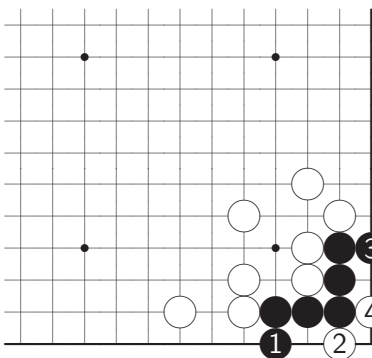
Diagram 40
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 64 for Black 1

It's a bent four in the corner.
<http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>



Variation 65 for Black 1

It's a bent four in the corner.
<http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>

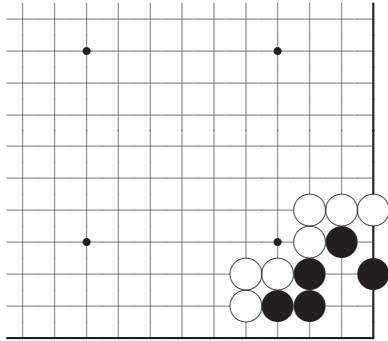


Diagram 41
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

<https://gogameguru.com/>

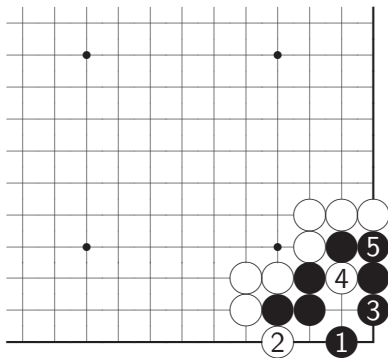
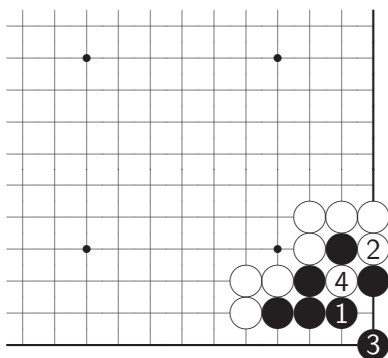


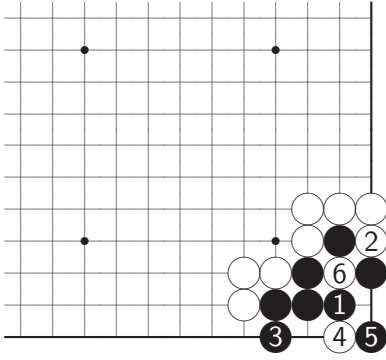
Diagram 42
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



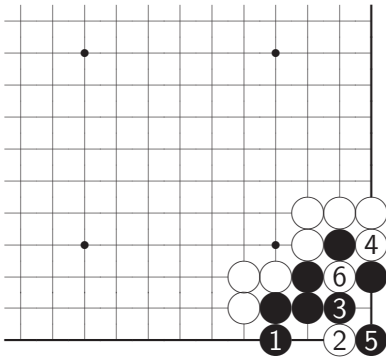
Variation 66 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



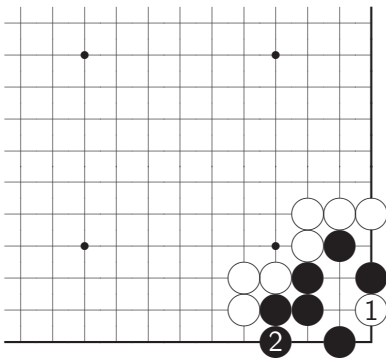
Variation 67 for Black 1

It's a double ko, and Black's captured.



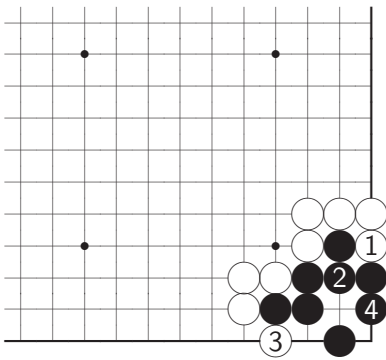
Variation 68 for Black 1

It's a double ko, and Black's captured.



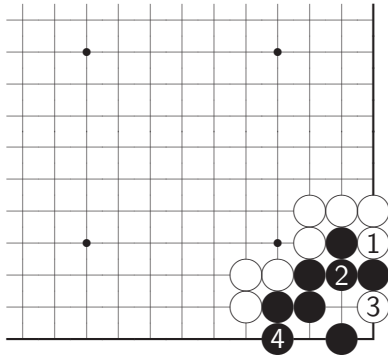
Variation 69 for White 2

Correct

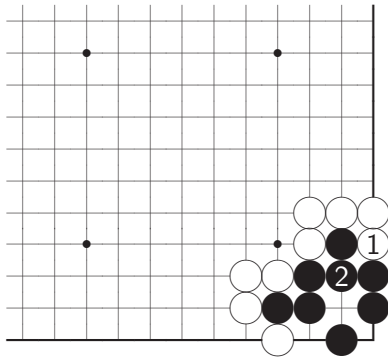


Variation 70 for White 2

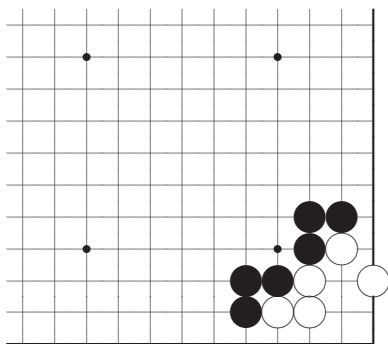
Correct



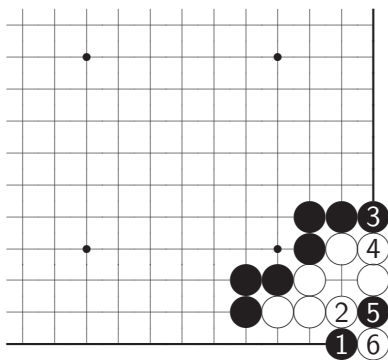
Correct

Variation 71 for White 2

Correct

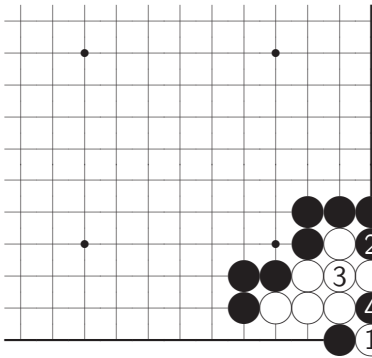
Variation 72 for White 4

Black to play.

<https://gogameguru.com/>*Diagram 43*
(Move: 1)

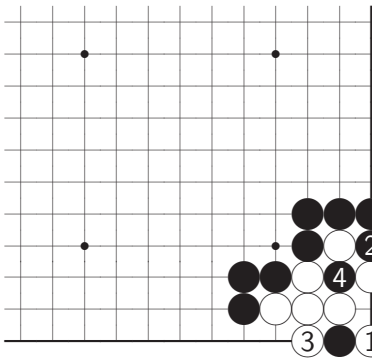
Correct. It's a ko.

Diagram 44
(Moves: 1-6)



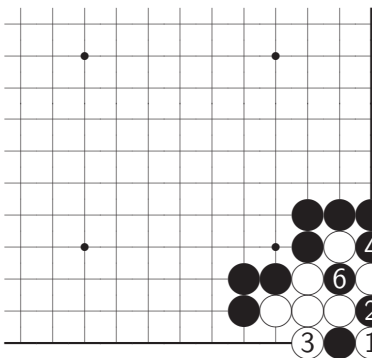
Variation 73 for White 4

Correct. It's a ko.



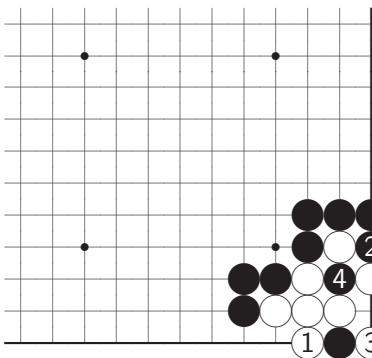
Variation 74 for White 4

Correct. It's a ko.



Variation 75 for White 4
⑤ at ①.

Correct. It's a ko.



Variation 76 for White 4

Correct. It's a ko.

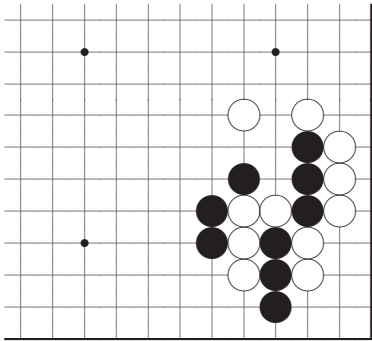


Diagram 45
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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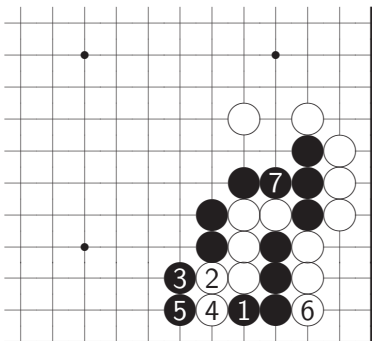
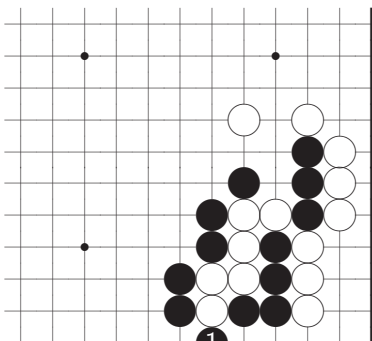


Diagram 46
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



Variation 77 for Black 7

Correct

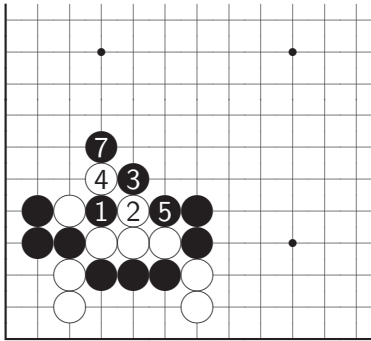


Diagram 47
(Moves: 1-7)
⑥ at ①.

Correct

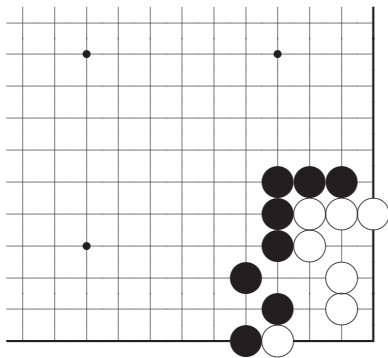


Diagram 48
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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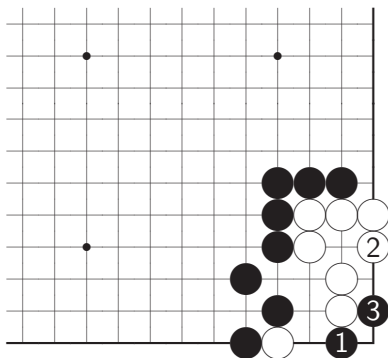
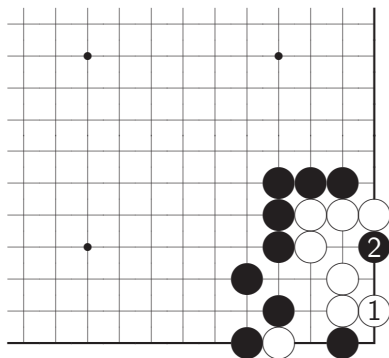


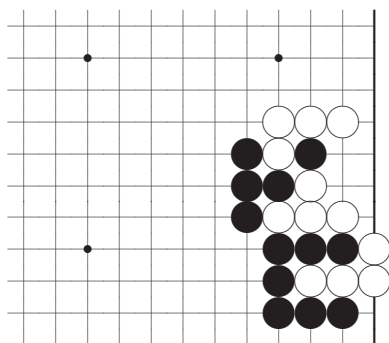
Diagram 49
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Correct

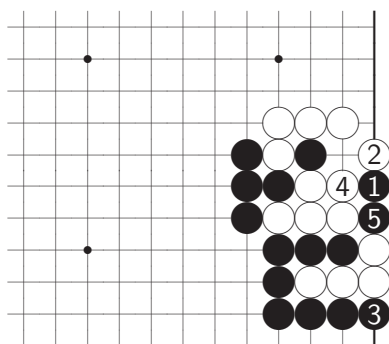
Variation 78 for White 2



Black to play.

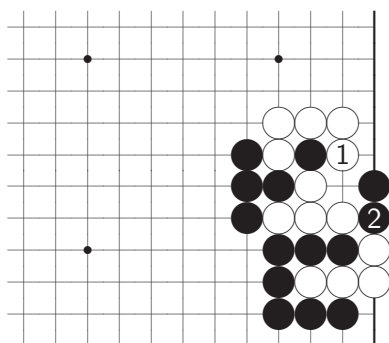
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Diagram 50
(Move: 1)



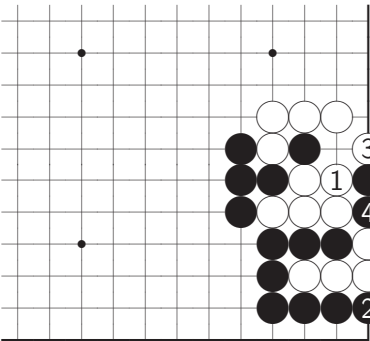
Correct

Diagram 51
(Moves: 1-5)



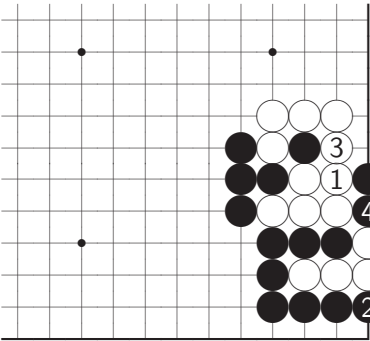
Correct

Variation 79 for White 2



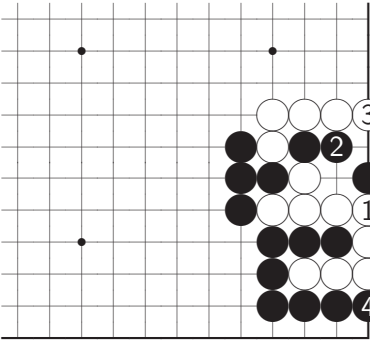
Correct

Variation 80 for White 2



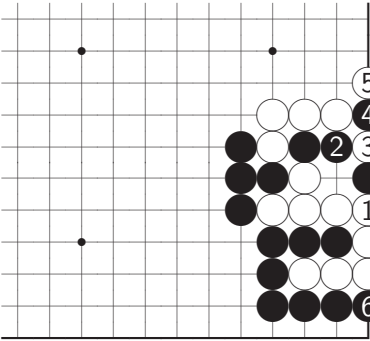
Correct

Variation 81 for White 2



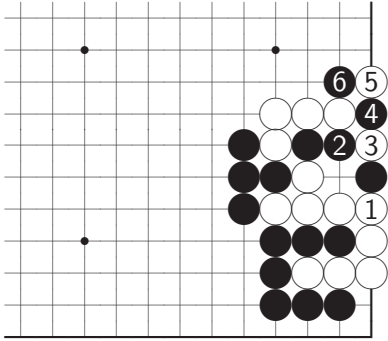
Correct

Variation 82 for White 2



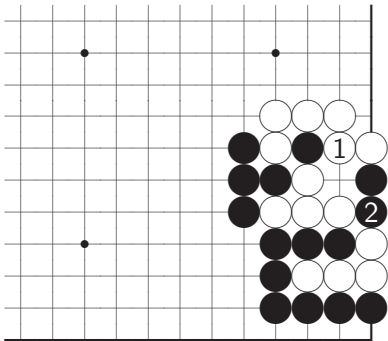
Correct

Variation 83 for White 2



Variation 84 for White 2
 ⑦ at ③.

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 85 for White 4

Correct

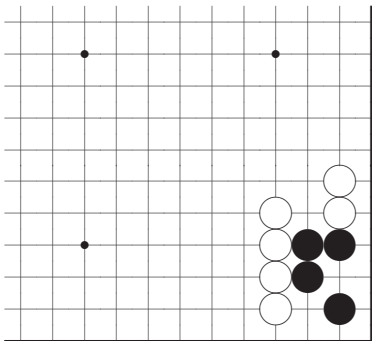


Diagram 52
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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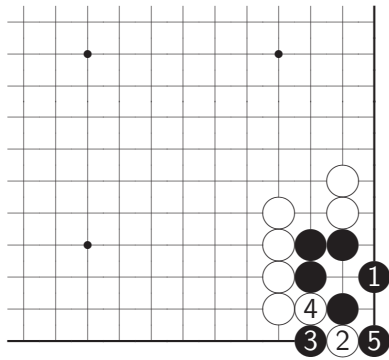
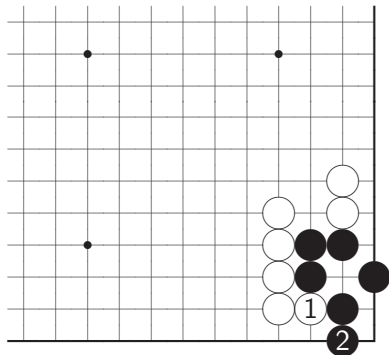


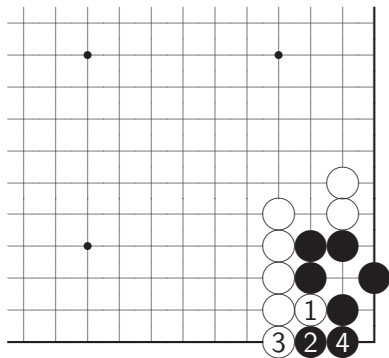
Diagram 53
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 86 for White 2

Correct



Variation 87 for White 2

Correct

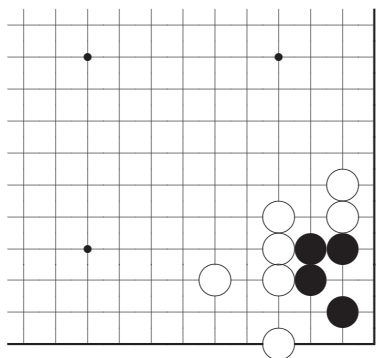


Diagram 54
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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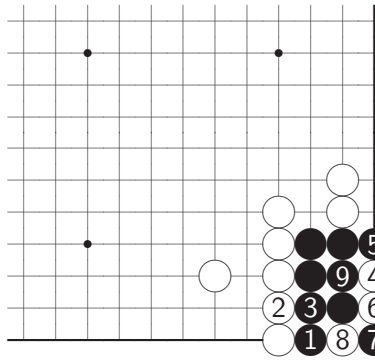
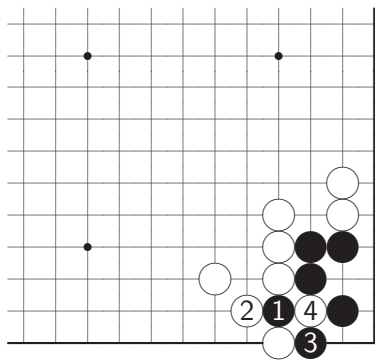


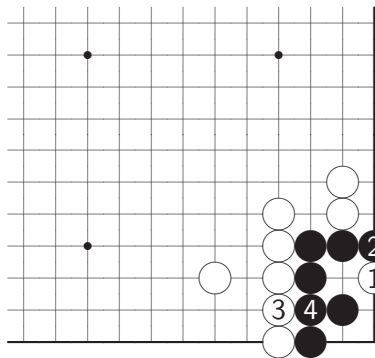
Diagram 55
(Moves: 1-9)

Correct



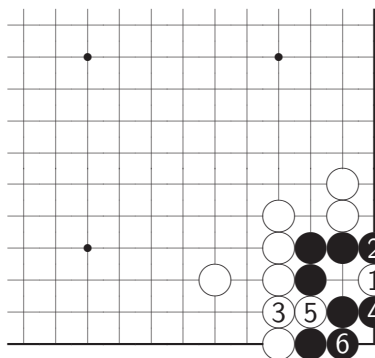
Variation 88 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



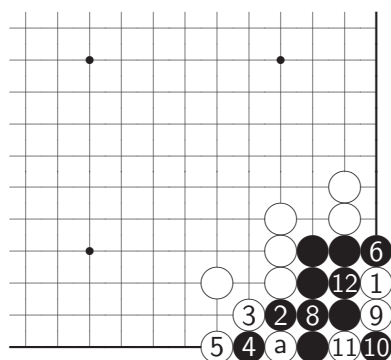
Variation 89 for White 2

Correct



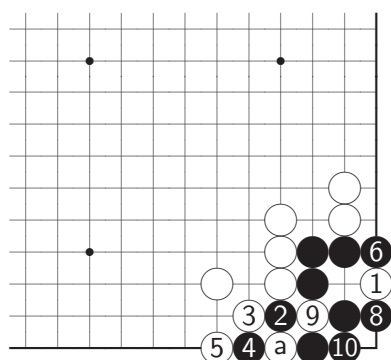
Variation 90 for White 2

Correct



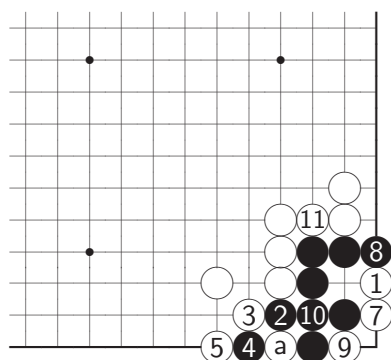
Correct

Variation 91 for White 2
 ⑦ at ①.



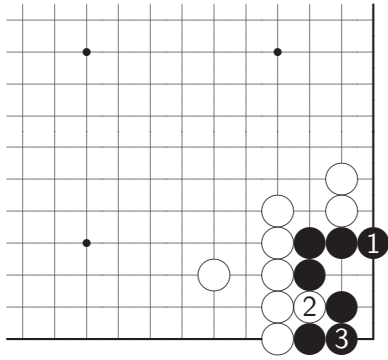
Correct

Variation 92 for White 2
 ⑦ at ①.



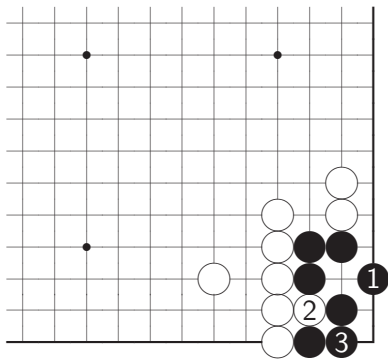
It's a ko, but Black can do better.

Variation 93 for White 2
 ⑥ at ①.



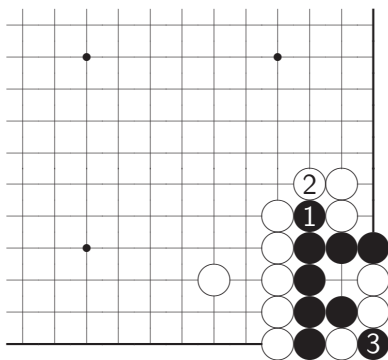
Variation 94 for Black 3

Correct



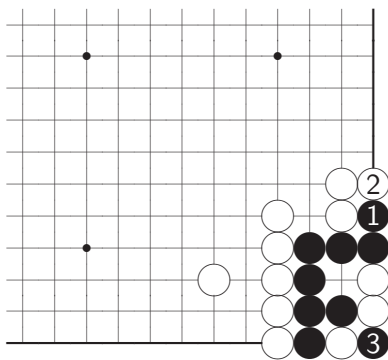
Variation 95 for Black 3

Correct



Variation 96 for Black 9

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 97 for Black 9

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

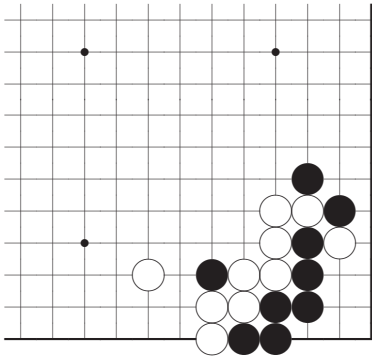


Diagram 56
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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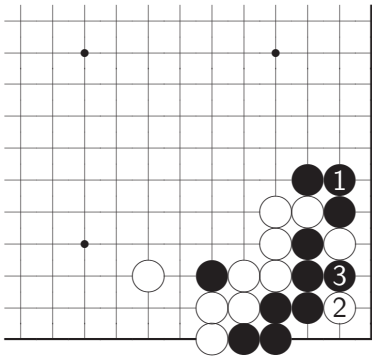
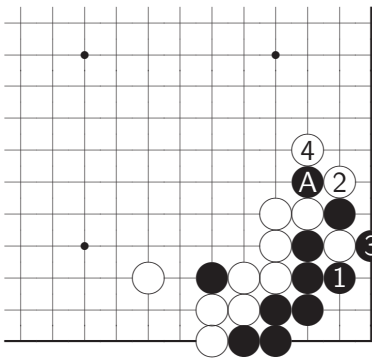


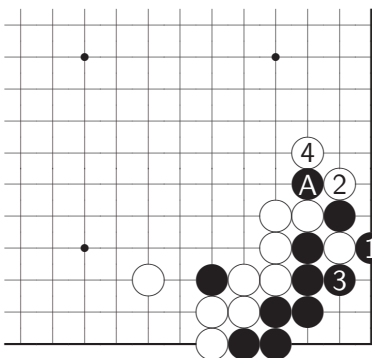
Diagram 57
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



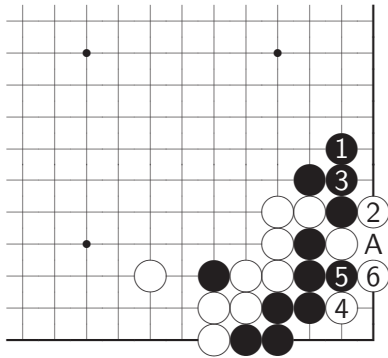
Variation 98 for Black 1

Ⓐ has been captured in a ladder. This result is bad for Black.



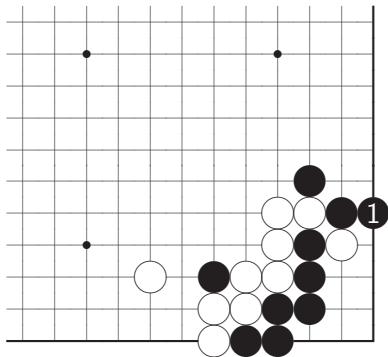
Variation 99 for Black 1

Ⓐ has been captured in a ladder. This result is bad for Black.



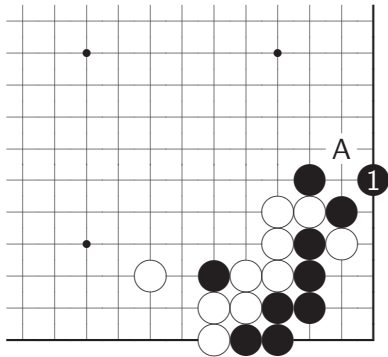
Variation 100 for Black 1

There's a ko at A, but Black can do better.



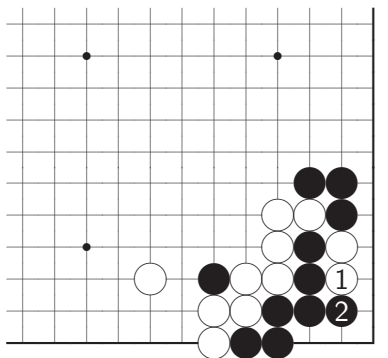
Variation 101 for Black 1

This is possible, but Black can do better.



Variation 102 for Black 1

This is possible, but Black can do better. White's peep at A will be sente.



Variation 103 for White 2

Correct

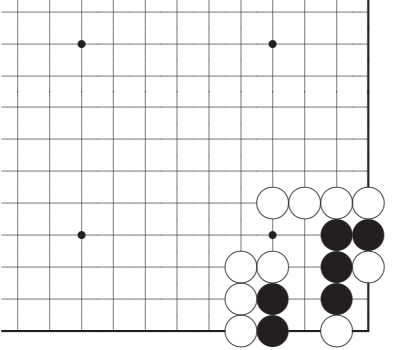


Diagram 58
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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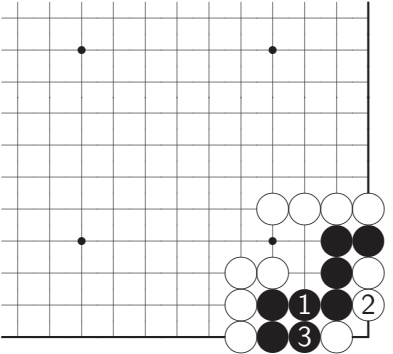
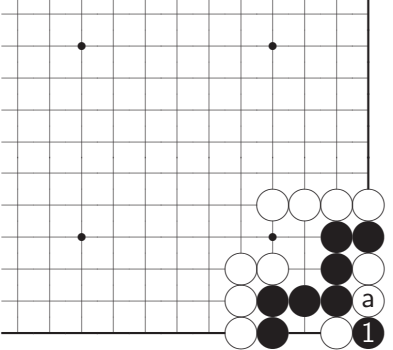


Diagram 59
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 104 for Black 3
② at ①.

It's bent four in the corner.

<http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>

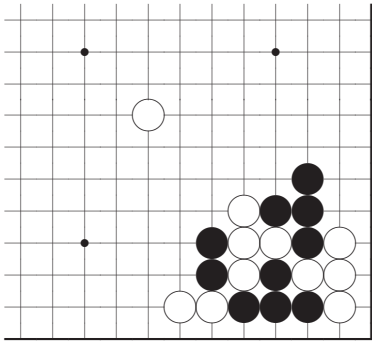


Diagram 60
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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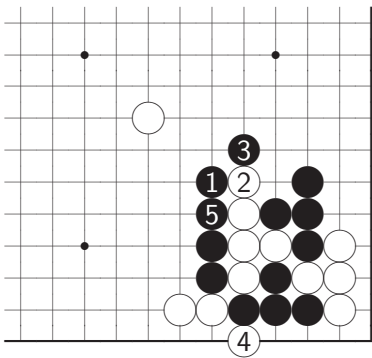
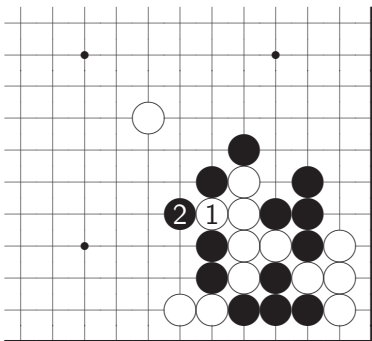


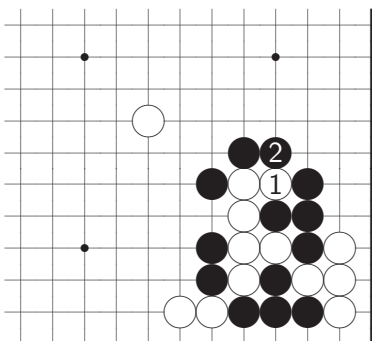
Diagram 61
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



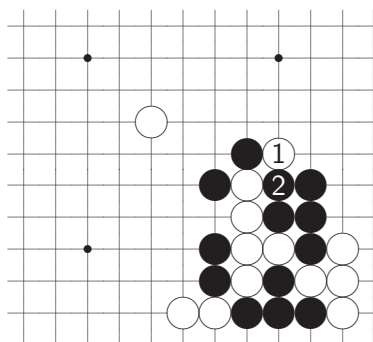
Variation 105 for White 4

Correct



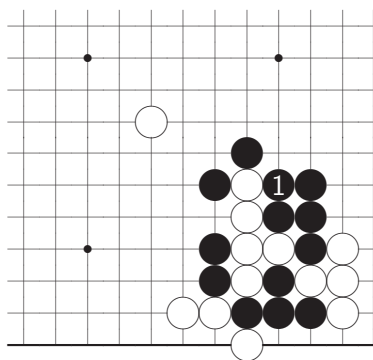
Variation 106 for White 4

Correct



Correct

Variation 107 for White 4



Correct

Variation 108 for Black 5

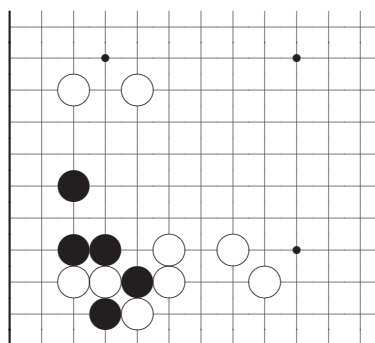


Diagram 62
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

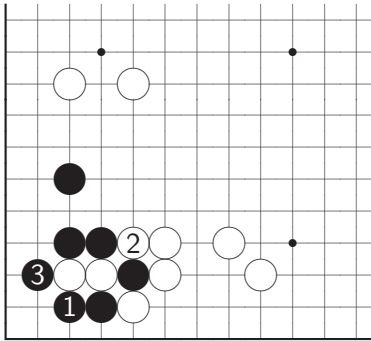
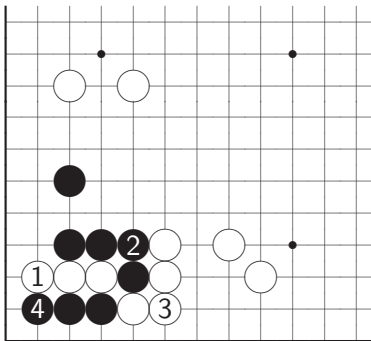


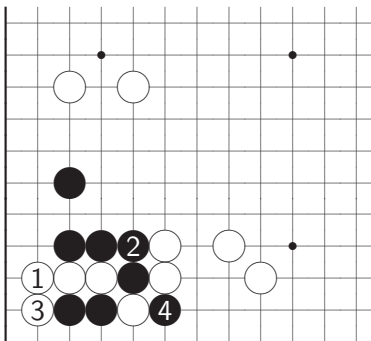
Diagram 63
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 109 for White 2

Correct



Variation 110 for White 2

Black to play.

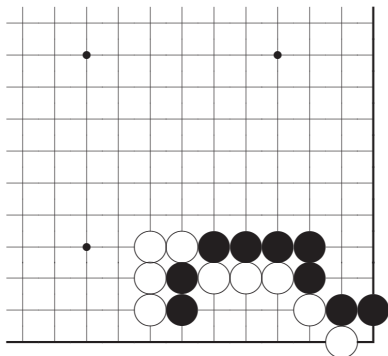
<https://gogameguru.com/>


Diagram 64
(Move: 1)

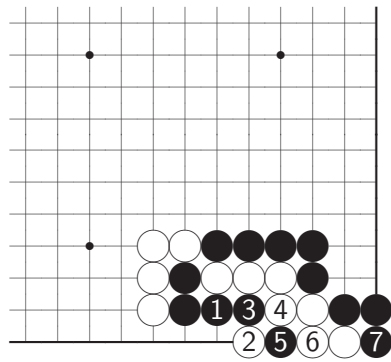
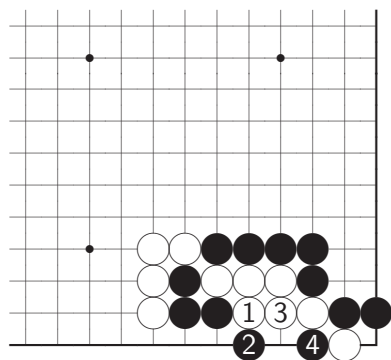


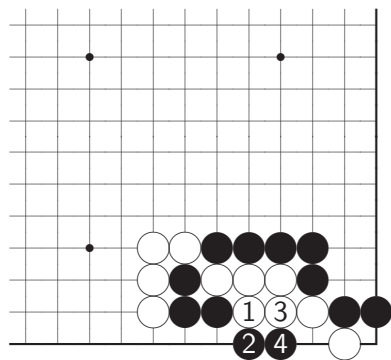
Diagram 65
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



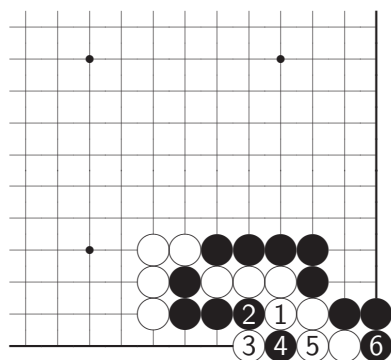
Variation 111 for White 2

Correct



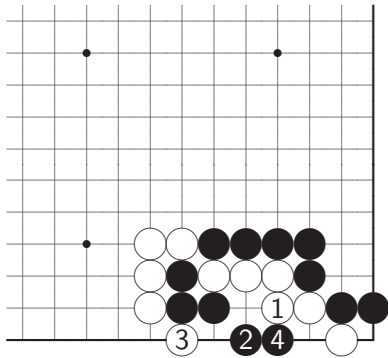
Variation 112 for White 2

Correct



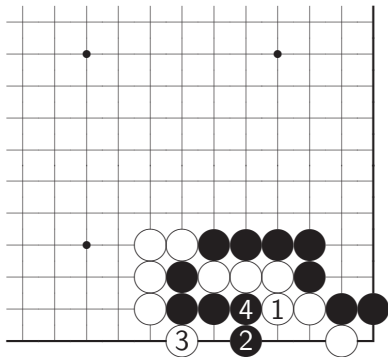
Variation 113 for White 2

Correct



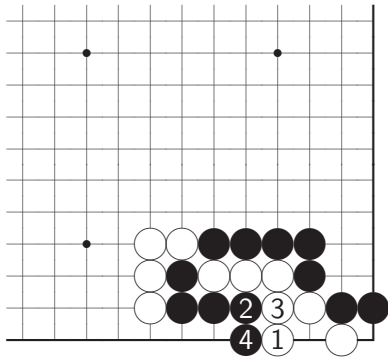
Variation 114 for White 2

Correct



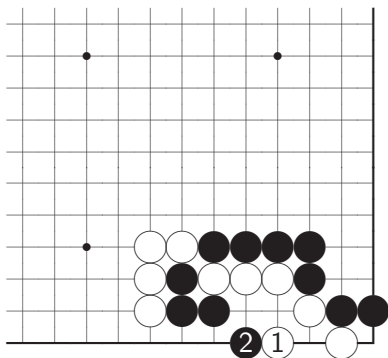
Variation 115 for White 2

Correct



Variation 116 for White 2

Correct



Variation 117 for White 2

Correct

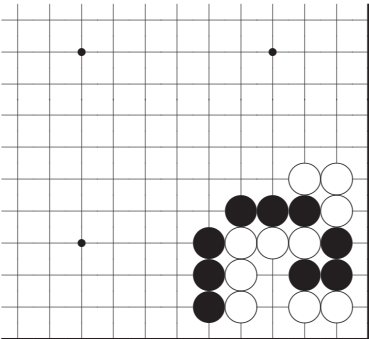


Diagram 66
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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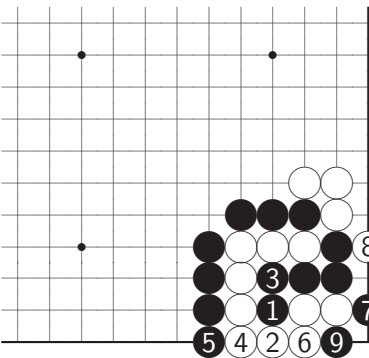
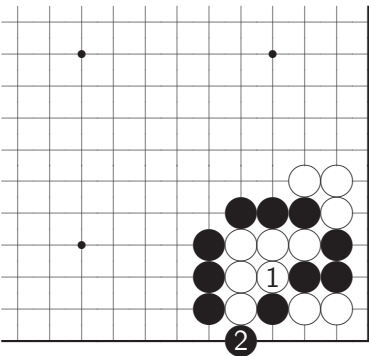


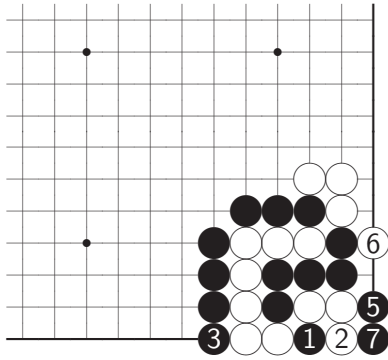
Diagram 67
(Moves: 1-9)

Correct



Variation 118 for White 2

Correct



Variation 119 for Black 5
 ④ at ①.

Correct

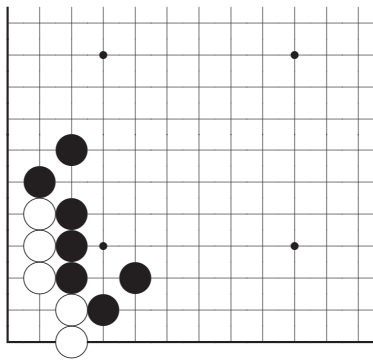


Diagram 68
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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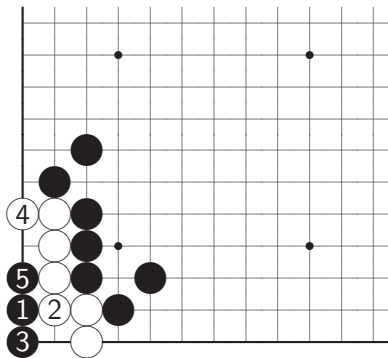


Diagram 69
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct.

It's a bent four in the corner:
<http://senseis.xmp.net/?BentFourInTheCorner>

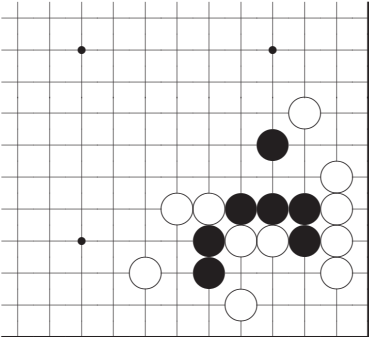


Diagram 70
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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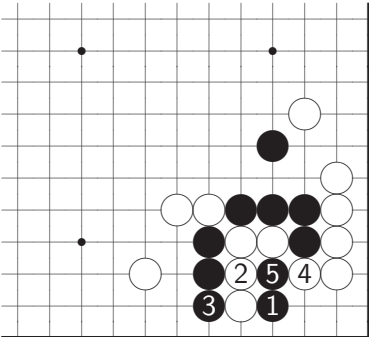
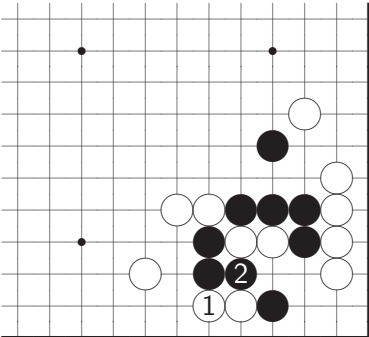


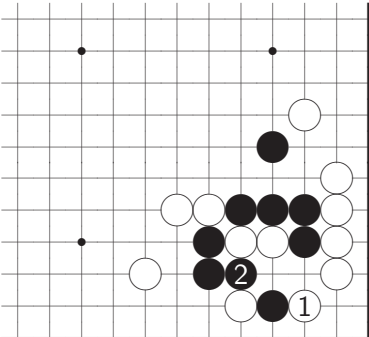
Diagram 71
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



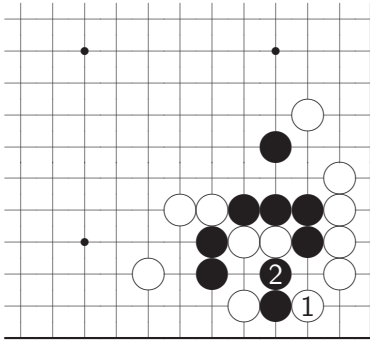
Variation 120 for White 2

Correct



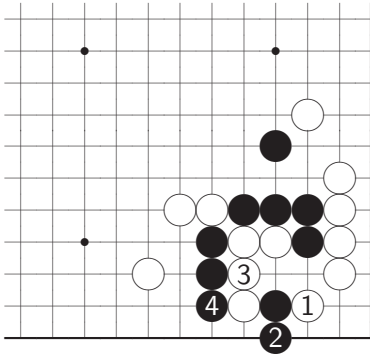
Variation 121 for White 2

Correct



Correct

Variation 122 for White 2



Correct

Variation 123 for White 2

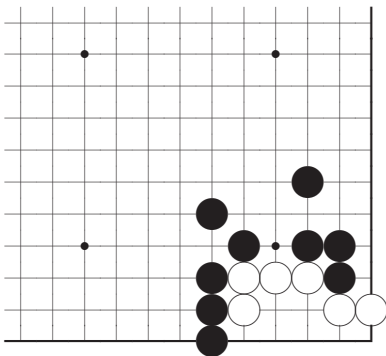


Diagram 72
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

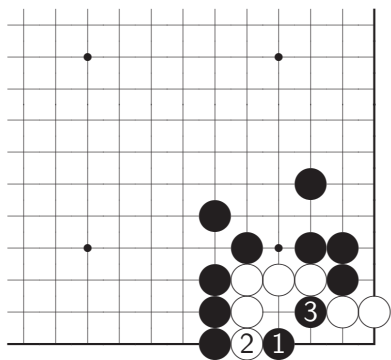
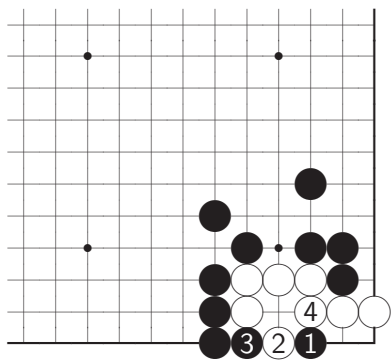
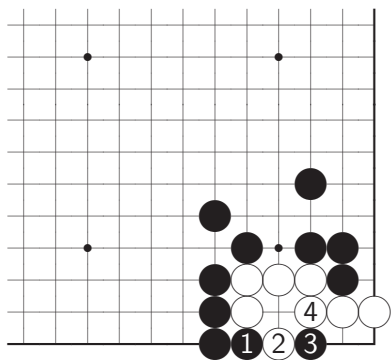


Diagram 73
(Moves: 1-3)



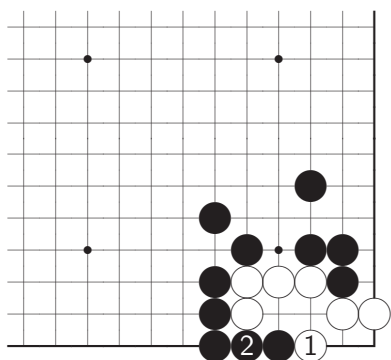
Variation 124 for Black 1

It' a ko, but Black can do better.



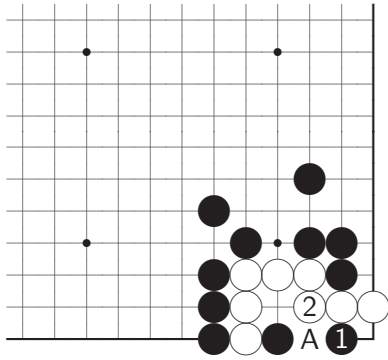
Variation 125 for Black 1

It' a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 126 for White 2

Correct



Variation 127 for Black 3

White's alive. Even if Black connects at A next, White's already alive in seki.

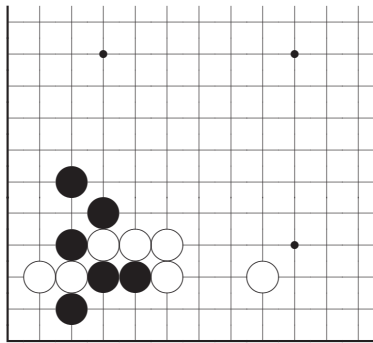


Diagram 74
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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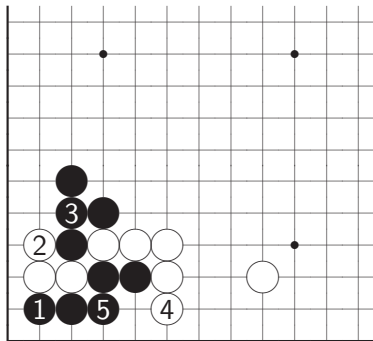
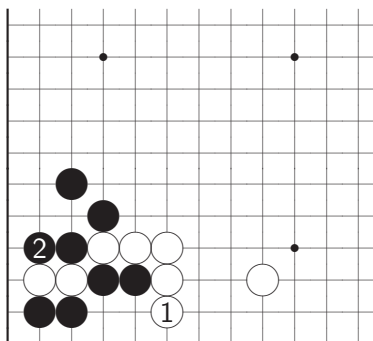


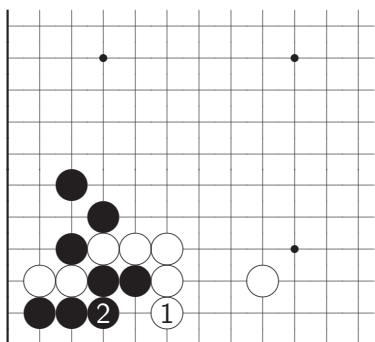
Diagram 75
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



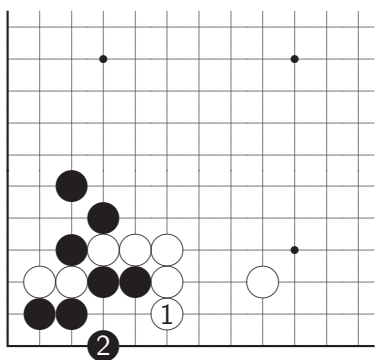
Variation 128 for White 2

Correct



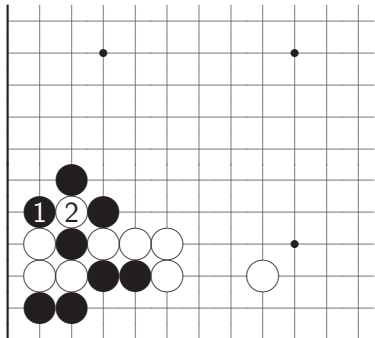
Correct

Variation 129 for White 2



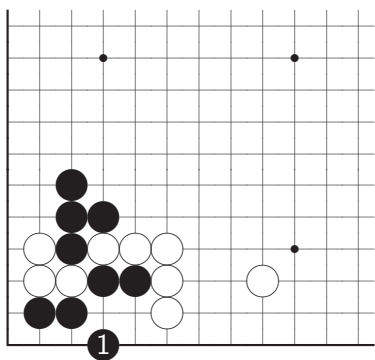
Correct

Variation 130 for White 2



It's a ko, but Black can do better.

Variation 131 for Black 3



Correct

Variation 132 for Black 5

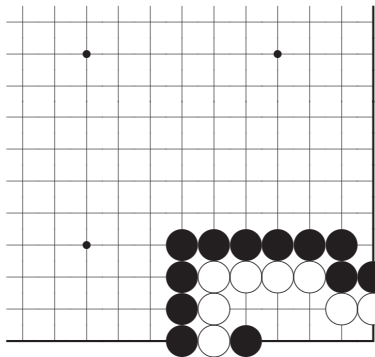


Diagram 76
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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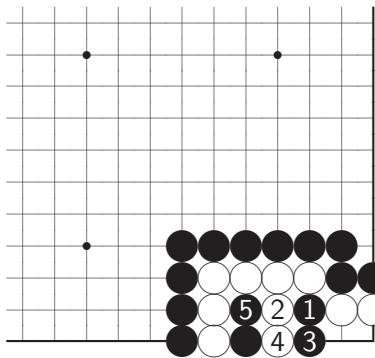
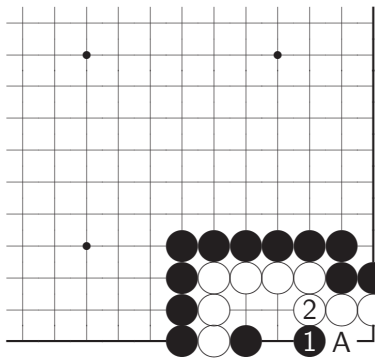


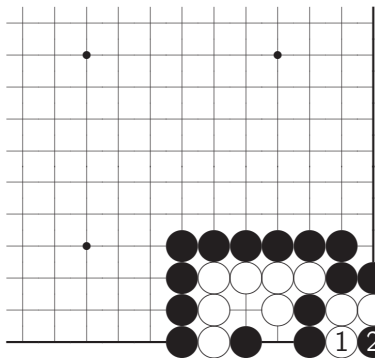
Diagram 77
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 133 for Black 1

White's alive. Even if Black plays at A next, White's already alive in seki.



Variation 134 for White 4

Correct

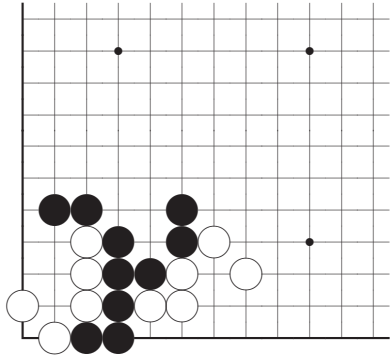


Diagram 78
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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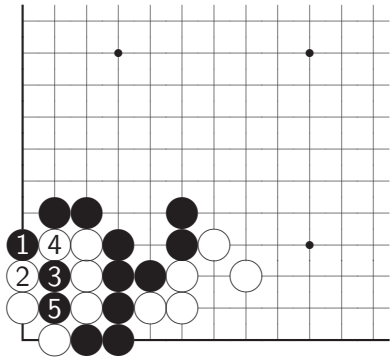
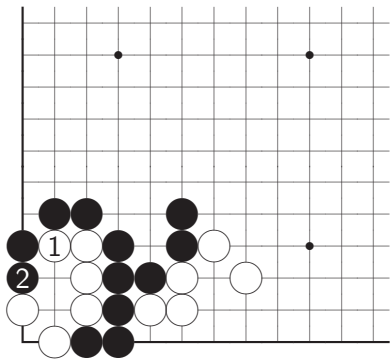


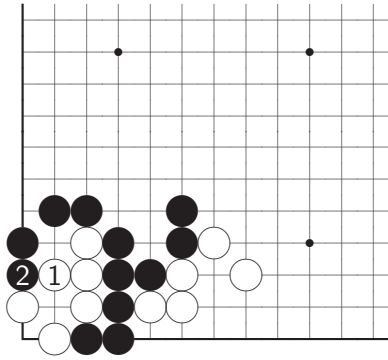
Diagram 79
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



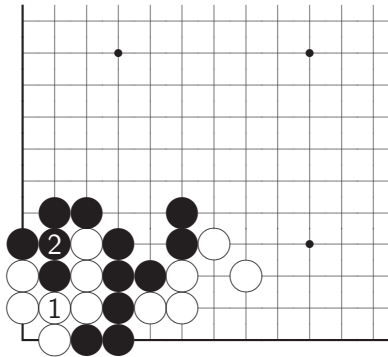
Variation 135 for White 2

Correct



Variation 136 for White 2

Correct



Variation 137 for White 4

Correct

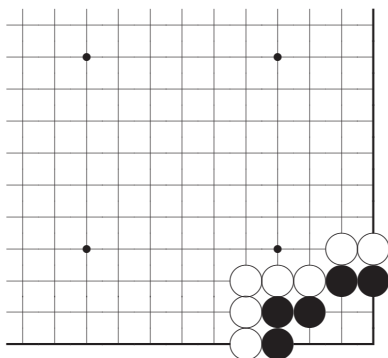


Diagram 80
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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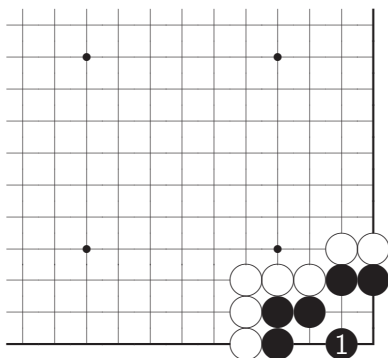
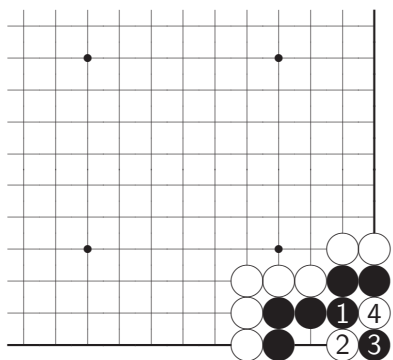


Diagram 81
(Move: 1)

Correct



Variation 138 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

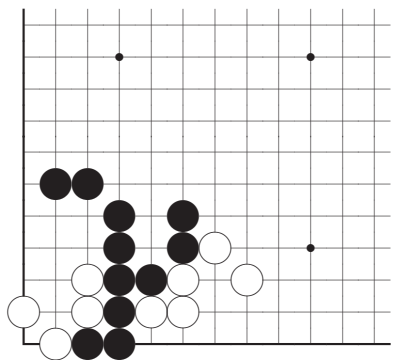


Diagram 82
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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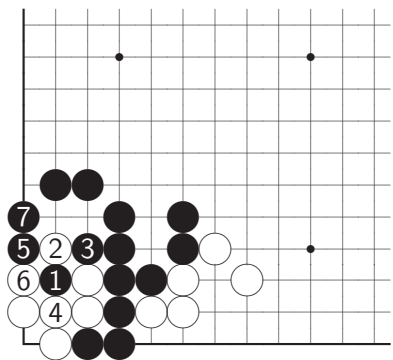


Diagram 83
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct

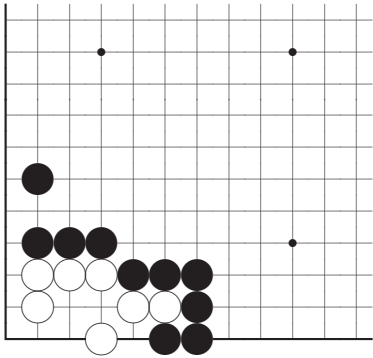


Diagram 84
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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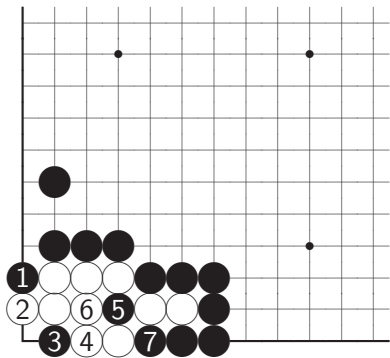


Diagram 85
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct

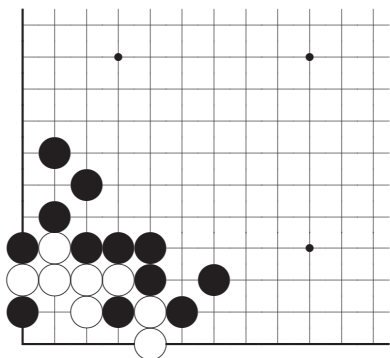


Diagram 86
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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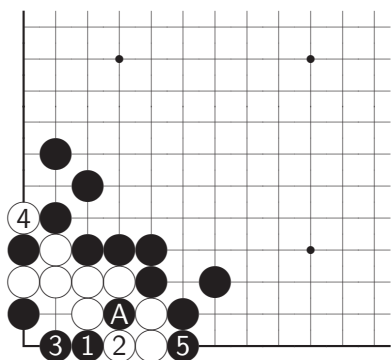
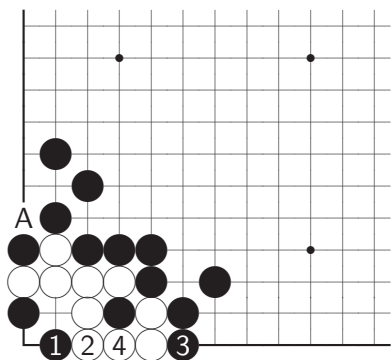


Diagram 87
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct. Even if White connects at A next, she'll lose the capturing race because it's 'one eye vs no eye'.



Variation 139 for Black 1

Even if Black connects at A next, White's already alive in seki.

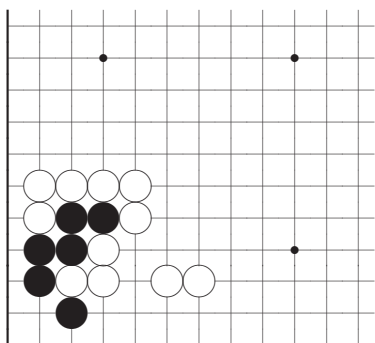


Diagram 88
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

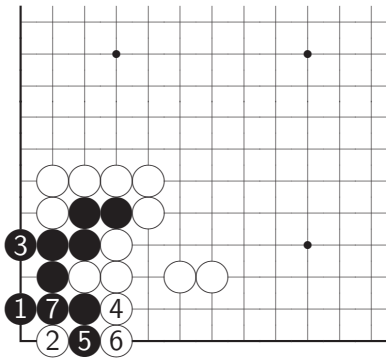
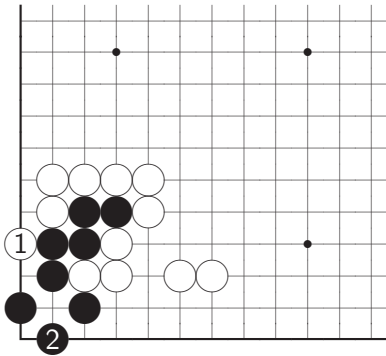


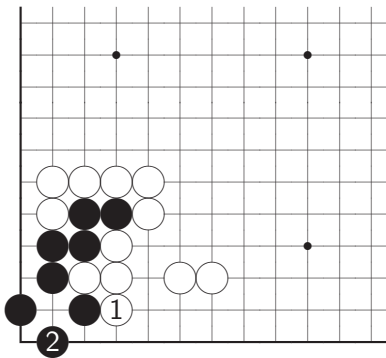
Diagram 89
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



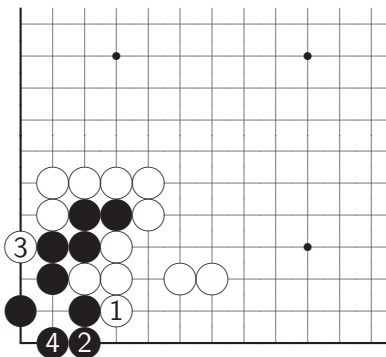
Variation 140 for White 2

Correct

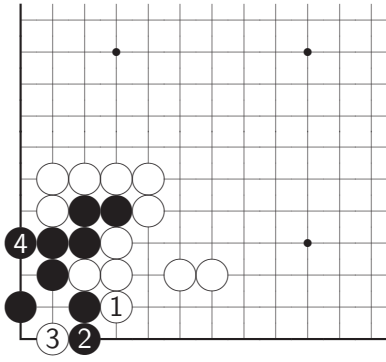


Variation 141 for White 2

Correct

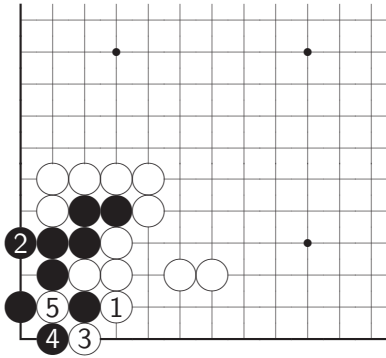


Variation 142 for White 2



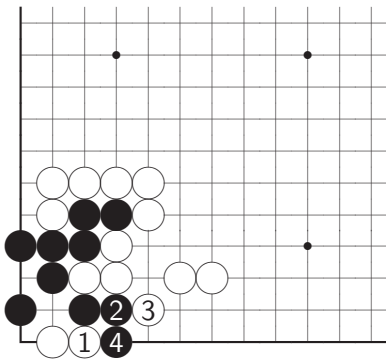
Variation 143 for White 2

Correct



Variation 144 for White 2

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 145 for White 4

Correct

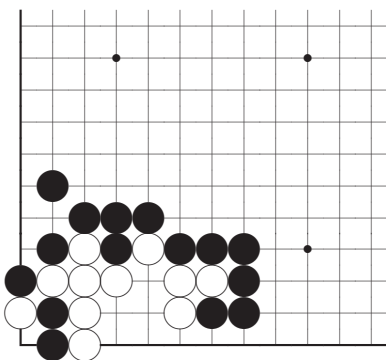


Diagram 90
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

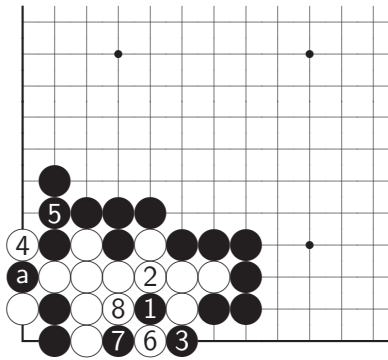
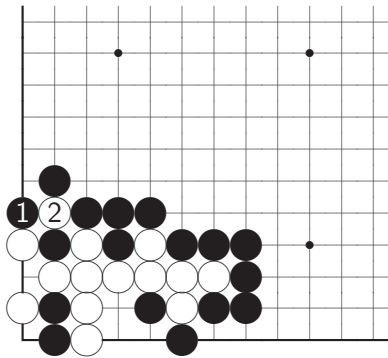
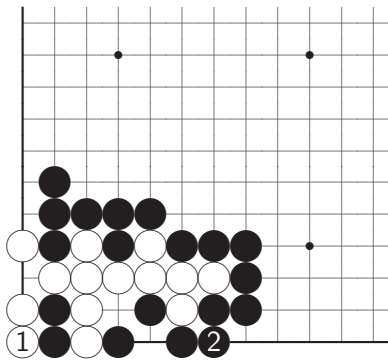


Diagram 91
(Moves: 1-9)
● 9 at a.



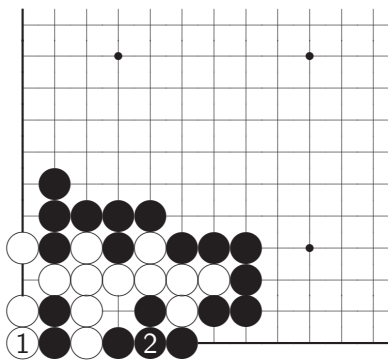
Variation 146 for Black 5

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 147 for White 8

Correct



Variation 148 for White 8

Correct

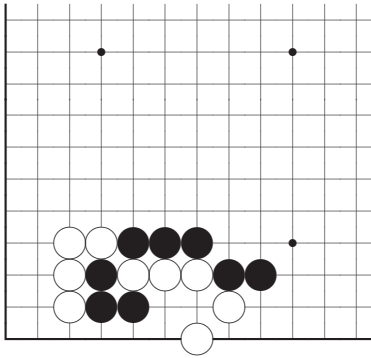


Diagram 92
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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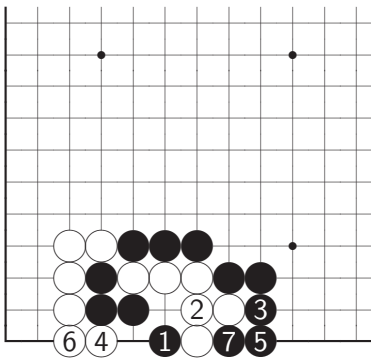
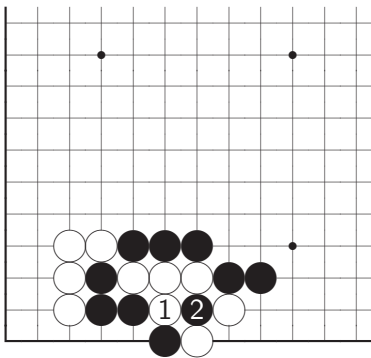


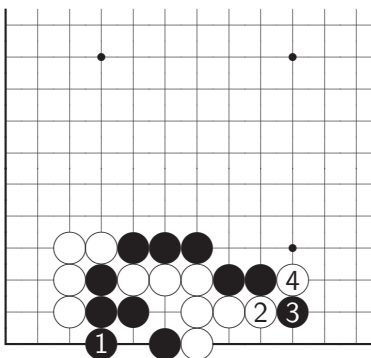
Diagram 93
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



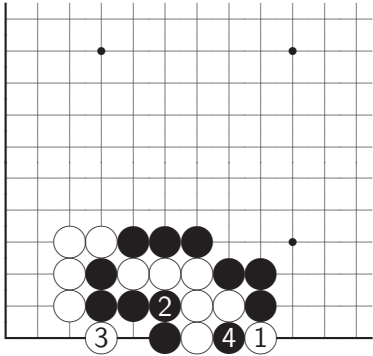
Variation 149 for White 2

Correct



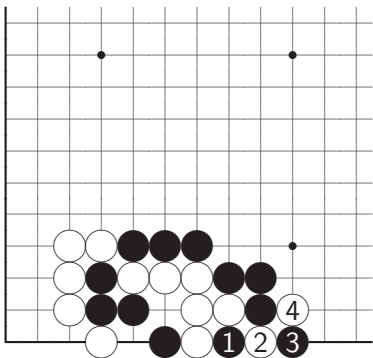
Variation 150 for Black 3

Black's position on the outside is falling apart.



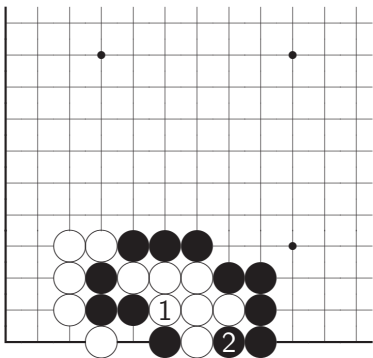
Variation 151 for White 4

Correct



Variation 152 for Black 5

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 153 for White 6

Correct

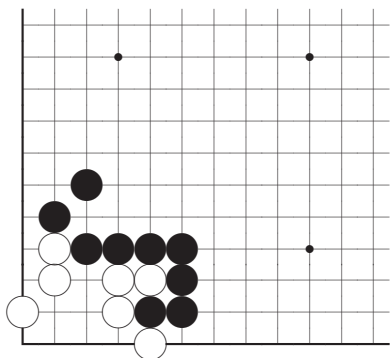


Diagram 94
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

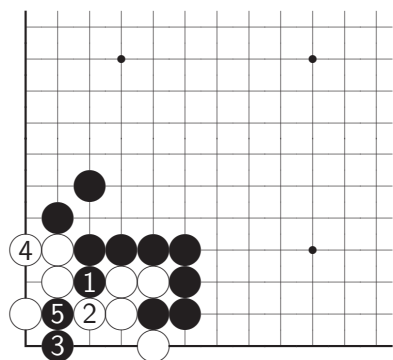
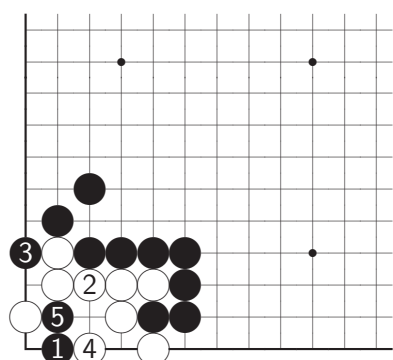


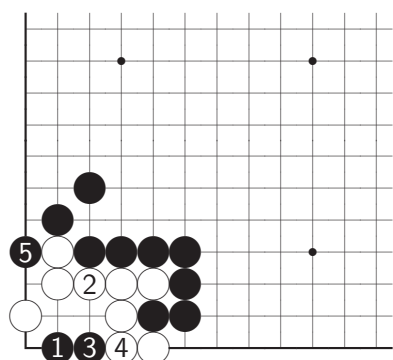
Diagram 95
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



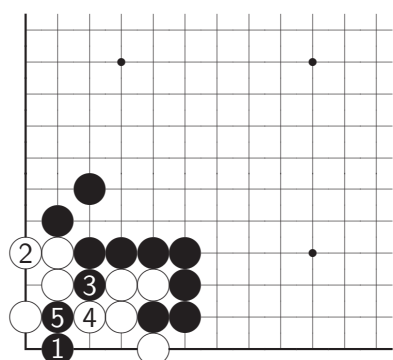
Variation 154 for Black 1

Correct

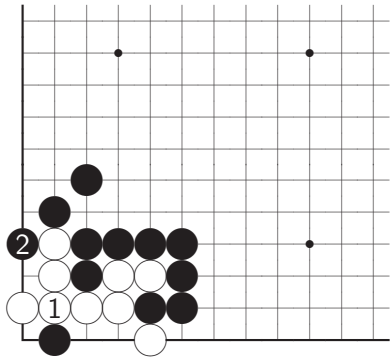


Variation 155 for Black 1

Correct



Variation 156 for Black 1



Variation 157 for White 4

Correct

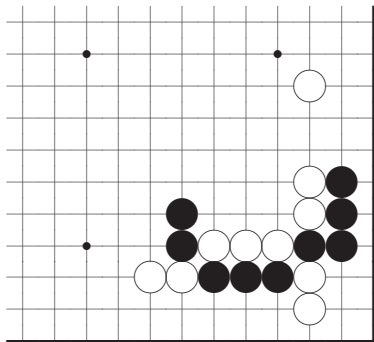


Diagram 96
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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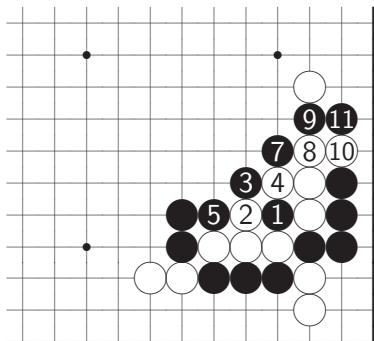
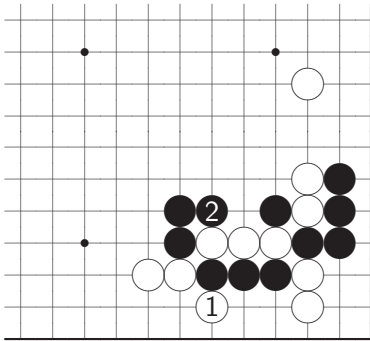


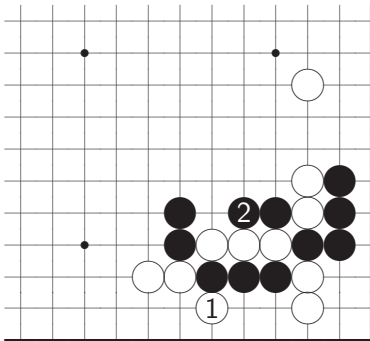
Diagram 97
(Moves: 1-11)
⑥ at ❶.

Correct



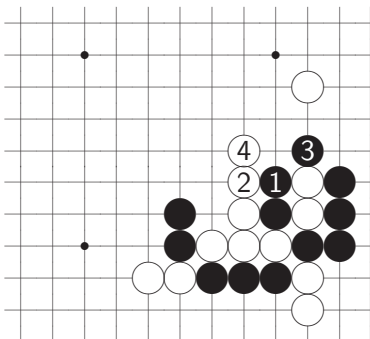
Variation 158 for White 2

Correct



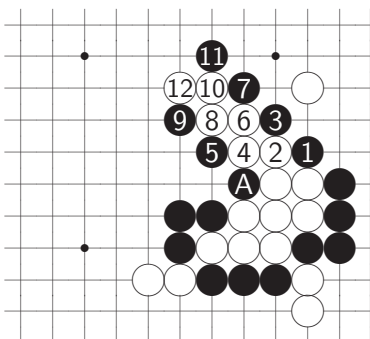
Variation 159 for White 2

Correct



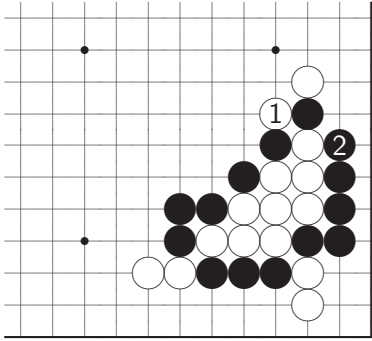
Variation 160 for Black 3

Black can do better.



Variation 161 for Black 7

This ladder doesn't work for Black, because **A** is in atari.



Correct

Variation 162 for White 10

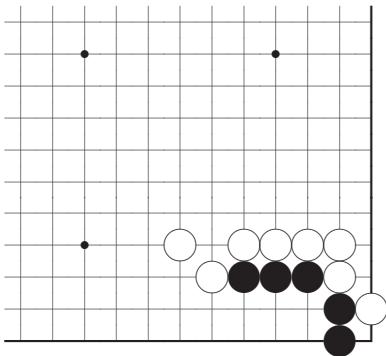


Diagram 98
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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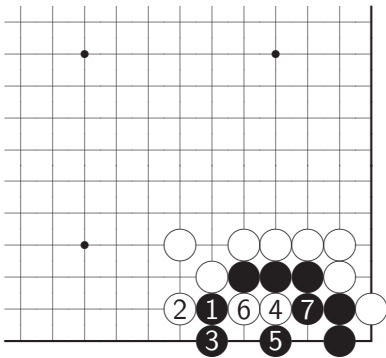
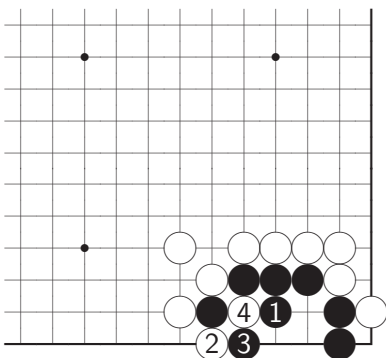


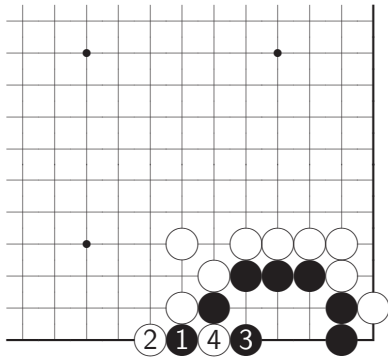
Diagram 99
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



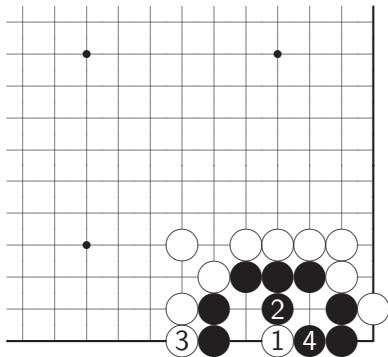
Variation 163 for Black 3

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



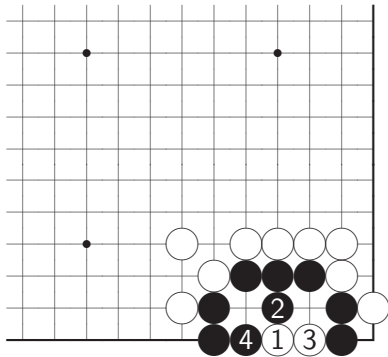
Variation 164 for Black 3

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



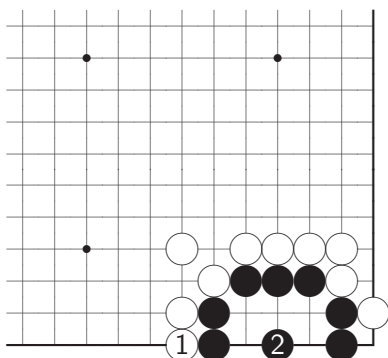
Variation 165 for White 4

Correct



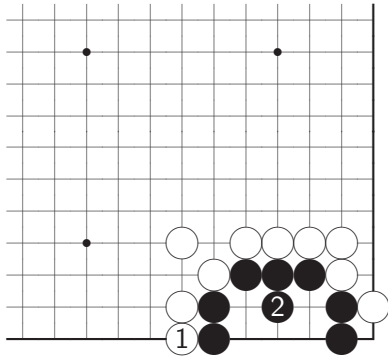
Variation 166 for White 4

Correct



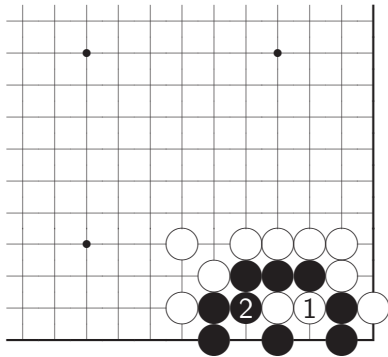
Variation 167 for White 4

Correct



Variation 168 for White 4

Correct



Variation 169 for White 6

Correct

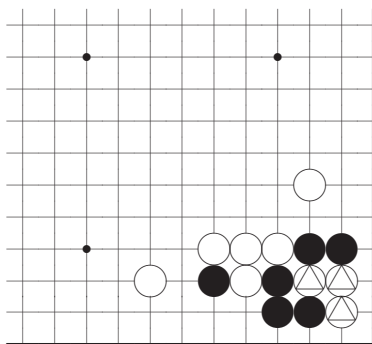


Diagram 100
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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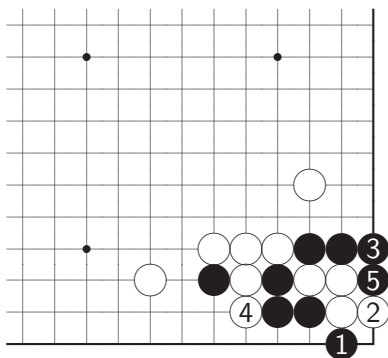
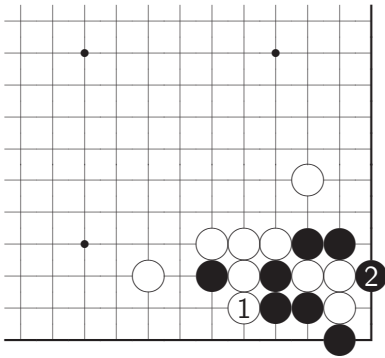


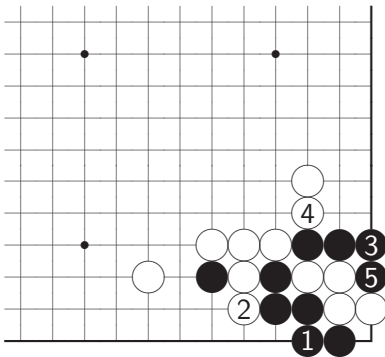
Diagram 101
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



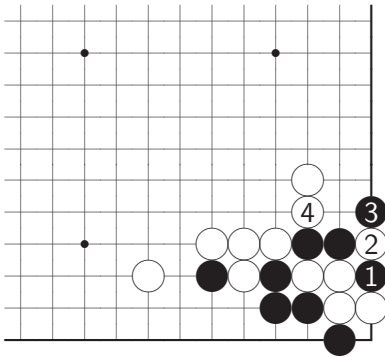
Variation 170 for White 2

Correct



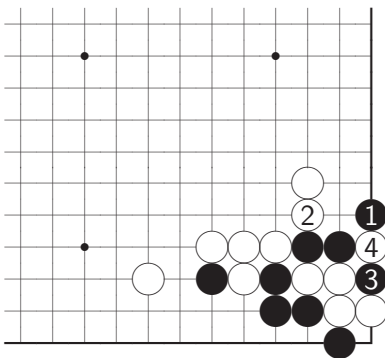
Variation 171 for Black 3

This is also possible, but Black can do better.



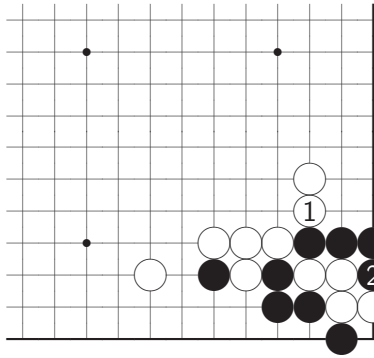
Variation 172 for Black 3

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

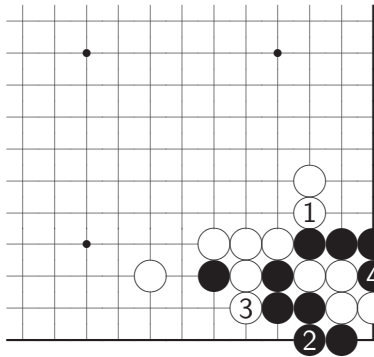


Variation 173 for Black 3

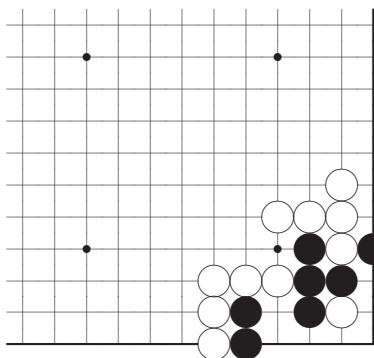
It's a ko, but Black can do better.



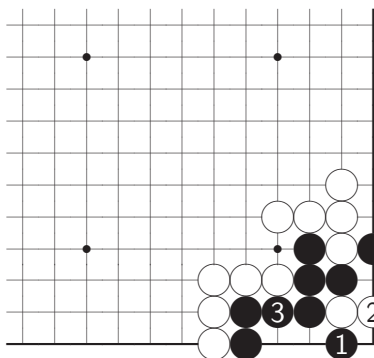
Correct

Variation 174 for White 4

This is also possible, but Black can do better.

Variation 175 for White 4

Black to play.

<https://gogameguru.com/>**Diagram 102**
(Move: 1)

Correct

Diagram 103
(Moves: 1-3)

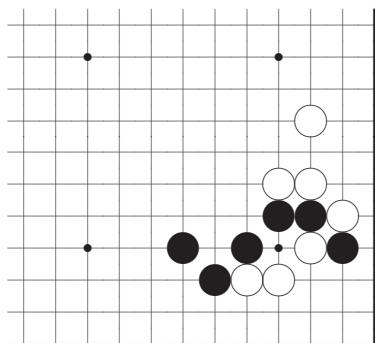


Diagram 104
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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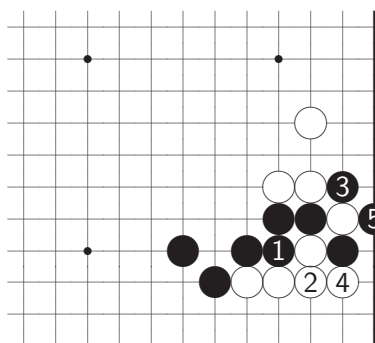
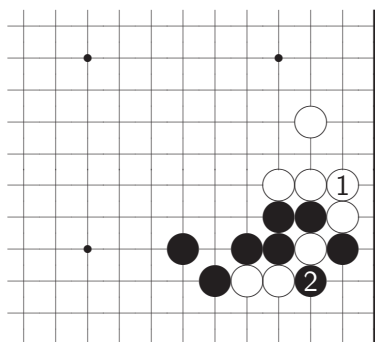


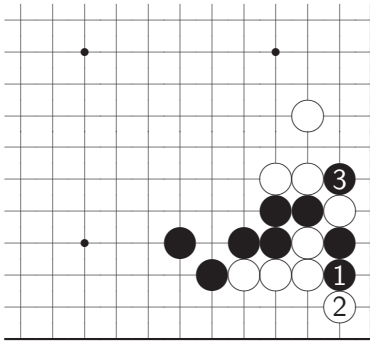
Diagram 105
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



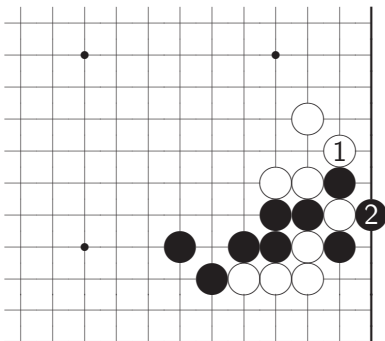
Variation 176 for White 2

Correct



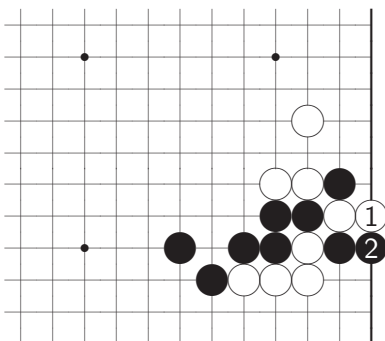
Variation 177 for Black 3

Also correct.



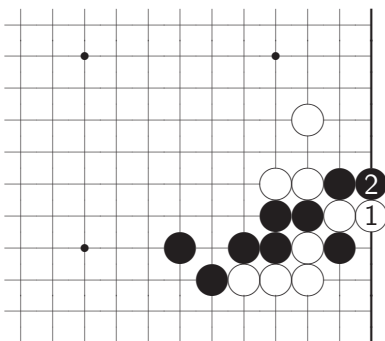
Variation 178 for White 4

Correct



Variation 179 for White 4

Correct



Variation 180 for White 4

Correct

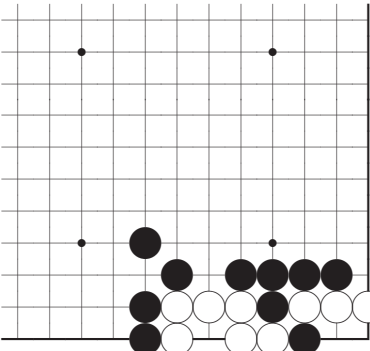


Diagram 106
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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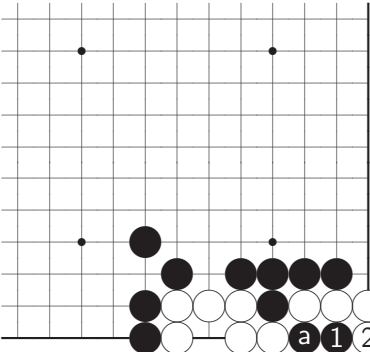


Diagram 107
(Moves: 1-3)
③ at a.

Correct

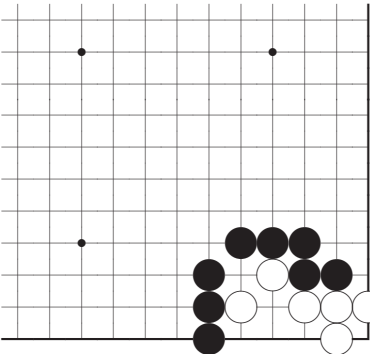


Diagram 108
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

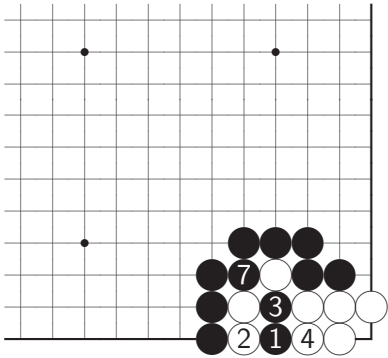


Diagram 109
(Moves: 1-7)

⑤ at ③,
⑥ at ①.

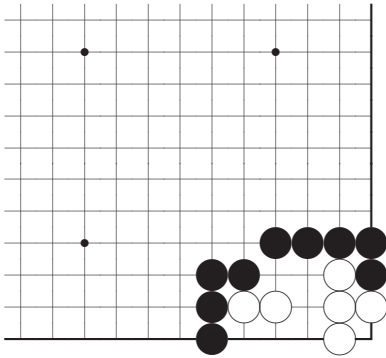


Diagram 110
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

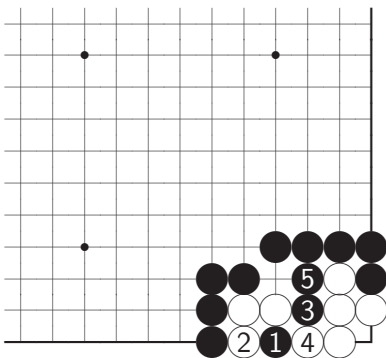
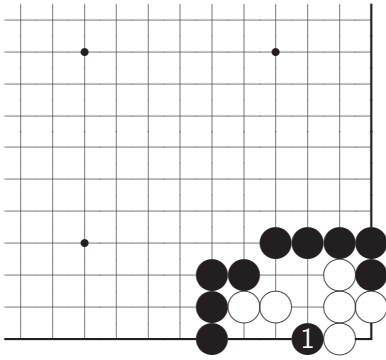
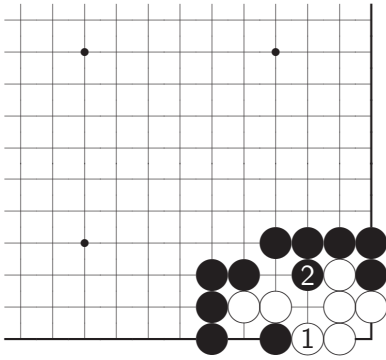


Diagram 111
(Moves: 1-5)



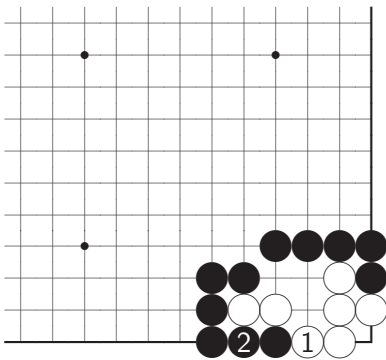
Variation 181 for Black 1

White's already alive.



Variation 182 for White 2

Correct



Variation 183 for White 2

Correct

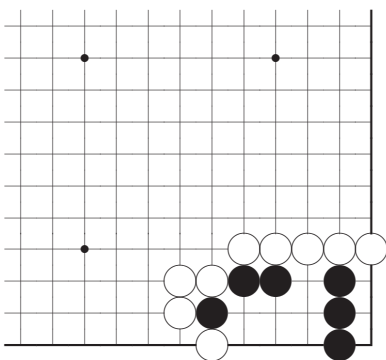


Diagram 112
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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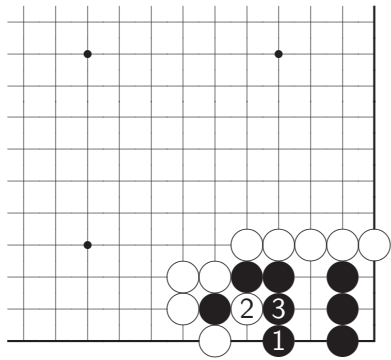
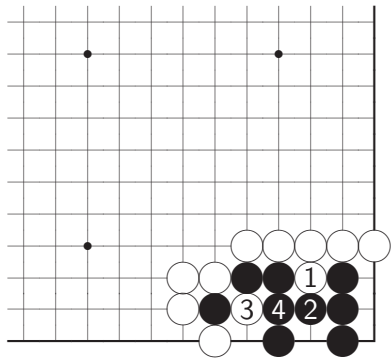


Diagram 113
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 184 for White 2

Correct

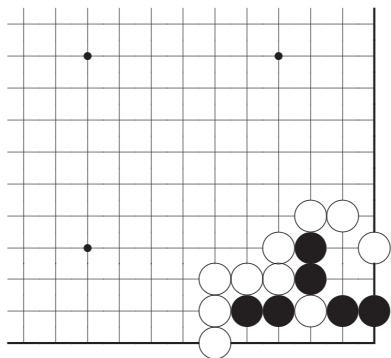


Diagram 114
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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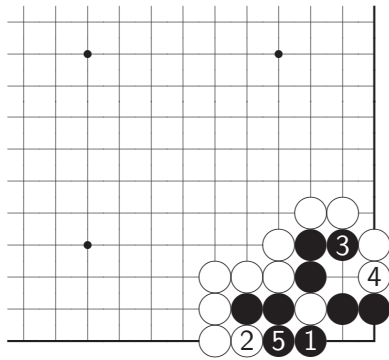
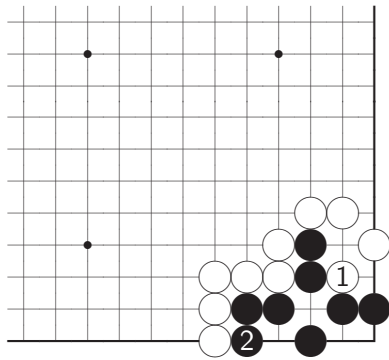


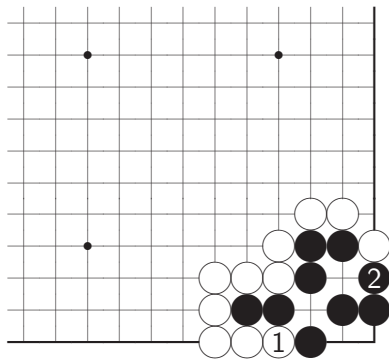
Diagram 115
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 185 for White 2

Correct



Variation 186 for White 4

Correct

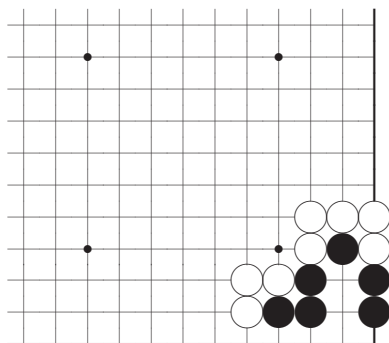


Diagram 116
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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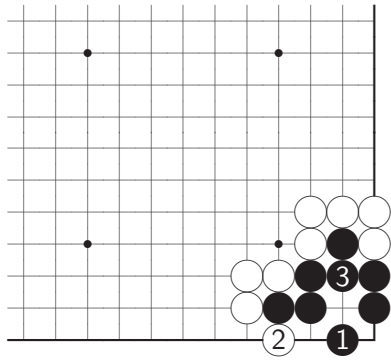
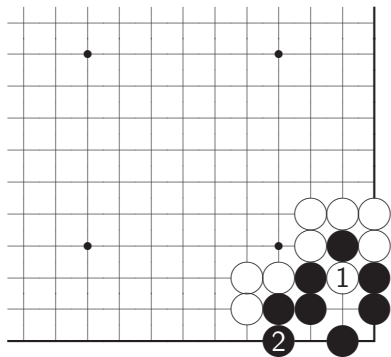


Diagram 117
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 187 for White 2

Correct

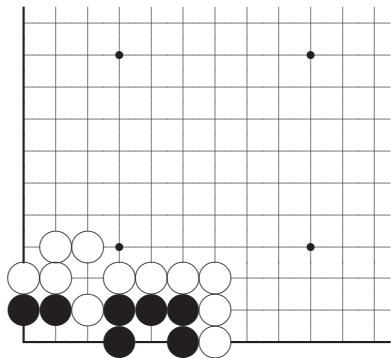


Diagram 118
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

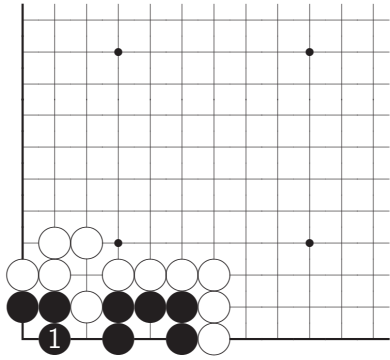
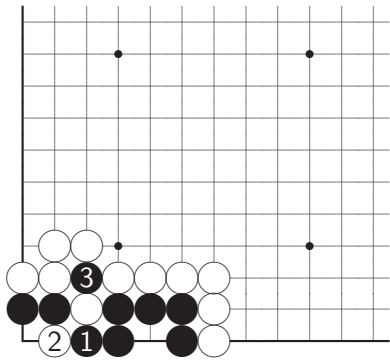
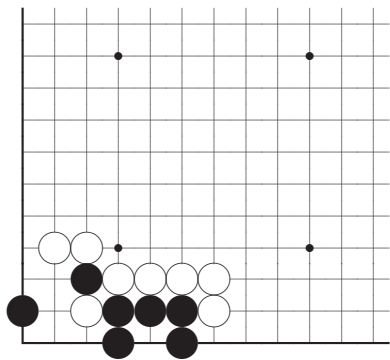


Diagram 119
(Move: 1)



Variation 188 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Correct

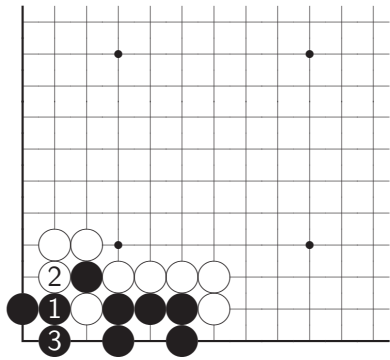
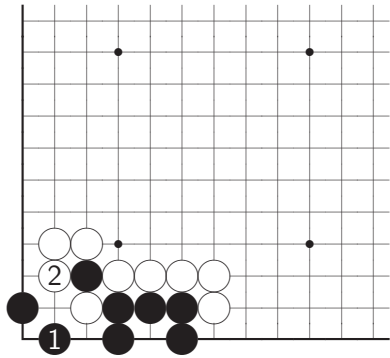


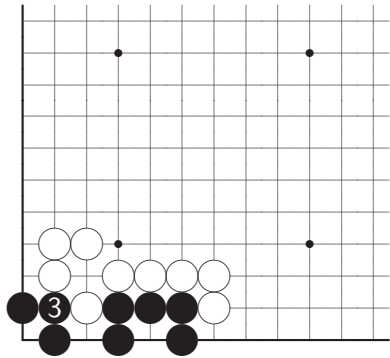
Diagram 121
(Moves: 1-3)

White got tricked...



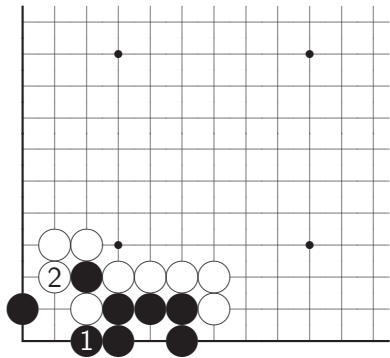
Variation 189 for Black 1

...Black shouldn't live, but does with this move.

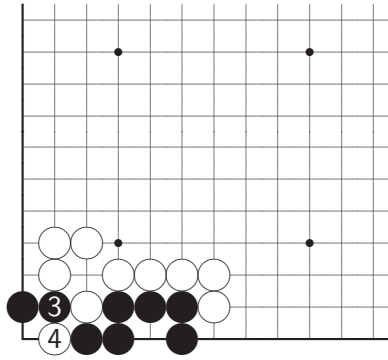


Variation 190 for Black 1

This move is a mistake for White...

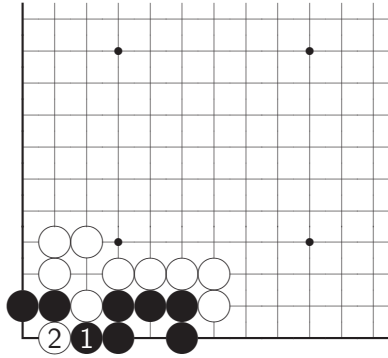


Variation 191 for Black 1



Variation 192 for Black 1

It's a ko.



Variation 193 for Black 3

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

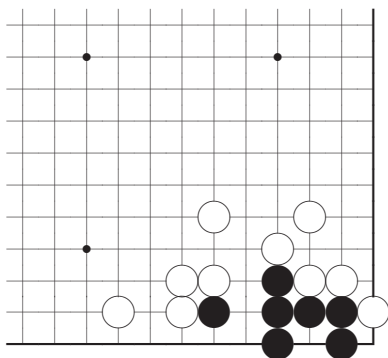


Diagram 122
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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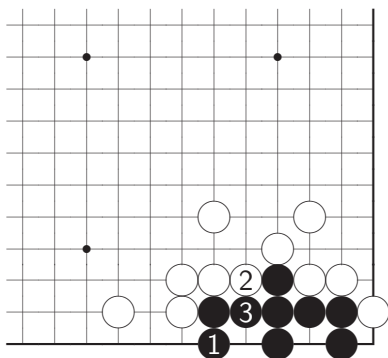
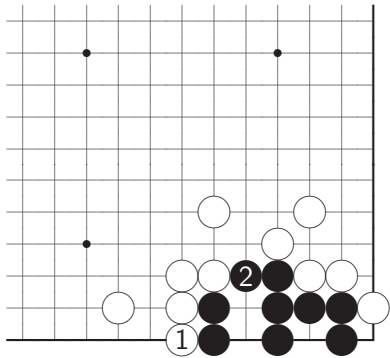


Diagram 123
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 194 for White 2

Correct

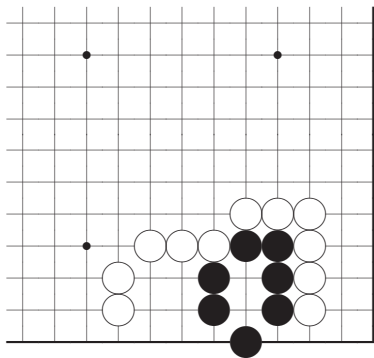


Diagram 124
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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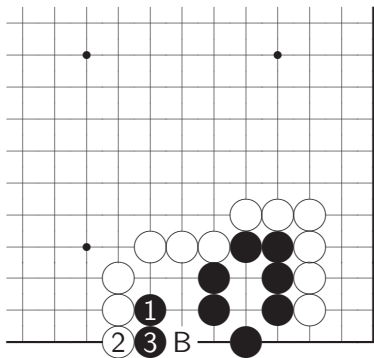
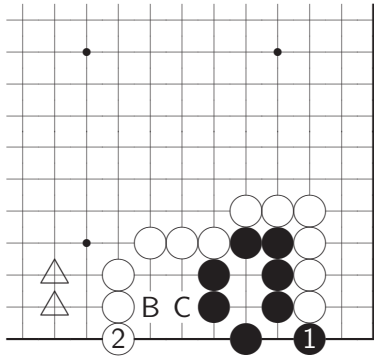


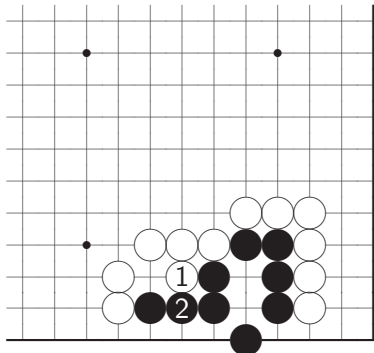
Diagram 125
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct, if Black ignores A, White can play at B.



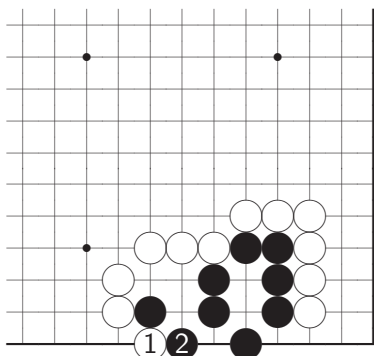
Variation 195 for Black 1

A could also be a move like B or C, but A is as far away as possible to provide a greater benefit in the marked area.



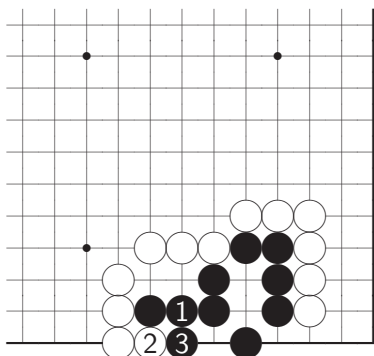
Variation 196 for White 2

Correct



Variation 197 for White 2

Correct



Variation 198 for Black 3

Correct, Black could also play A at B to live with one more point.



Diagram 126
(Move: 1)



Diagram 127
(Move: 1)



Diagram 128
(Move: 1)

Correct

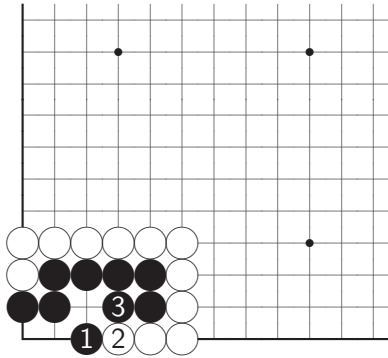
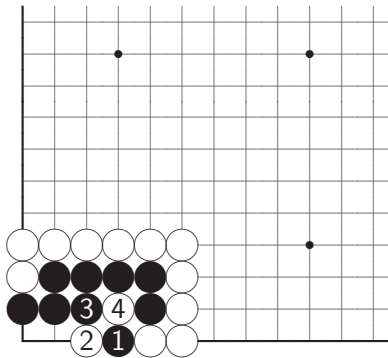
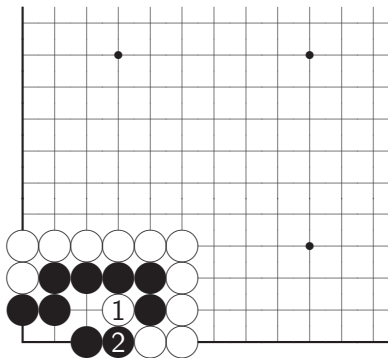


Diagram 129
(Moves: 1-3)



Variation 199 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 200 for White 2

Correct, but White just gives away two points by playing this way.

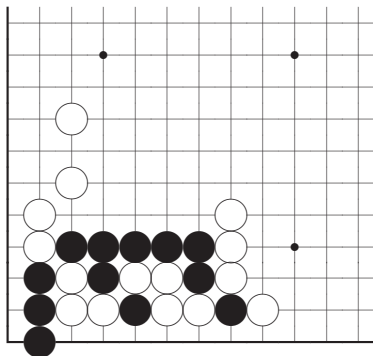


Diagram 130
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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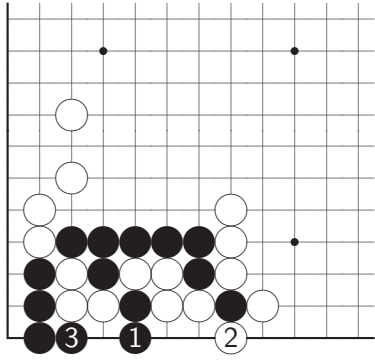
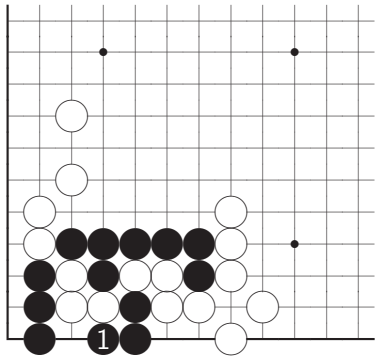


Diagram 131
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 201 for Black 3

Correct

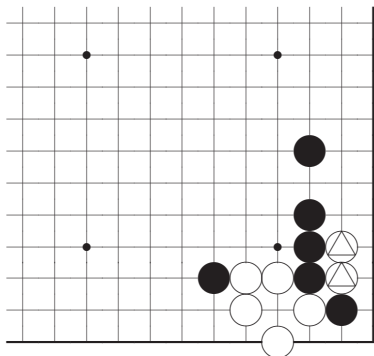


Diagram 132
(Move: 1)

Black to play. Can you find a way to capture White's two stones?

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Correct

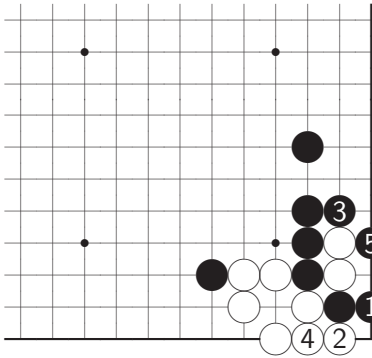
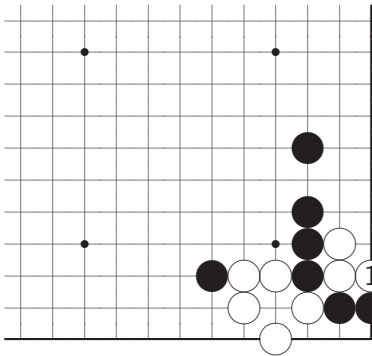


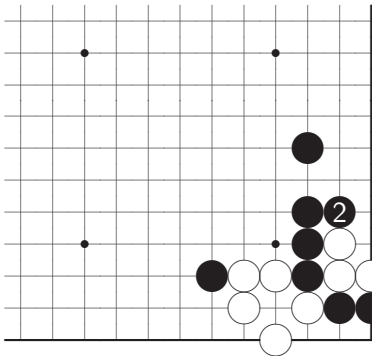
Diagram 133
(Moves: 1-5)

White can't play here either...



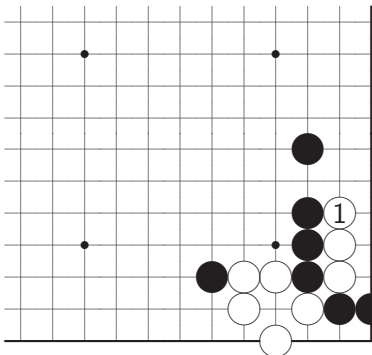
Variation 202 for White 2

Correct

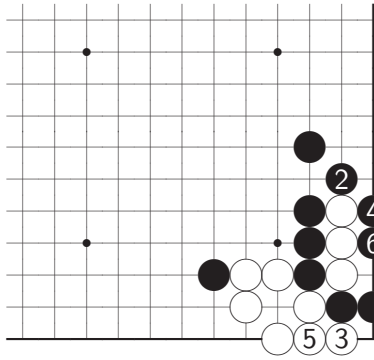


Variation 203 for White 2

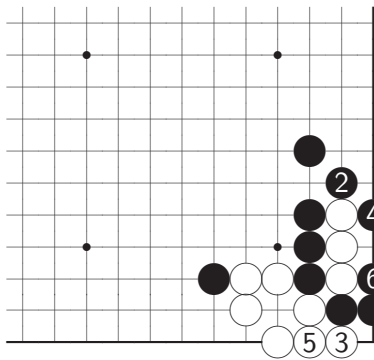
White can't get more liberties, so this doesn't change anything...



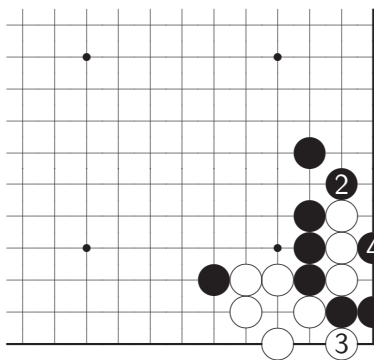
Variation 204 for White 2



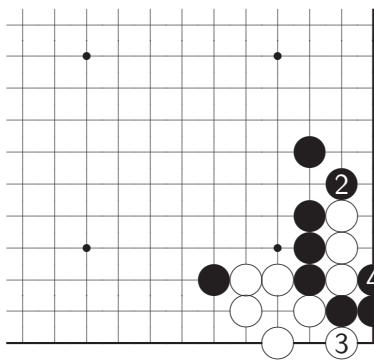
Correct

Variation 205 for White 2

Correct

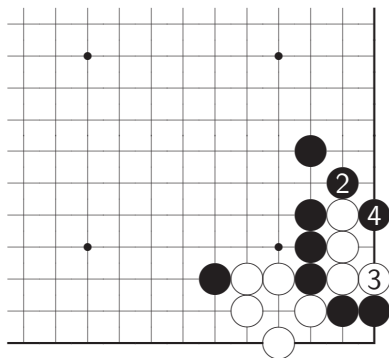
Variation 206 for White 2

Correct

Variation 207 for White 2

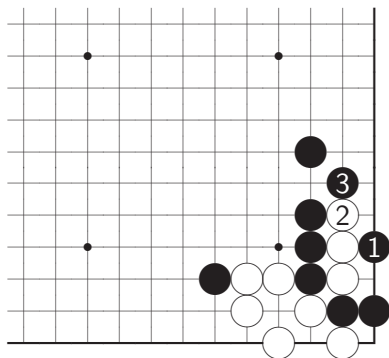
Correct

Variation 208 for White 2



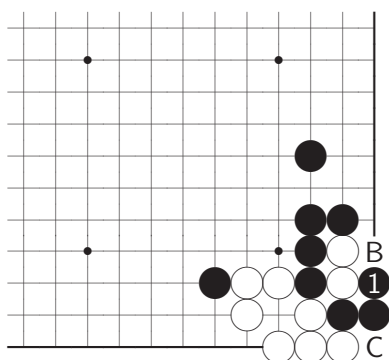
Variation 209 for White 2

Correct



Variation 210 for Black 3

Correct



Variation 211 for Black 5

Also correct. Playing A at B is better style though because White might play C as a ko threat later. If you ignore the ko threat, would you rather lose two stones or three?

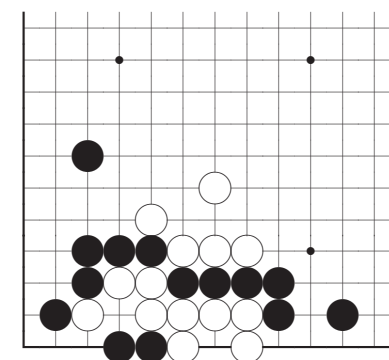


Diagram 134
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

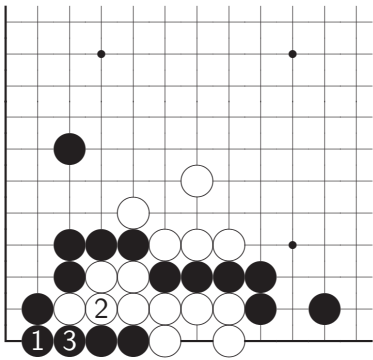
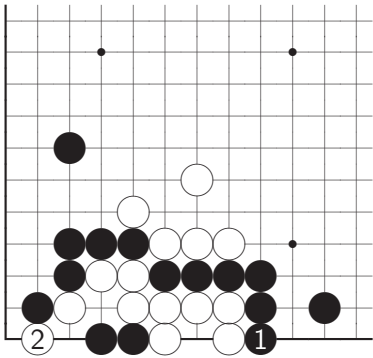
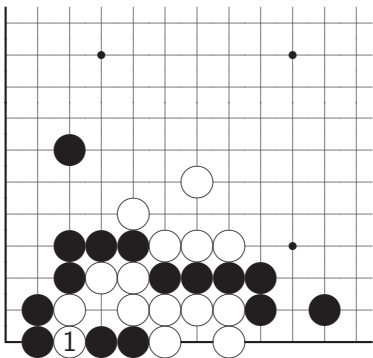


Diagram 135
(Moves: 1-3)



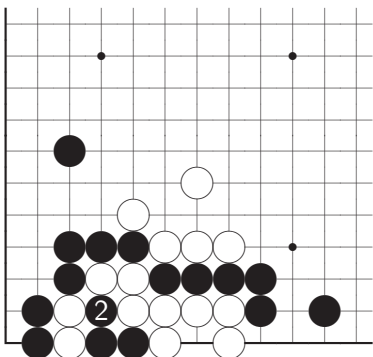
Variation 212 for Black 1

White's alive.



Variation 213 for White 2

White can't play here...



Variation 214 for White 2

Correct

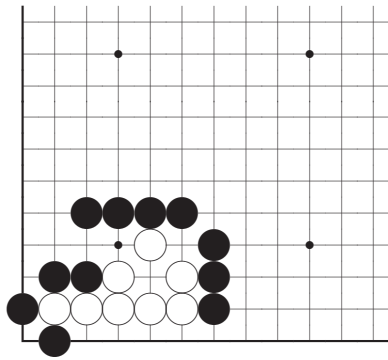


Diagram 136
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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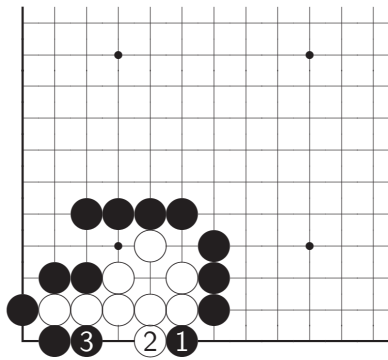
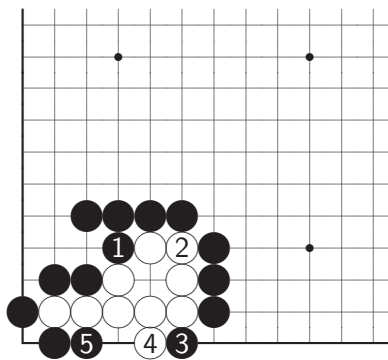


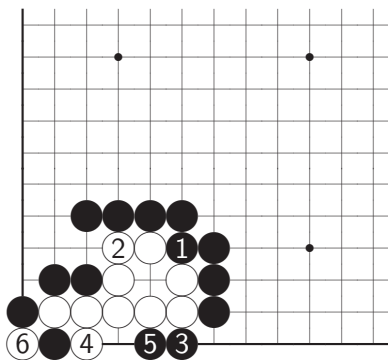
Diagram 137
(Moves: 1-3)

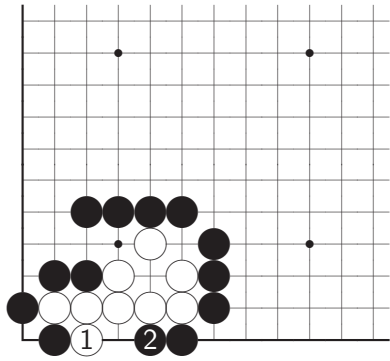
Correct



Variation 215 for Black 1

Correct





Variation 217 for White 2

Correct

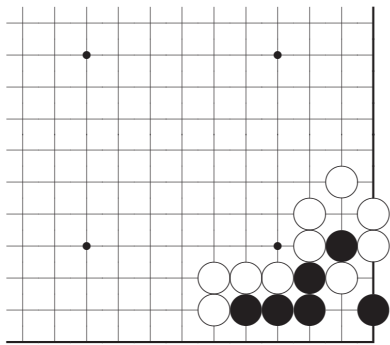


Diagram 138
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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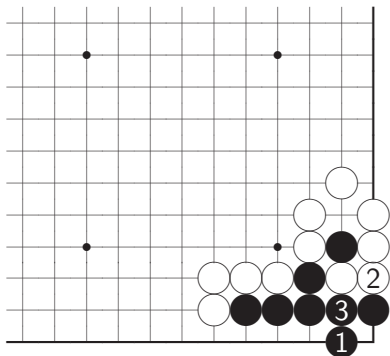


Diagram 139
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct

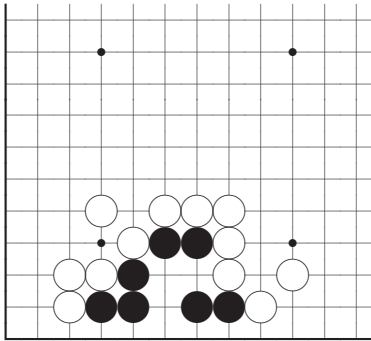


Diagram 140
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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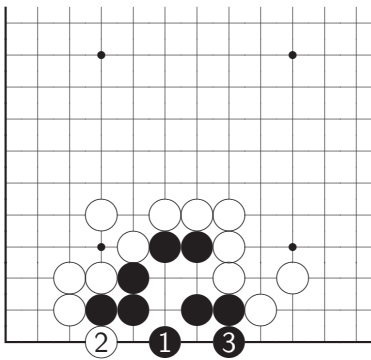
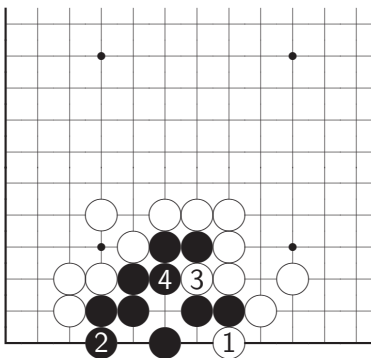


Diagram 141
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 218 for White 2

Correct

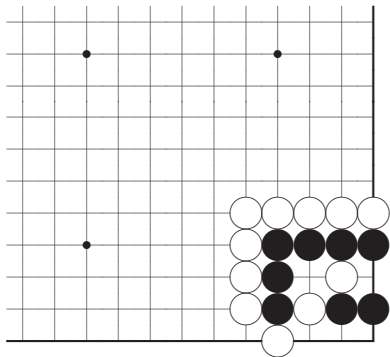


Diagram 142
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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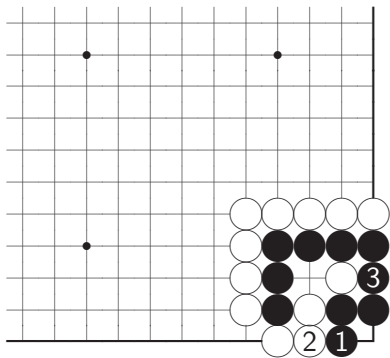
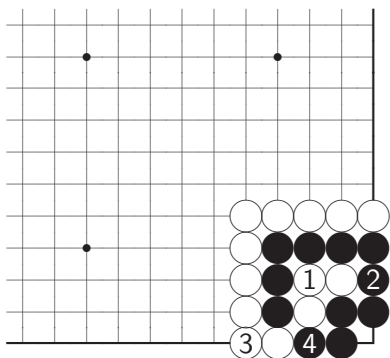


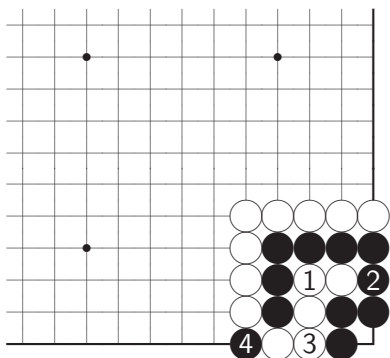
Diagram 143
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 219 for White 2

Correct



Variation 220 for White 2

Correct

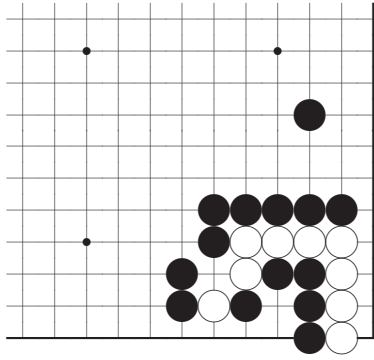


Diagram 144
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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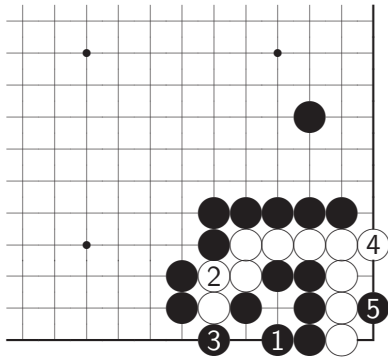
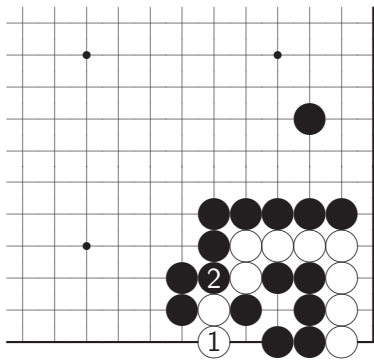


Diagram 145
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 221 for White 2

Correct

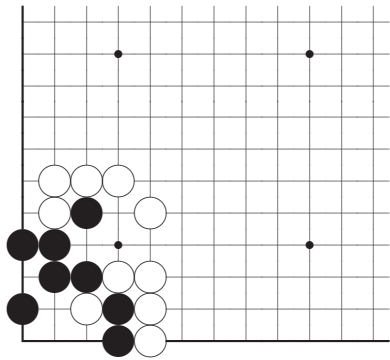


Diagram 146
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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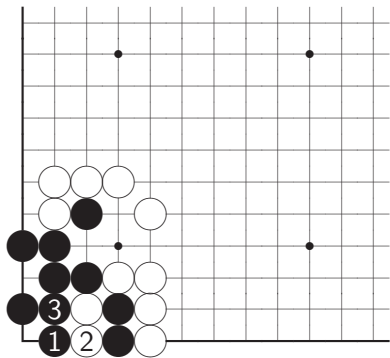


Diagram 147
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct

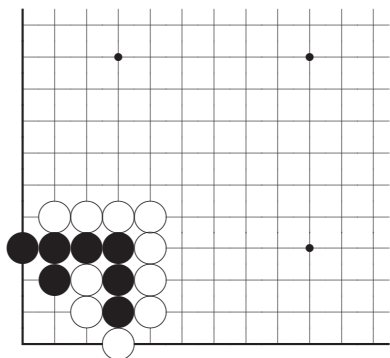


Diagram 148
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

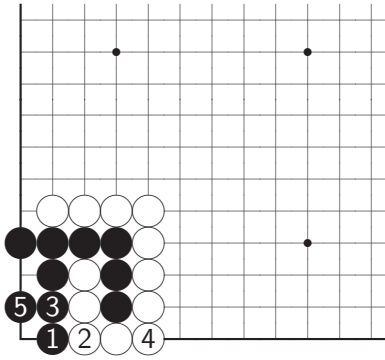
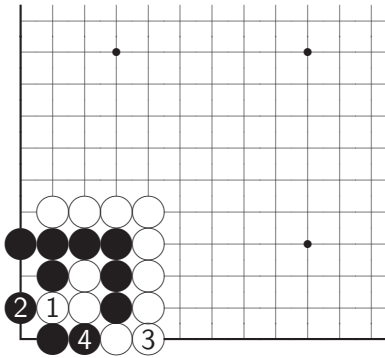


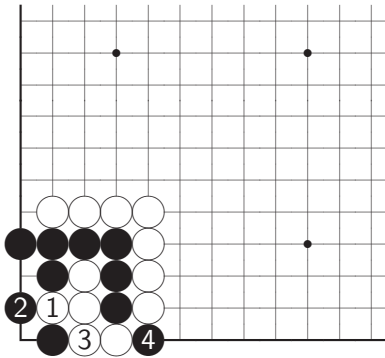
Diagram 149
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



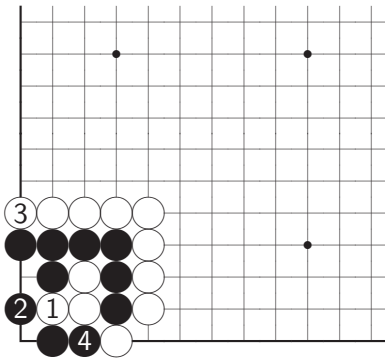
Variation 222 for White 2

Correct

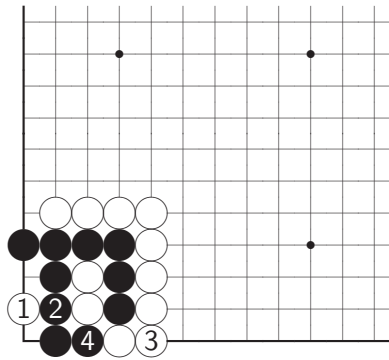


Variation 223 for White 2

Correct

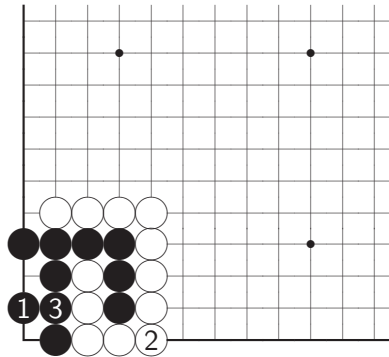


Variation 224 for White 2



Variation 225 for White 2

Correct



Variation 226 for Black 3

Correct

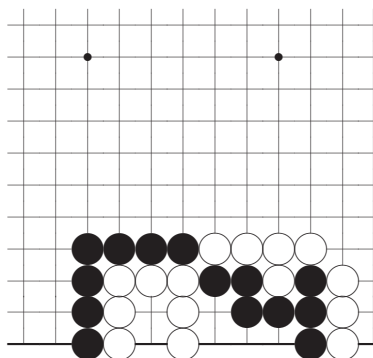


Diagram 150
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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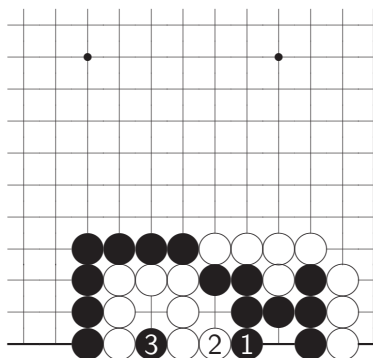
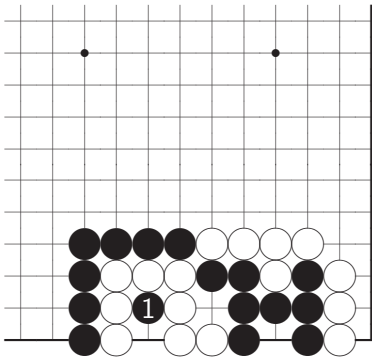


Diagram 151
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. Now both groups are alive in seki.



Variation 227 for Black 3

Correct. Now both groups are alive in seki.

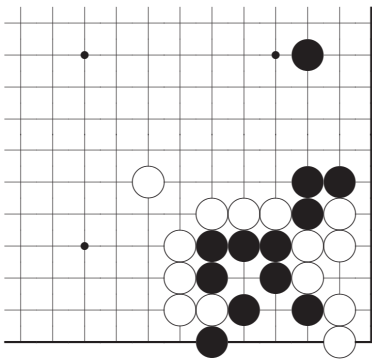


Diagram 152
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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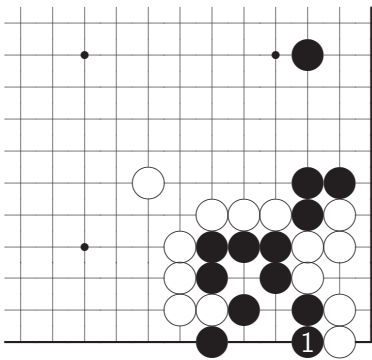


Diagram 153
(Move: 1)

Correct

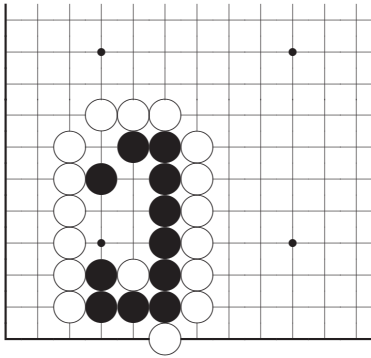


Diagram 154
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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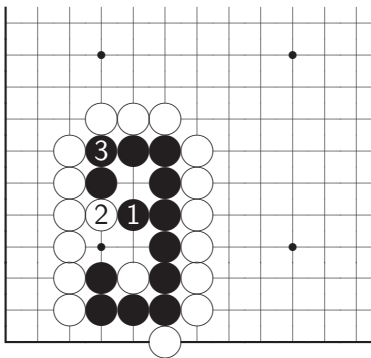
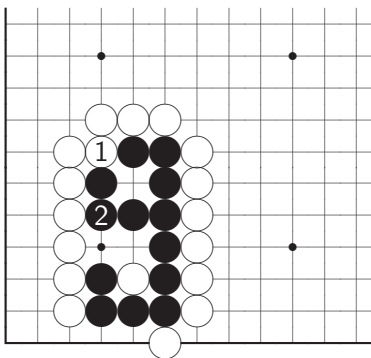


Diagram 155
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 228 for White 2

Correct

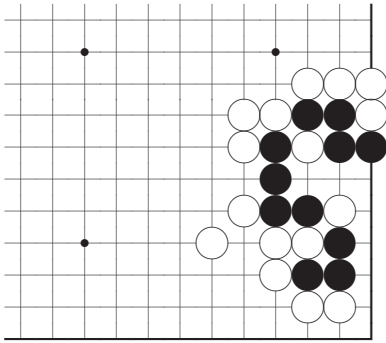


Diagram 156
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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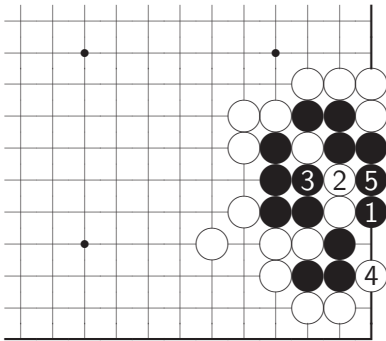
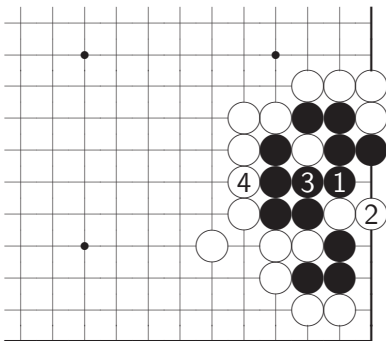


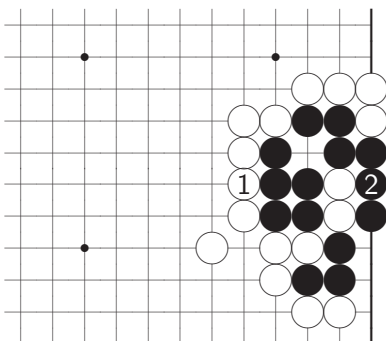
Diagram 157
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 229 for Black 1

After ④ here, there's no way to live.



Variation 230 for White 4

Correct

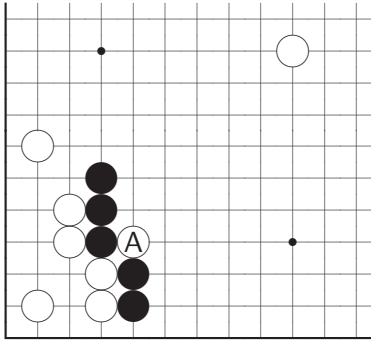


Diagram 158
(Move: 1)

Black to play. Can you capture White's cutting stone at A?

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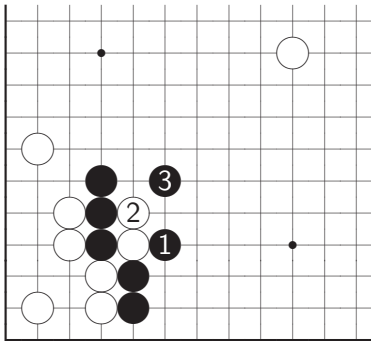
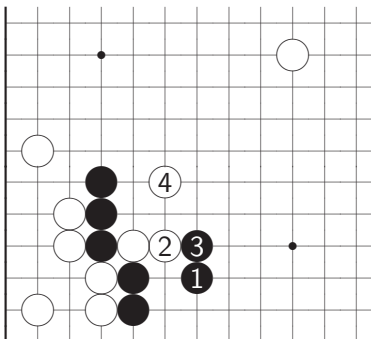


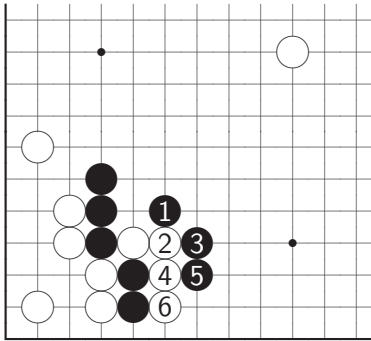
Diagram 159
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



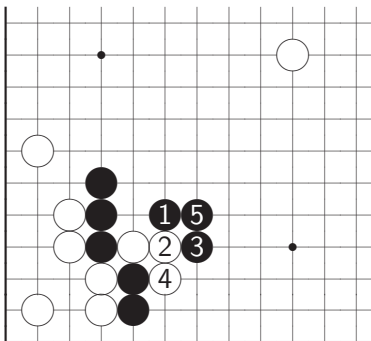
Variation 231 for Black 1

White's escaping.



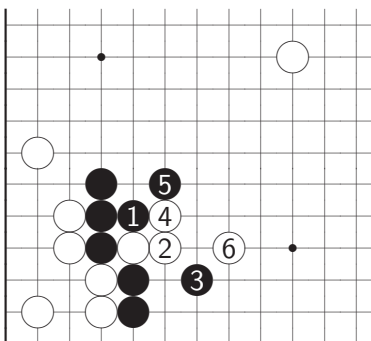
Variation 232 for Black 1

Black can do better.



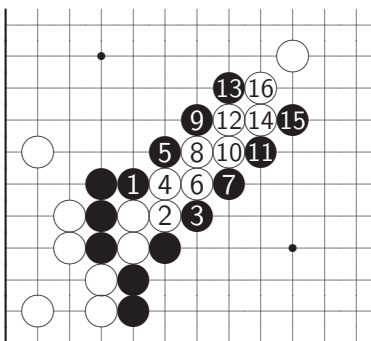
Variation 233 for Black 1

Black can do better.



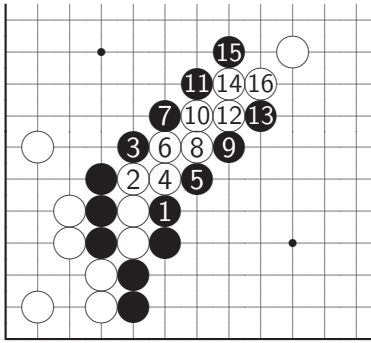
Variation 234 for Black 1

Now Black's in trouble.



Variation 235 for Black 3

The ladder doesn't work.



Variation 236 for Black 3

The ladder doesn't work.

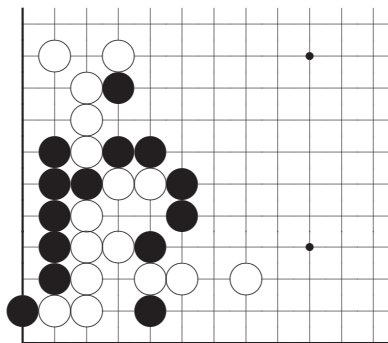


Diagram 160
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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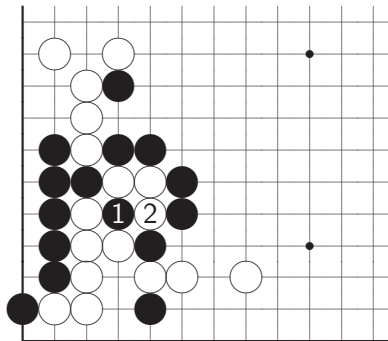


Diagram 161
(Moves: 1-3)
③ at ①.

Correct

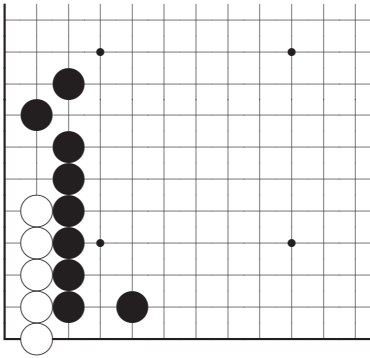


Diagram 162
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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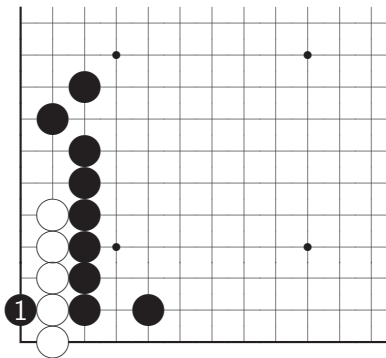
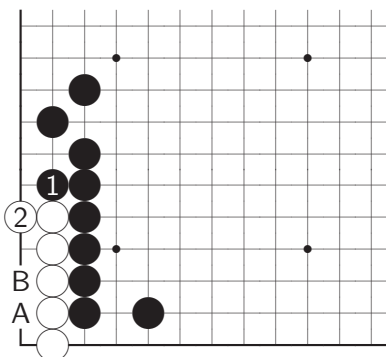


Diagram 163
(Move: 1)

This is the vital point.



Variation 237 for Black 1

White's four in a row eyespace is alive because ① and B are miai (that means if Black takes one, White can take the other one).

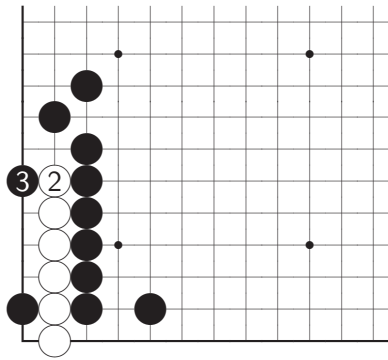
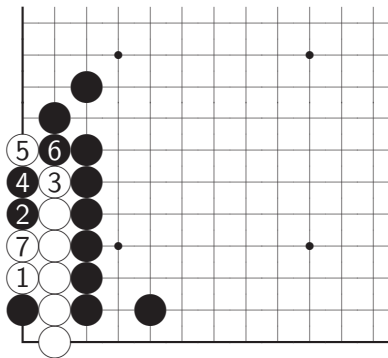


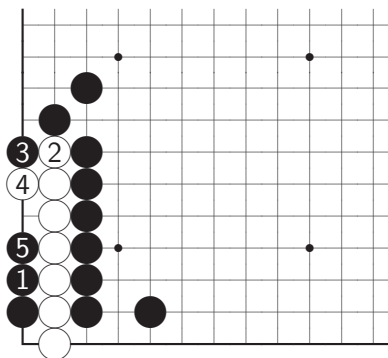
Diagram 164
(Moves: 2-3)

Good move, this makes White's eyespace as small as possible.



Variation 238 for White 2
⑧ at ④.

Correct



Variation 239 for Black 3

White's already alive in seki.

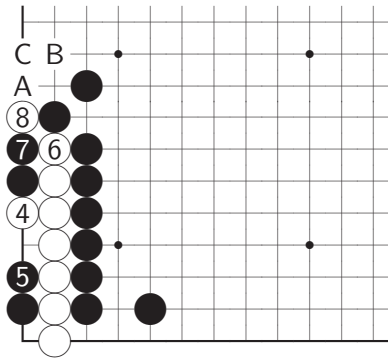
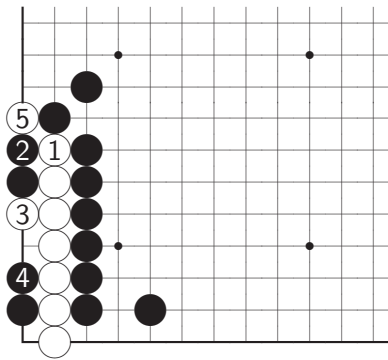


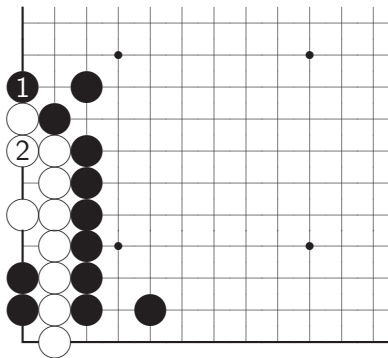
Diagram 165
(Moves: 4-9)
⑨ at ⑦.

Correct. If White plays A, Black can just play B (or atari at C in some situations). White can't make two eyes.



Variation 240 for White 4
⑥ at ②.

Correct



Variation 241 for Black 9

Black almost had it. There's a better move than A.

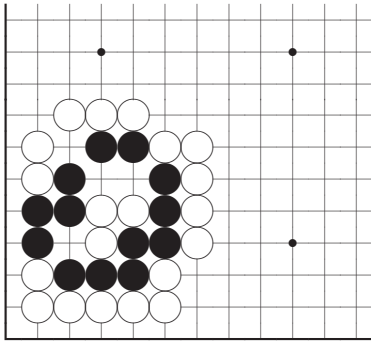


Diagram 166
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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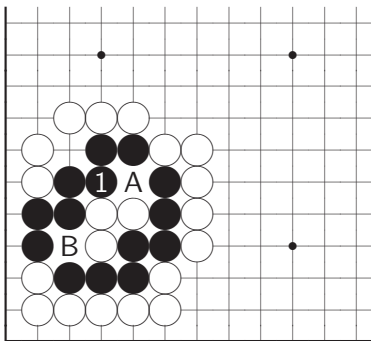
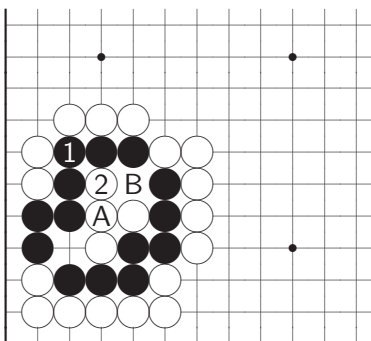


Diagram 167
(Move: 1)

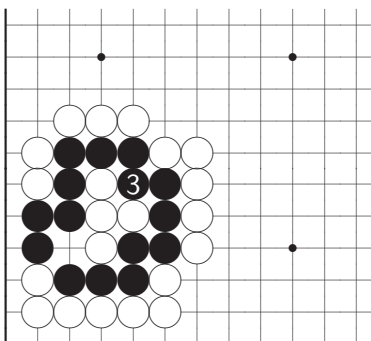
Correct. Now Black's alive in seki. If White tries to play A or B, Black can capture and make two eyes.



Variation 242 for Black 1

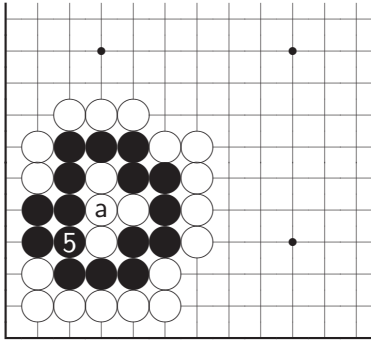
The shape of White's four stones is called a 'bulky four'. If Black captures White's four stones, White will immediately play at A, and Black won't be able to make two eyes.

If Black does nothing, White can atari at B, making a 'bulky five' shape. If Black then captures, ① still works.



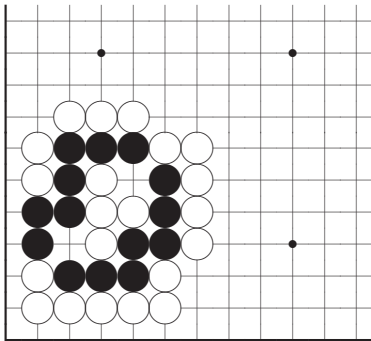
Variation 243 for Black 1

Even if White passes...



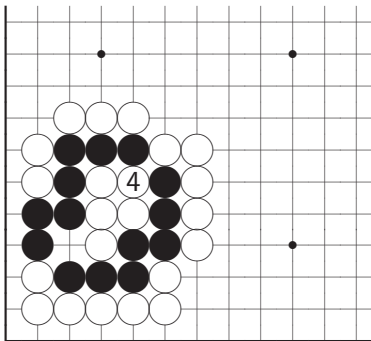
Black can't make two eyes.

Variation 244 for Black 1
⑥ at ⑤.



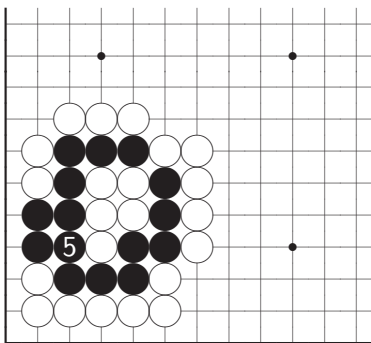
Black passes. Black's already dead, but for the sake of demonstration...

Variation 245 for Black 1



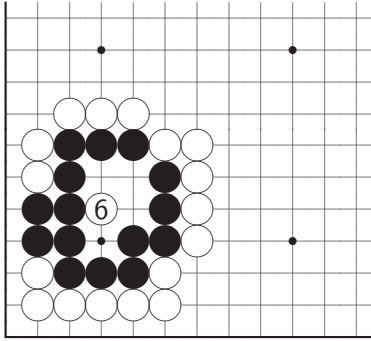
Atari...

Variation 246 for Black 1



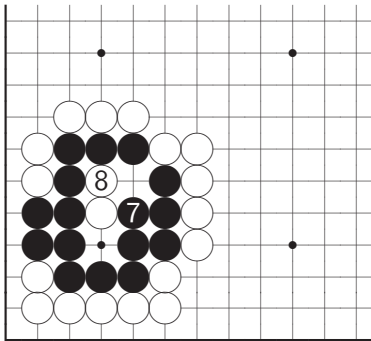
Capture...

Variation 247 for Black 1



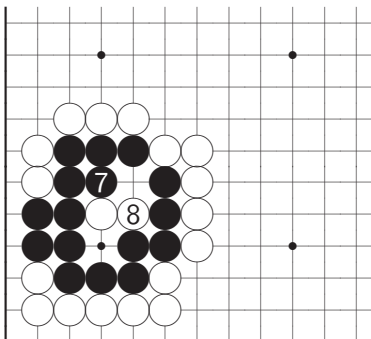
White plays on the vital point.

Variation 248 for Black 1



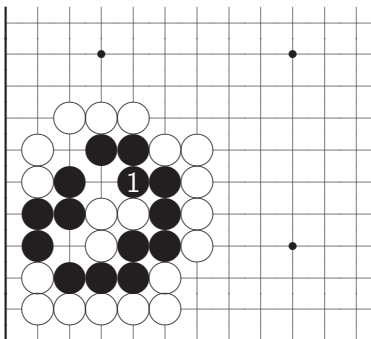
Black can't make two eyes.

Variation 249 for Black 1



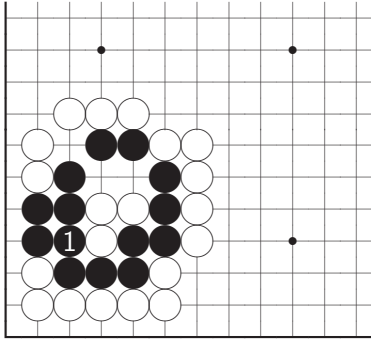
Black can't make two eyes.

Variation 250 for Black 1



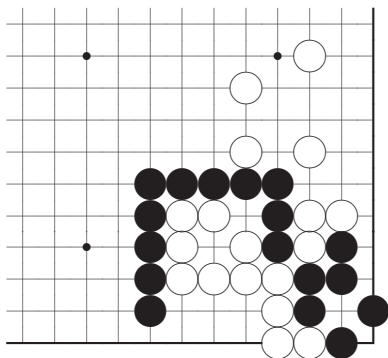
It's already a dead shape.

Variation 251 for Black 1



It's already a dead shape.

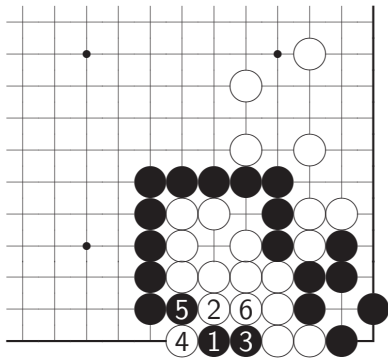
Variation 252 for Black 1



Black to play.

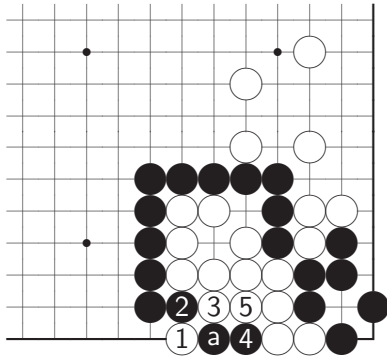
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Diagram 168
(Move: 1)



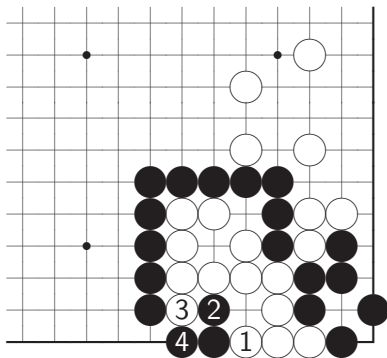
Correct

Diagram 169
(Moves: 1-7)
⑦ at ①.



Variation 253 for White 2
6 at **a**.

Correct



Variation 254 for White 2

Correct

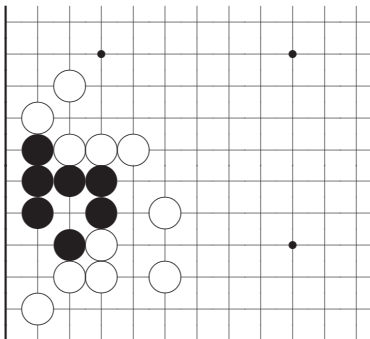


Diagram 170
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

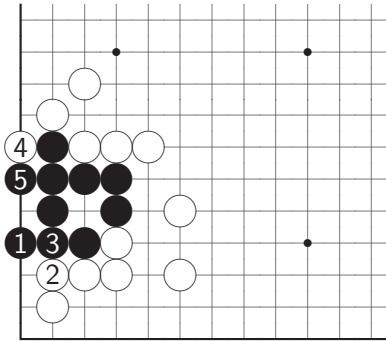
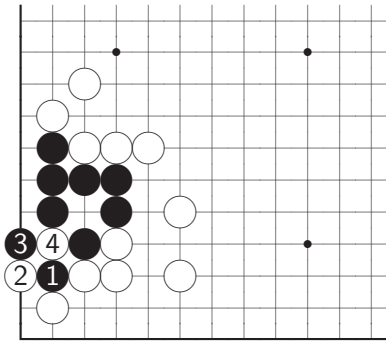
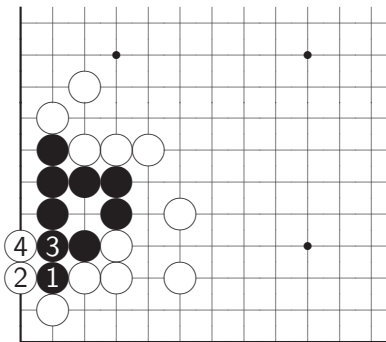


Diagram 171
(Moves: 1-5)



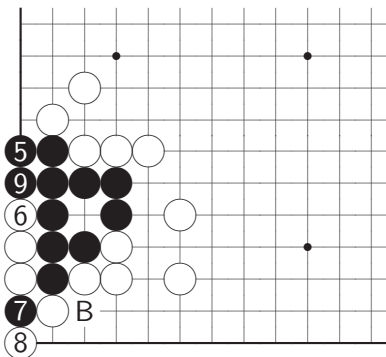
Variation 255 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



Variation 256 for Black 1

Black should be captured now, but this White move is a mistake...



Variation 257 for Black 1

A and B are miai for Black (if White defends against one, Black plays the other), so Black lives.

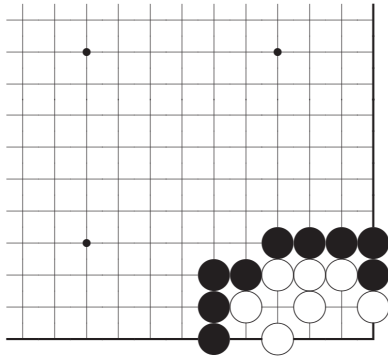


Diagram 172
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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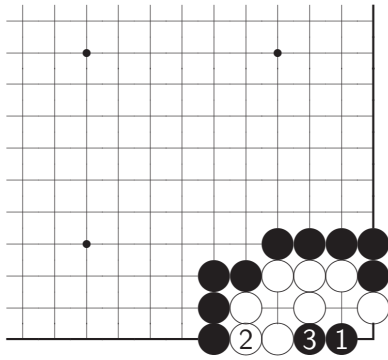
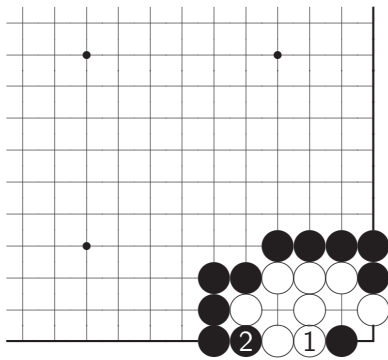


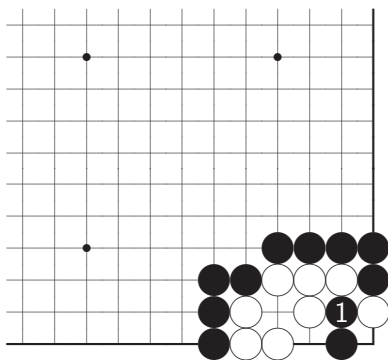
Diagram 173
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 258 for White 2

Correct



Variation 259 for Black 3

Correct

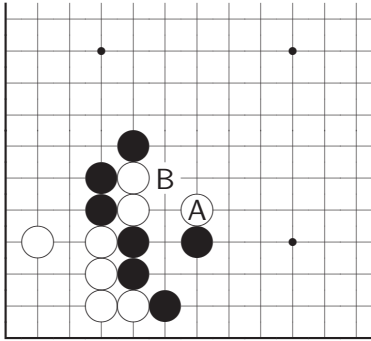


Diagram 174
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

Ⓐ would have been better at B. Why?

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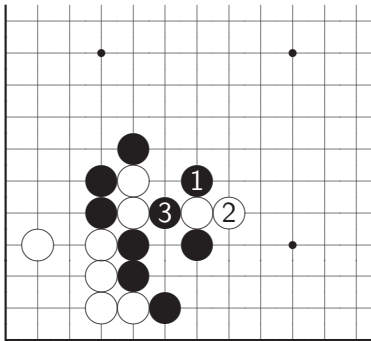
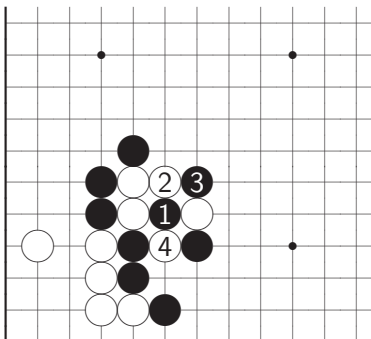


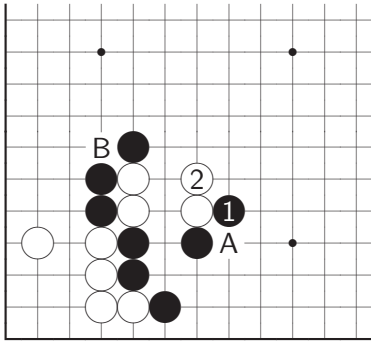
Diagram 175
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



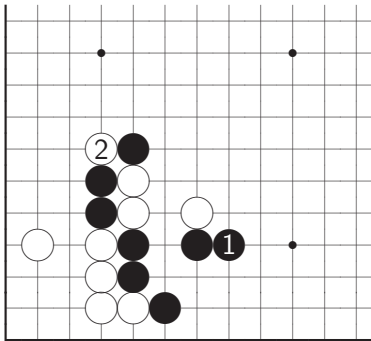
Variation 260 for Black 1

This is a mess. Black has a move that settles things in a simple and clean manner.



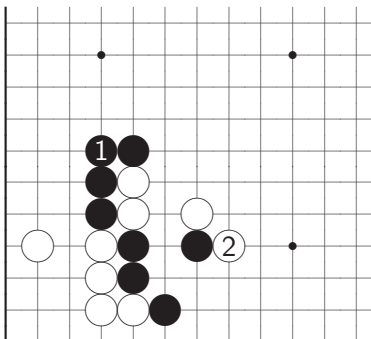
Variation 261 for Black 1

Next White can cut at A or B, so the position becomes very difficult for Black.



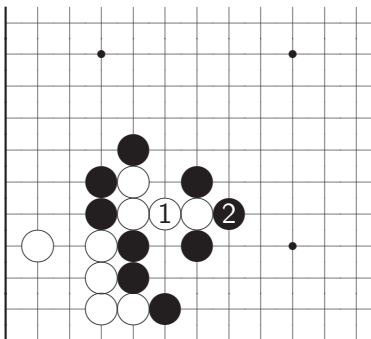
Variation 262 for Black 1

Black's missed a great opportunity. White can even cut here now.



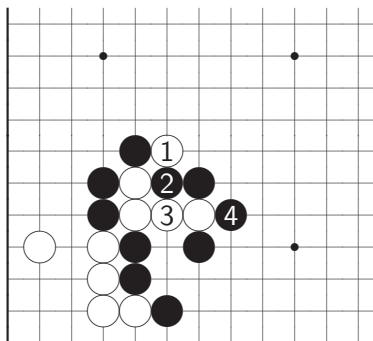
Variation 263 for Black 1

Black defended the left side, but White can play here now.

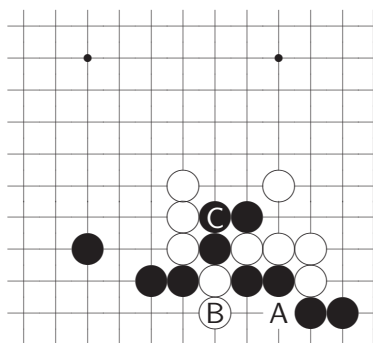


Variation 264 for White 2

Correct



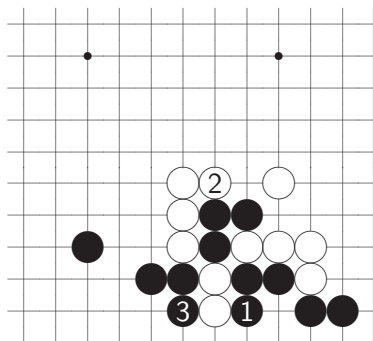
Correct

Variation 265 for White 2

Black to play. How can Black prevent White from capturing at A while also winning the capturing race between B and C?

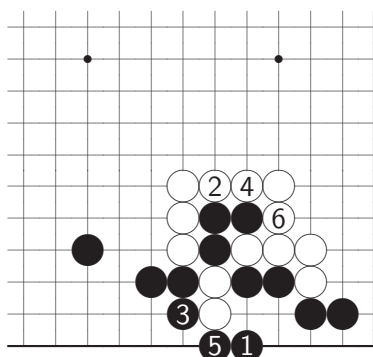
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Diagram 176
(Move: 1)



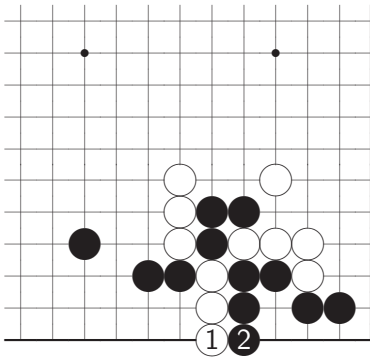
Correct

Diagram 177
(Moves: 1-3)

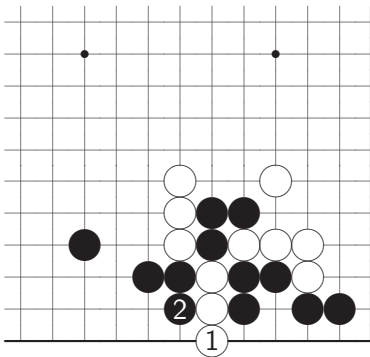


Not too bad, but Black can do capture some stones.

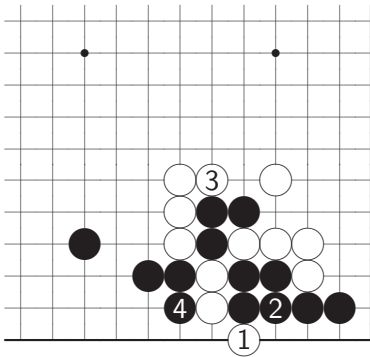
Variation 266 for Black 1



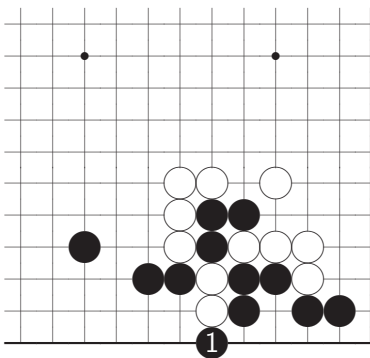
Correct

Variation 267 for White 2

Correct

Variation 268 for White 2

Correct

Variation 269 for White 2

Correct

Variation 270 for Black 3

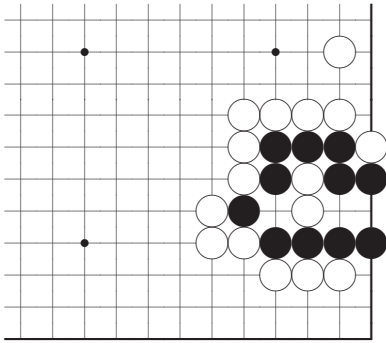


Diagram 178
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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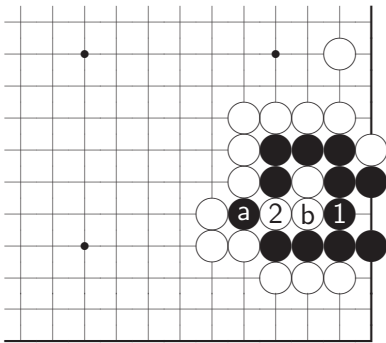


Diagram 179
(Moves: 1-5)

③ at a,
④ at ②,
⑤ at b.

Correct

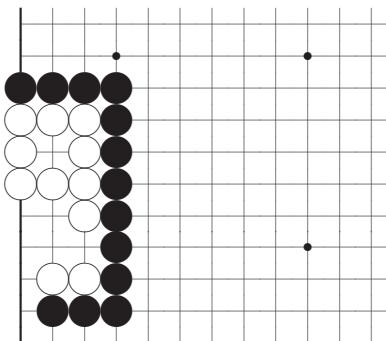


Diagram 180
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

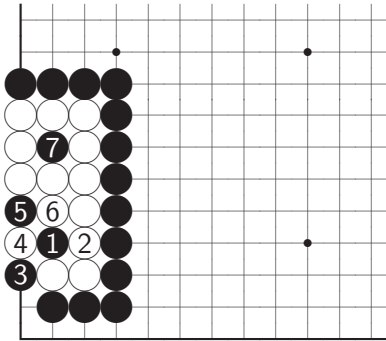
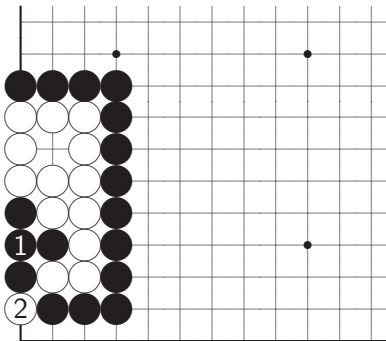
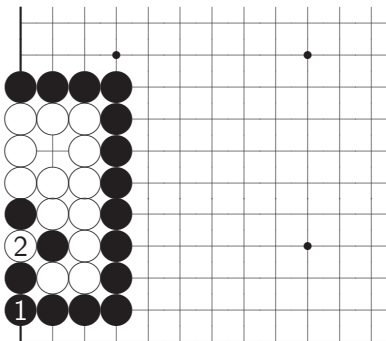


Diagram 181
(Moves: 1-7)



Variation 271 for Black 7

Almost got it, have another go.



Variation 272 for Black 7

Almost got it, have another go.

Black to play.

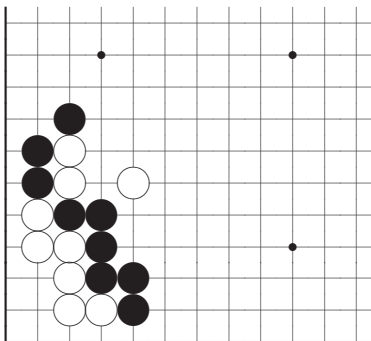
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Diagram 182
(Move: 1)

Correct

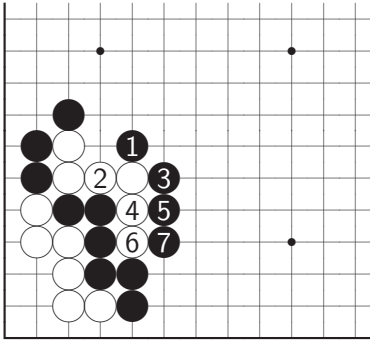
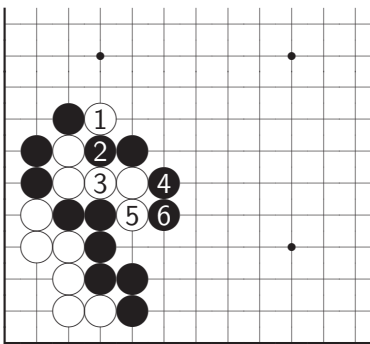


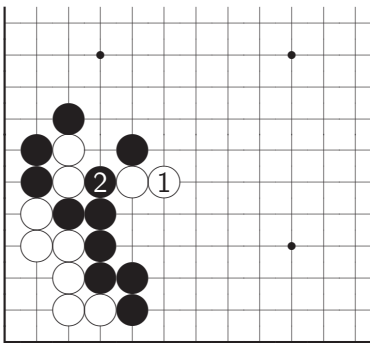
Diagram 183
(Moves: 1-7)

Correct



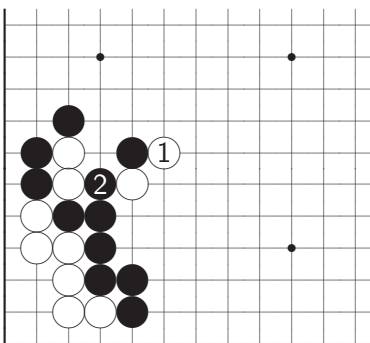
Variation 273 for White 2

Correct

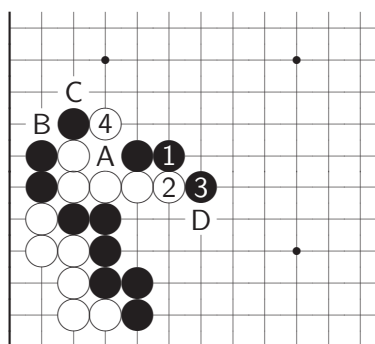


Variation 274 for White 2

Correct

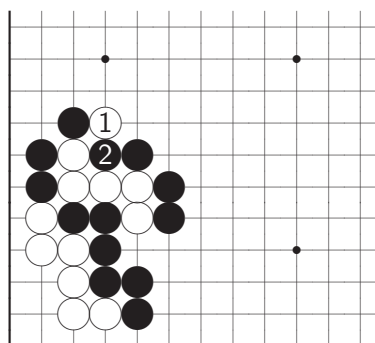


Variation 275 for White 2



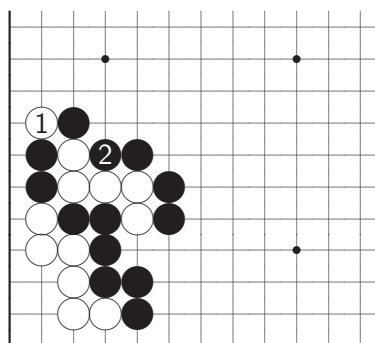
Variation 276 for Black 3

Next if Black cuts at A, White can atari at B and capture two stones. If Black plays C instead, White can keep fighting at D, or just connect at A. Black had a way to capture the cutting stones instead.



Variation 277 for White 6

Correct



Variation 278 for White 6

Correct

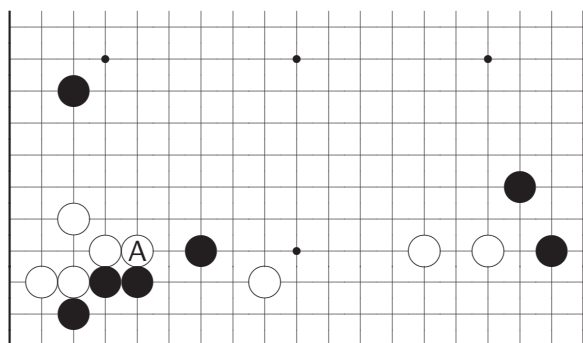


Diagram 184
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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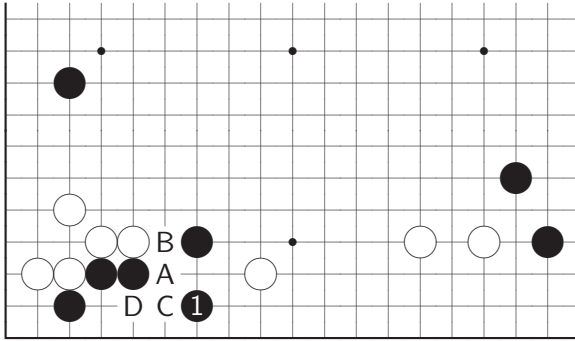
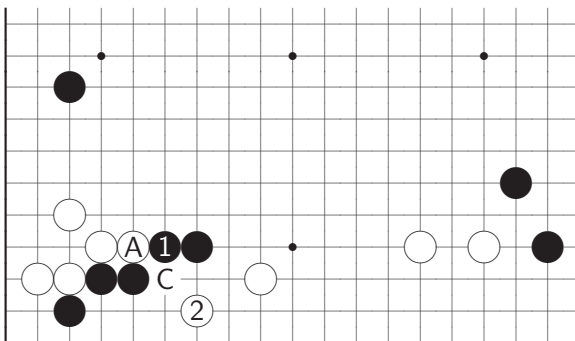


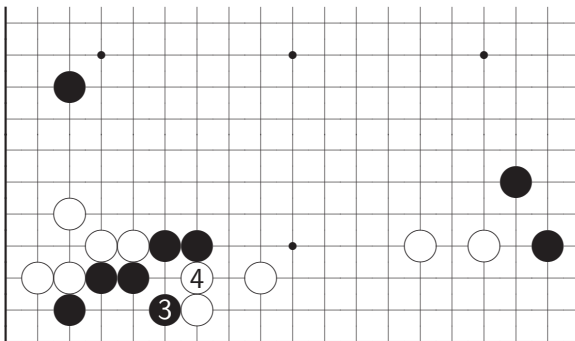
Diagram 185
(Move: 1)

Correct. This is the best shape, because it gives Black the best potential for making eyes later. A and B are miai for Black now. If White tries to play A-C, ① captures White's stones.



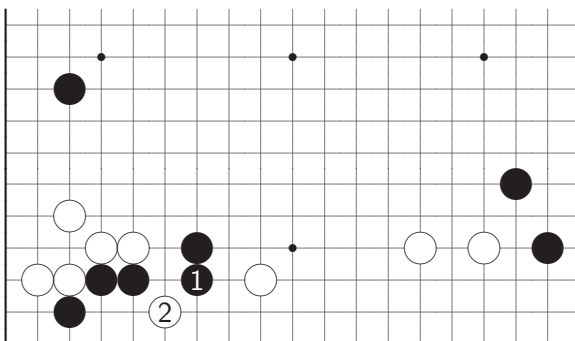
Variation 279 for Black 1

White plays on the vital point and Black's group becomes weak. Notice the relationship between A and B - the point at C can only ever become a false eye now.



Variation 280 for Black 1

If the game continues like this, Black doesn't have much room to make eyes, so the whole group may be in trouble later.



Variation 281 for Black 1

Later on there's still a vital point here...

Correct

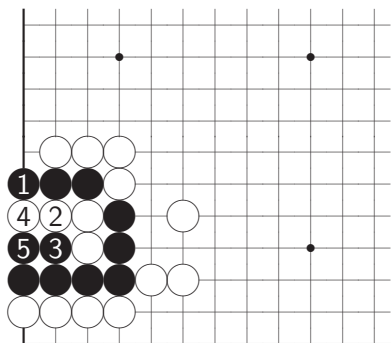
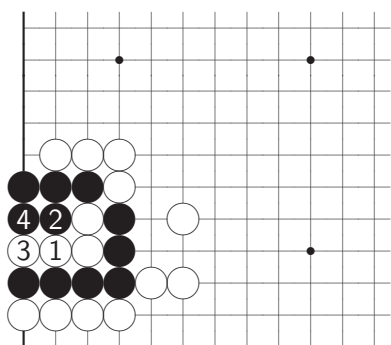


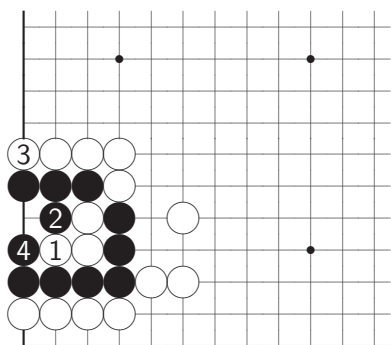
Diagram 187
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



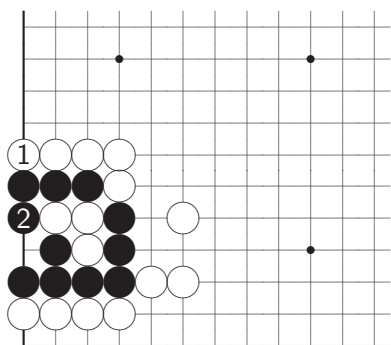
Variation 285 for White 2

Correct



Variation 286 for White 2

Correct



Variation 287 for White 4

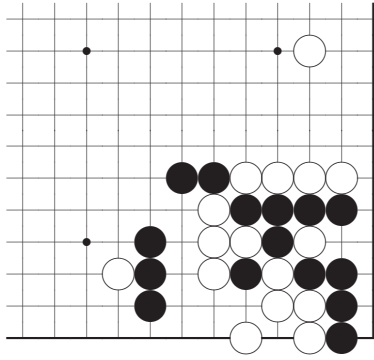


Diagram 188
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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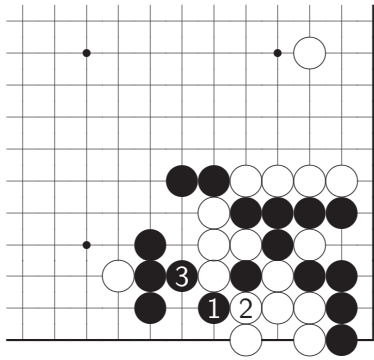
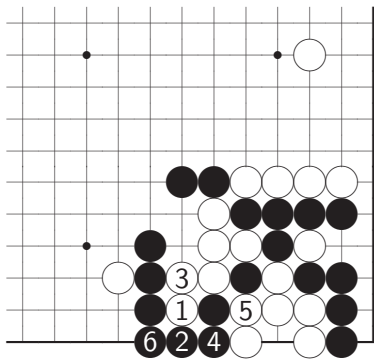


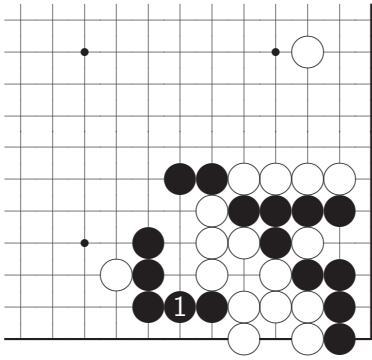
Diagram 189
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. White has one eye and one false eye.



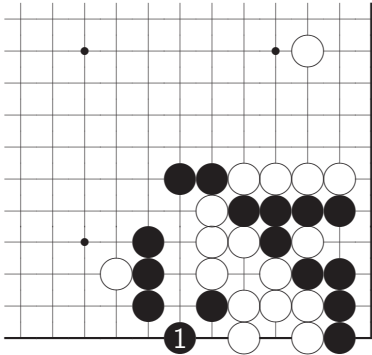
Variation 288 for White 2

Correct



Variation 289 for Black 3

Correct



Variation 290 for Black 3

Also correct.

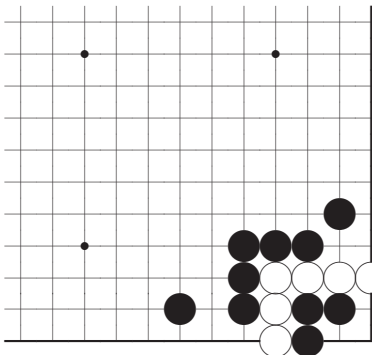
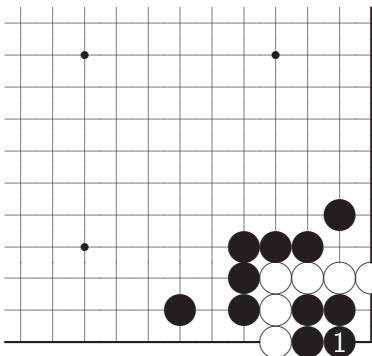
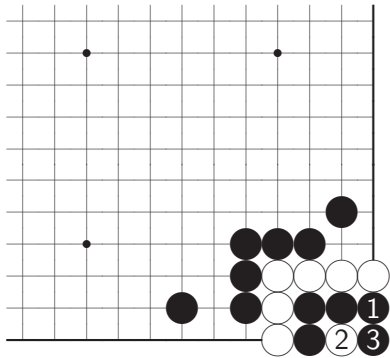


Diagram 190
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

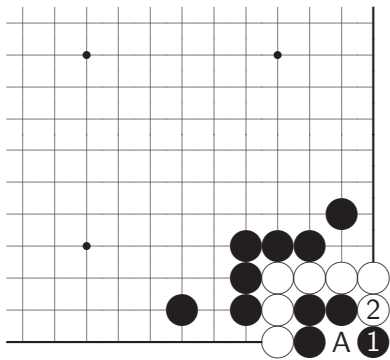
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Variation 291 for Black 1
 ④ at ②.

White's alive.



Variation 292 for Black 1

Black can't connect at A. If he could, he wouldn't have any liberties and his stones would be captured. After that, it would be Whites turn and White could play at A to make two eyes.

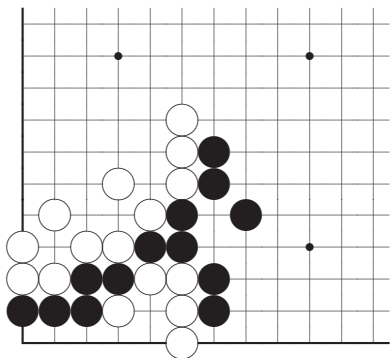


Diagram 192
 (Move: 1)

Black to play.

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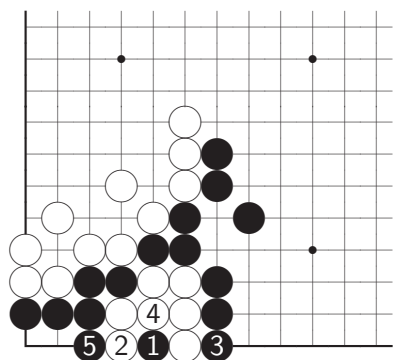
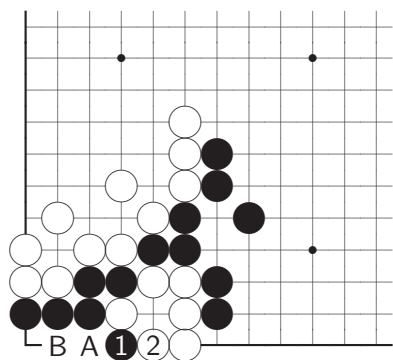


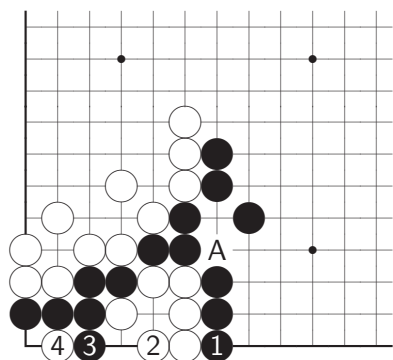
Diagram 193
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct. Black wins the capturing race.



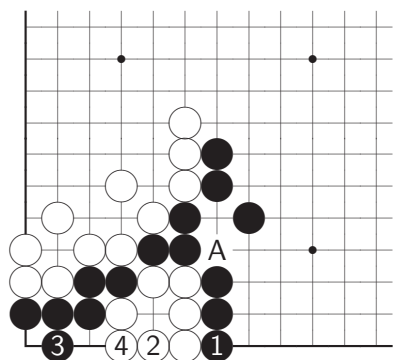
Variation 293 for Black 1

Now Black has to fight a ko here. If Black just connects at A, White will atari at B and it's still a ko.



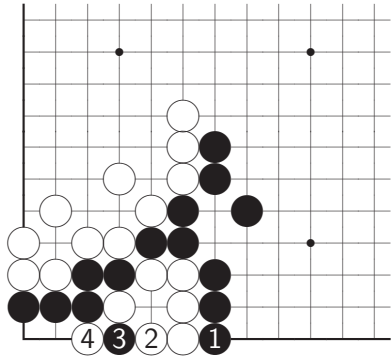
Variation 294 for Black 1

This is a seki, and Black has to worry about the weakness at A now.



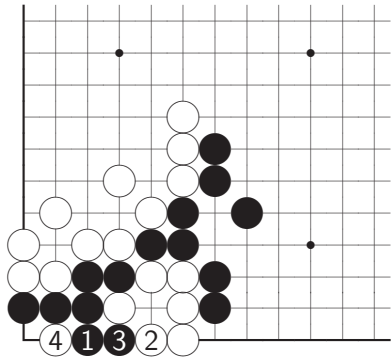
Variation 295 for Black 1

This is a seki, and Black has to worry about the weakness at A now.



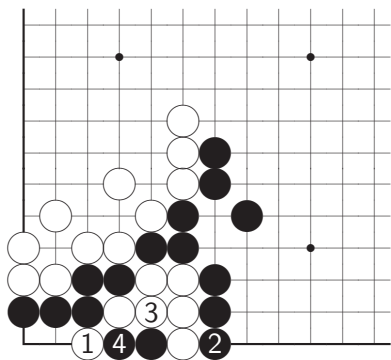
Variation 296 for Black 1

Black doesn't have enough liberties to make a ko, so Black dies.



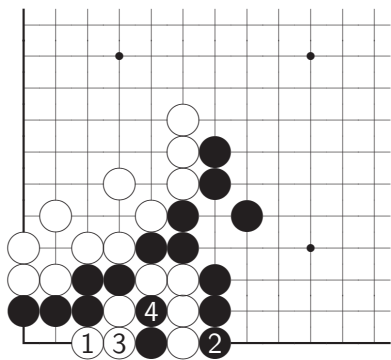
Variation 297 for Black 1

Now Black has to fight a ko, but Black can do better.



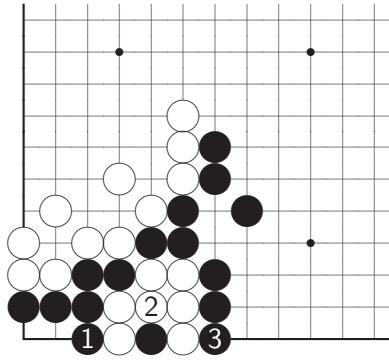
Variation 298 for White 2

Correct. Black captures the cutting stones.



Variation 299 for White 2

Correct. Black captures the cutting stones.



Variation 300 for Black 3

Correct. Black wins the capturing race.

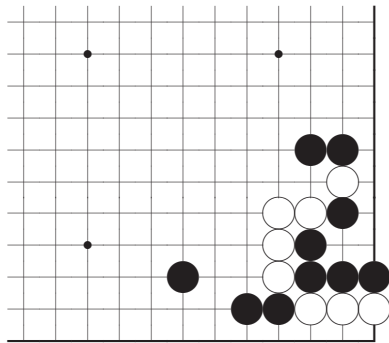


Diagram 194
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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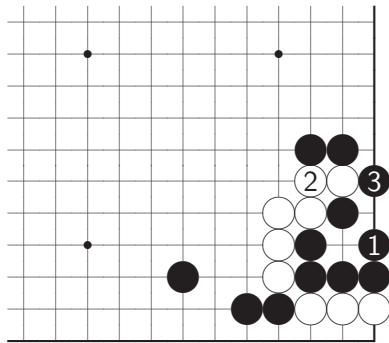
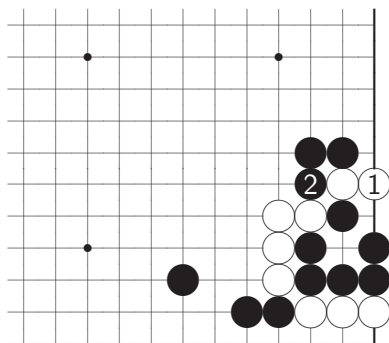


Diagram 195
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 301 for White 2

Correct

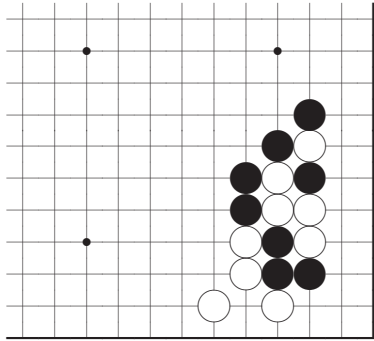


Diagram 196
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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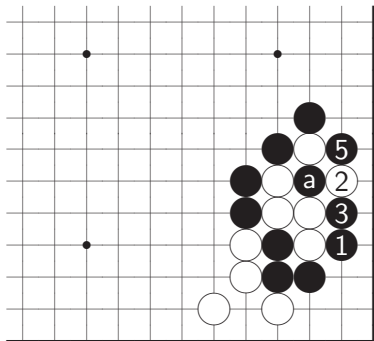
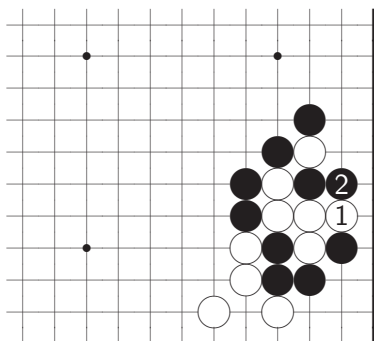


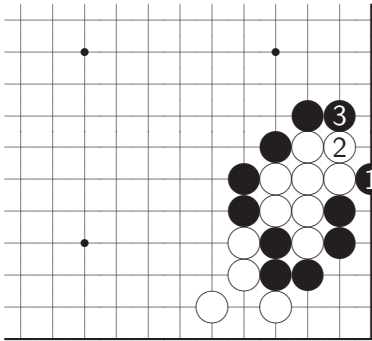
Diagram 197
(Moves: 1-5)
④ at a.

Correct

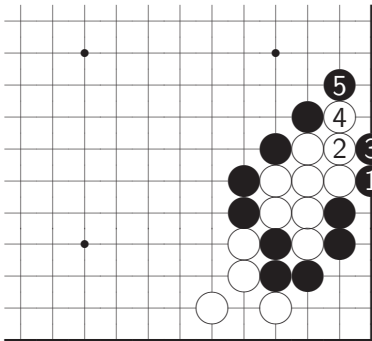


Variation 302 for White 2

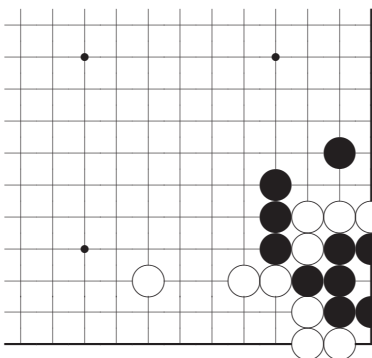
Correct



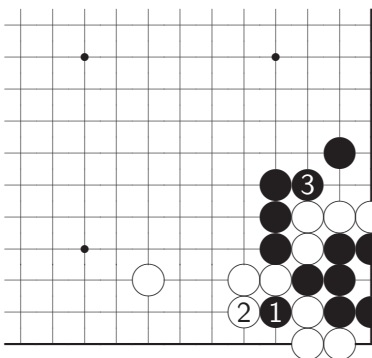
Correct

Variation 303 for Black 5

Correct

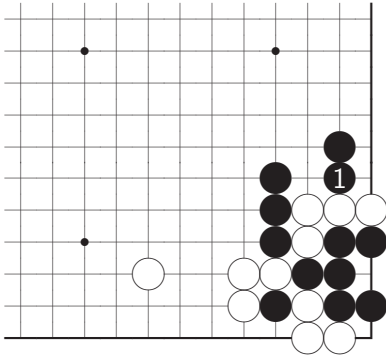
Variation 304 for Black 5

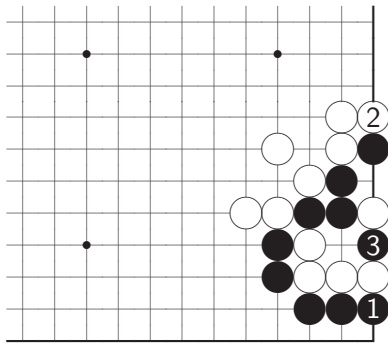
Black to play.

<https://gogameguru.com/>**Diagram 198**
(Move: 1)

Correct

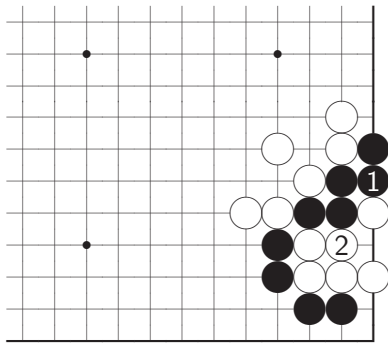
Diagram 199
(Moves: 1-3)





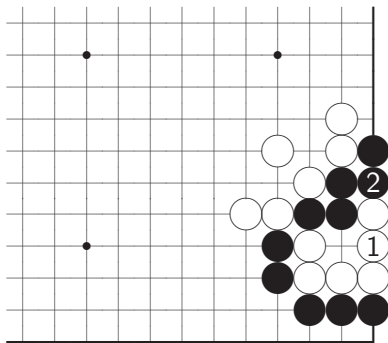
Correct

Diagram 201
(Moves: 1-3)



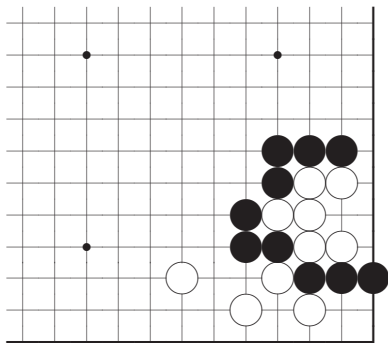
It's a ko, but Black can do better.

Variation 307 for Black 1



Correct

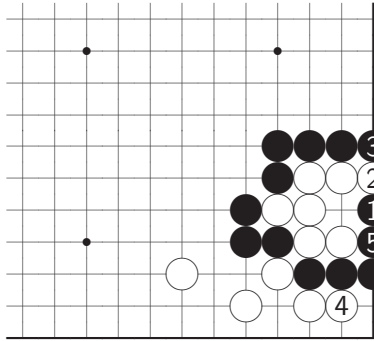
Variation 308 for White 2



Black to play.

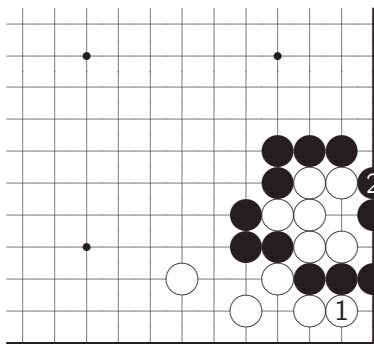
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Diagram 202
(Move: 1)



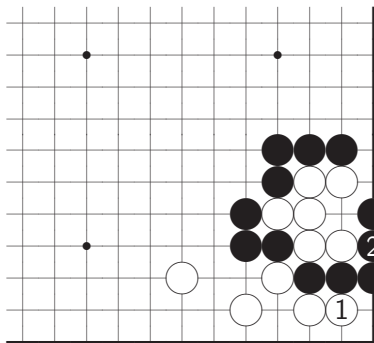
Correct

Diagram 203
(Moves: 1-5)



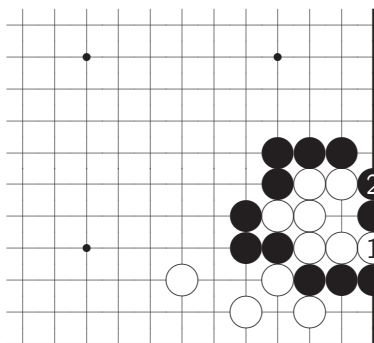
Correct

Variation 309 for White 2



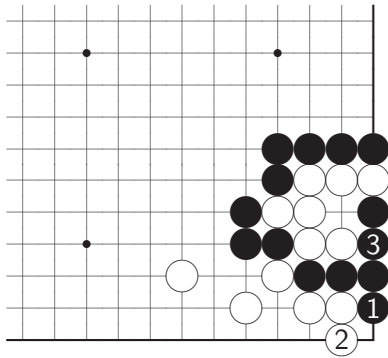
Correct

Variation 310 for White 2



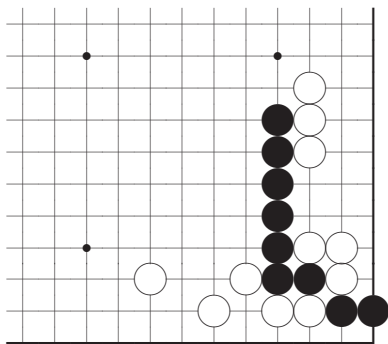
Correct

Variation 311 for White 2



Correct

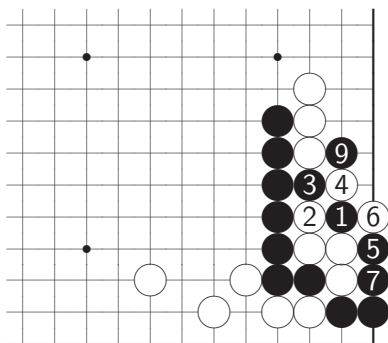
Variation 312 for Black 5



Black to play.

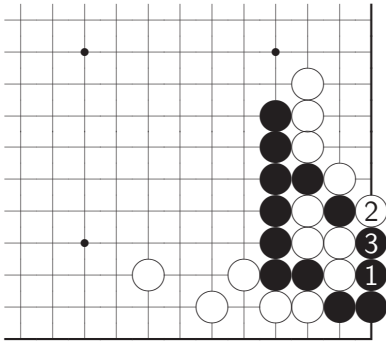
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Diagram 204
(Move: 1)

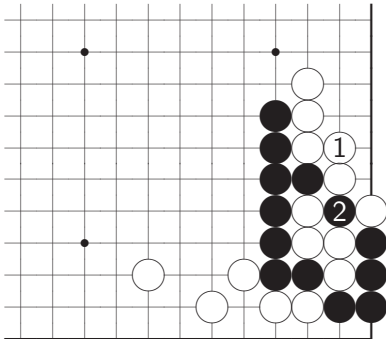


Correct

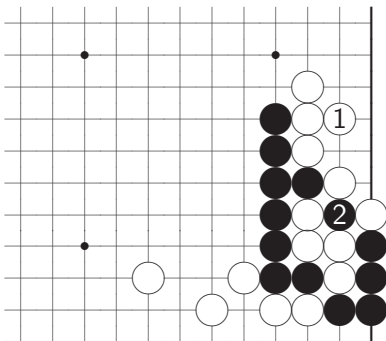
Diagram 205
(Moves: 1-9)
⑧ at ❶.



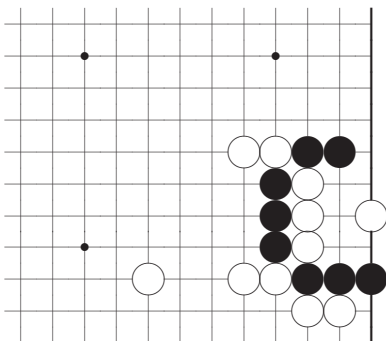
Correct

Variation 313 for Black 5

Correct

Variation 314 for White 8

Correct

Variation 315 for White 8

Black to play.

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(Move: 1)

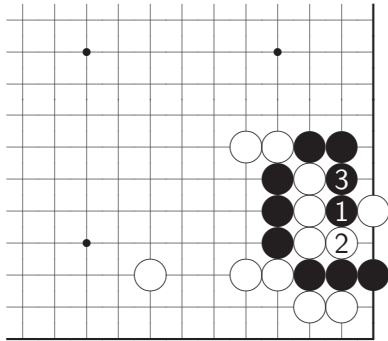
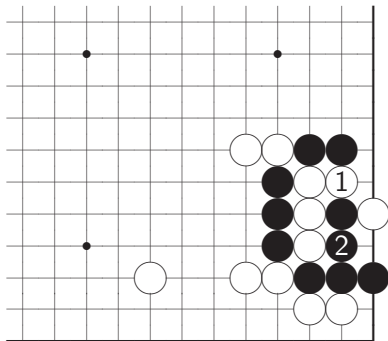


Diagram 207
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 316 for White 2

Correct

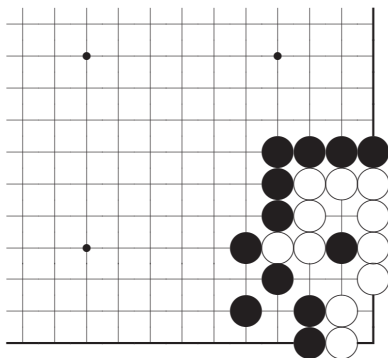


Diagram 208
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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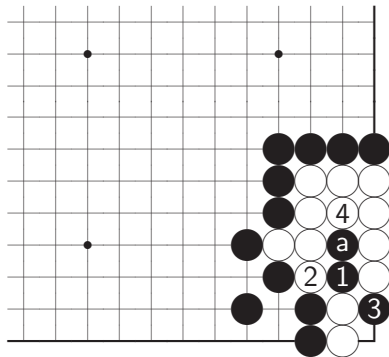
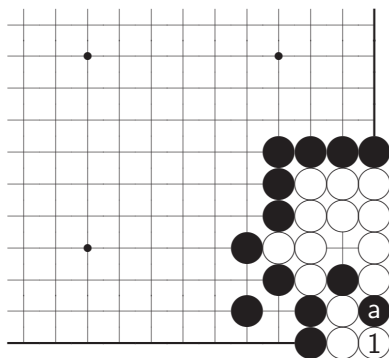


Diagram 209

(Moves: 1-7)

⑤, ⑦ at ①,
⑥ at a.

Correct



Variation 317 for White 6

② at a.

Correct

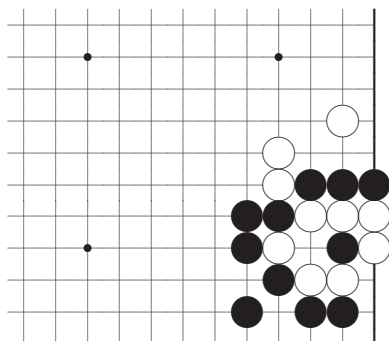


Diagram 210

(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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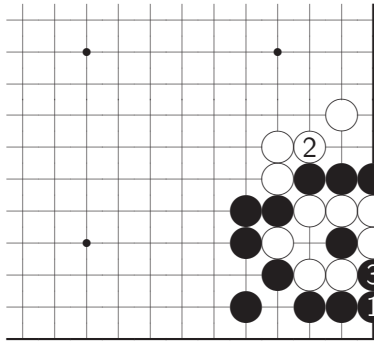


Diagram 211
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct

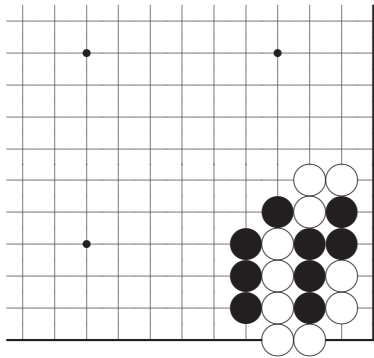


Diagram 212
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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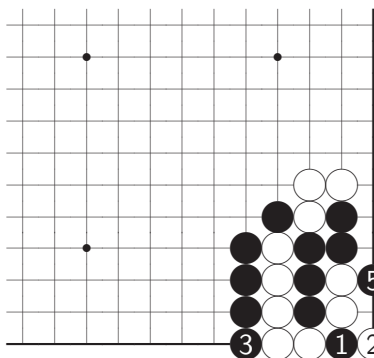


Diagram 213
(Moves: 1-5)
④ at ①.

Correct

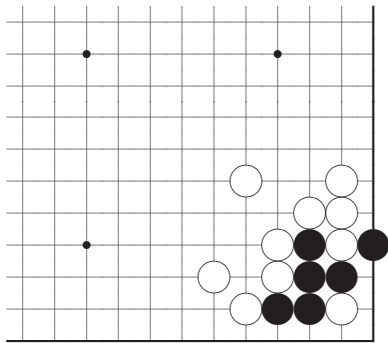


Diagram 214
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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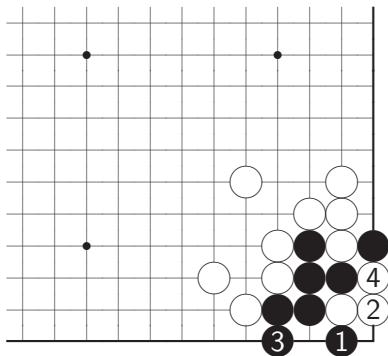
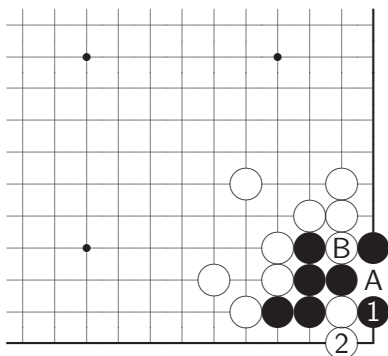


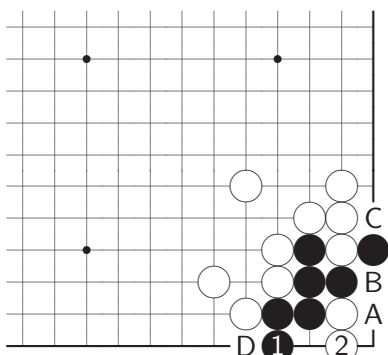
Diagram 215
(Moves: 1-4)

Now White can't play here, right?



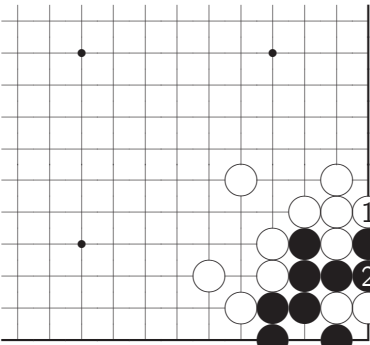
Variation 318 for Black 1

Black can't make two eyes now. A is a false eye because it's not connected to the rest of the group with a Black stone at B.



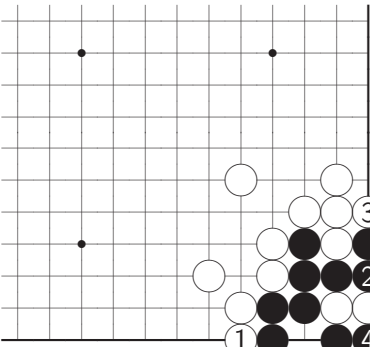
Variation 319 for Black 1

Black can't make two eyes now. Later if White wants to take these stones off the board for some reason, White can exchange A for B, then fill the outside liberties with C and D. Capturing White's stones will only give Black one eye.



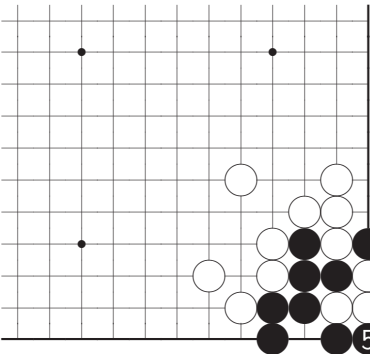
Correct

Variation 320 for White 4



Correct

Variation 321 for White 4



Correct

Diagram 216
(Move: 5)

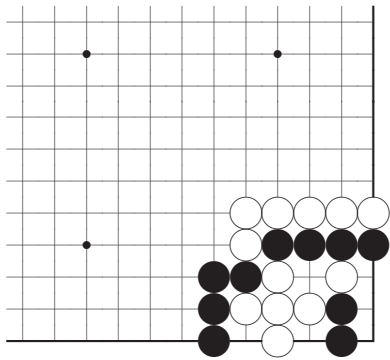


Diagram 217
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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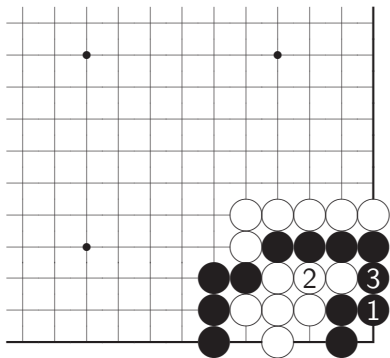
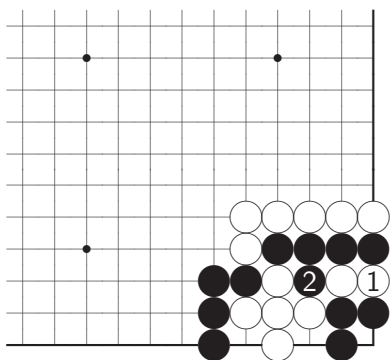


Diagram 218
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. Black wins the capturing race.



Variation 322 for White 2

Correct

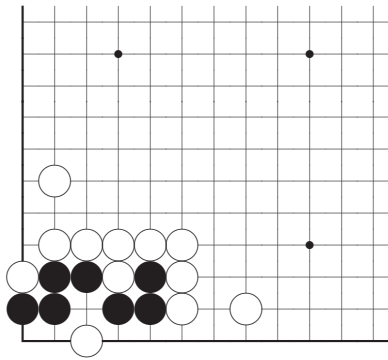


Diagram 219
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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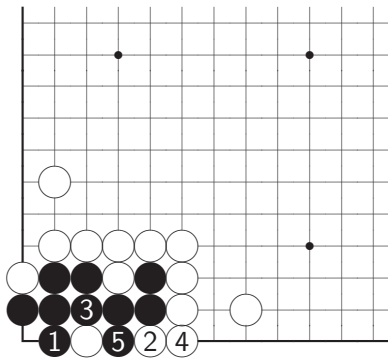
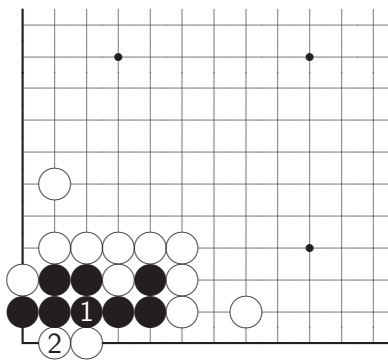


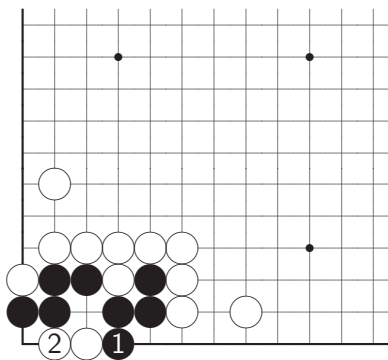
Diagram 220
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct. Black lives with two eyes.



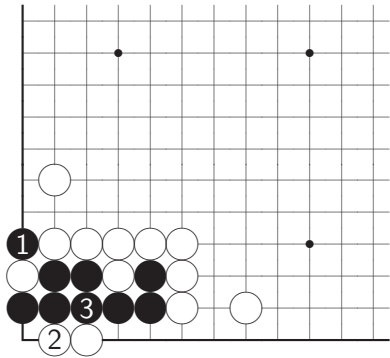
Variation 323 for Black 1

Black only has one eye, so Black's dead.



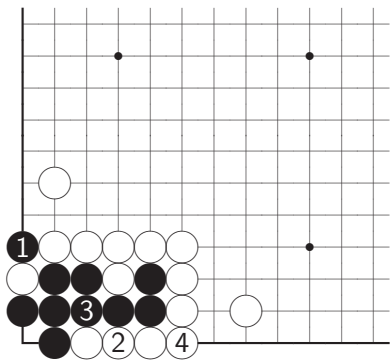
Variation 324 for Black 1

Black only has one eye, so Black's dead.



Variation 325 for Black 1

Capturing at A only makes a false eye, so Black's already died.



Variation 326 for Black 3

Capturing at A only makes a false eye, so Black dies.

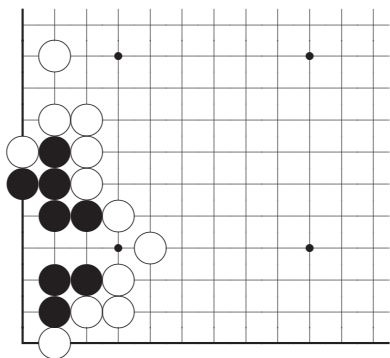


Diagram 221
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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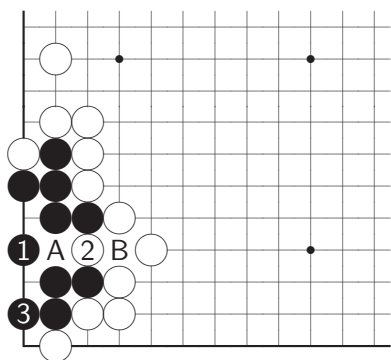
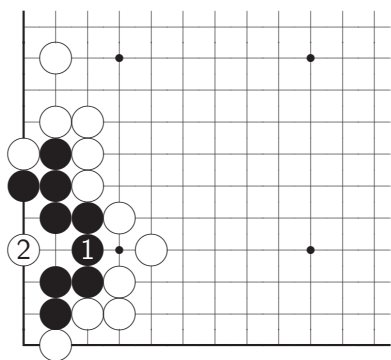


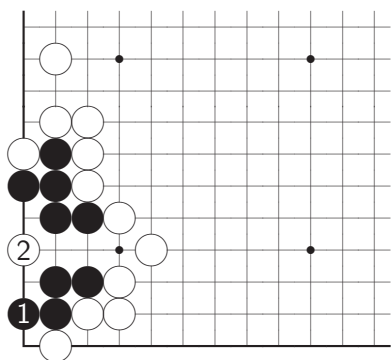
Diagram 222
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. If White plays at A Black can capture at B.
If White plays at B, Black connects at A, so Black's
alive with two eyes.



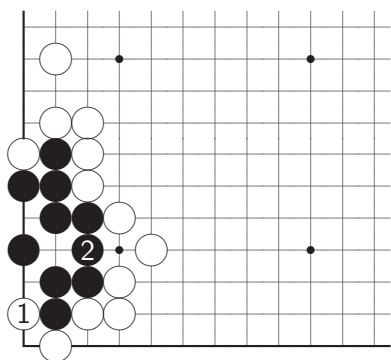
Variation 327 for Black 1

Black can't make two eyes now.



Variation 328 for Black 1

This is the vital point. Black will die after White
plays here.



Variation 329 for White 2

Correct

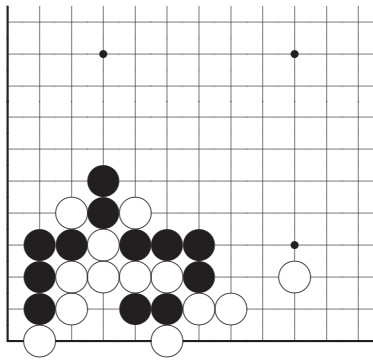


Diagram 223
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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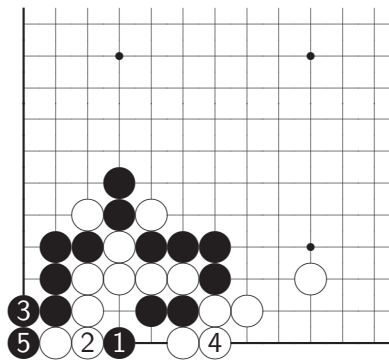
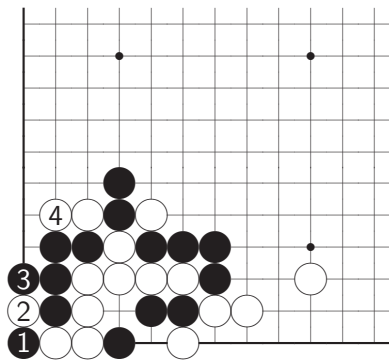


Diagram 224
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 330 for Black 3
⑤ at ①.

It's a ko, but Black can do better.

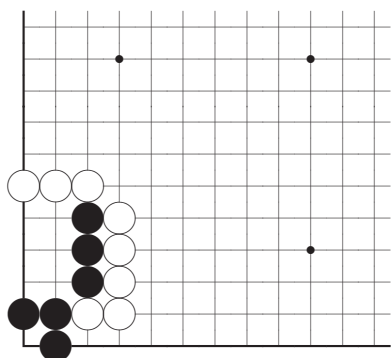


Diagram 225
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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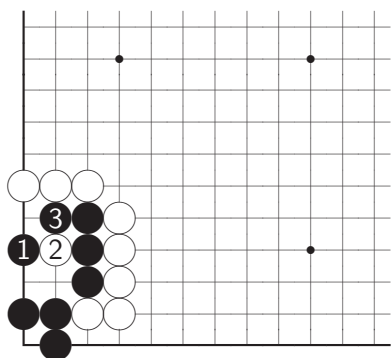
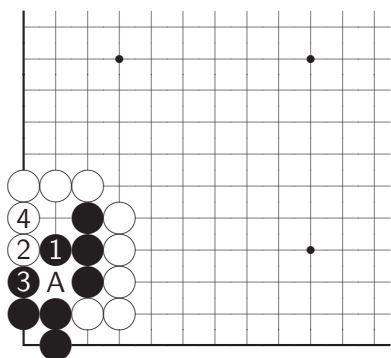


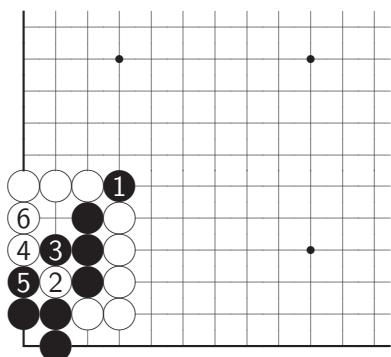
Diagram 226
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct



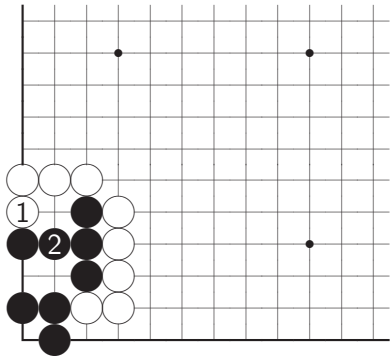
Variation 331 for Black 1

A is a false eye, so Black's group will be captured.



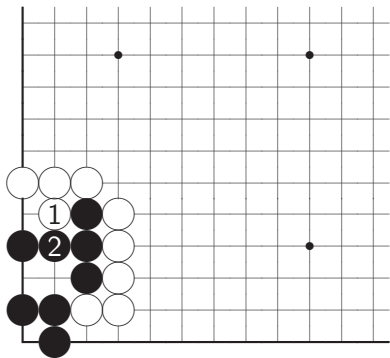
Variation 332 for Black 1

White can capture Black's stones now, so the cutting stone Black played loses its value.



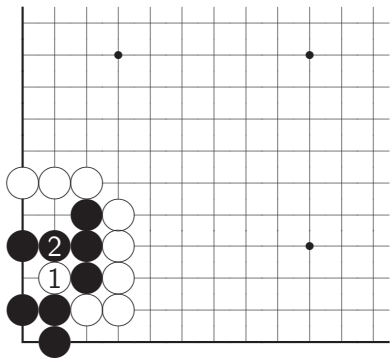
Correct

Variation 333 for White 2



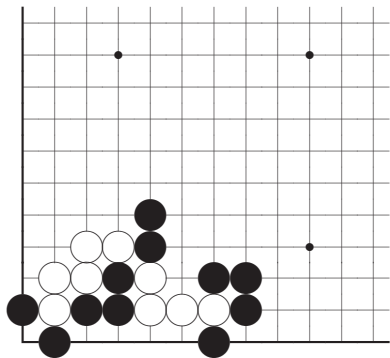
Correct

Variation 334 for White 2



Correct

Variation 335 for White 2



Black to play.

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Diagram 227
(Move: 1)

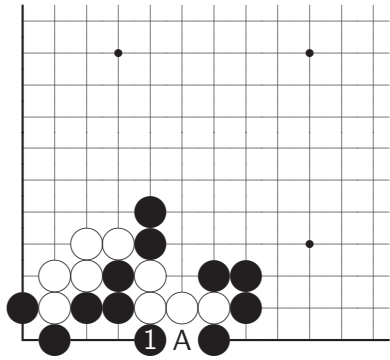
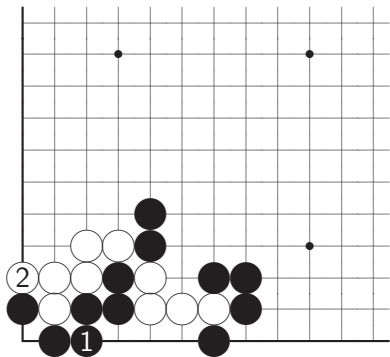


Diagram 228
(Move: 1)

Correct. White can't cut at A because she'll atari herself.



Variation 336 for Black 1

Now White can fight a ko, but Black could have avoided that.

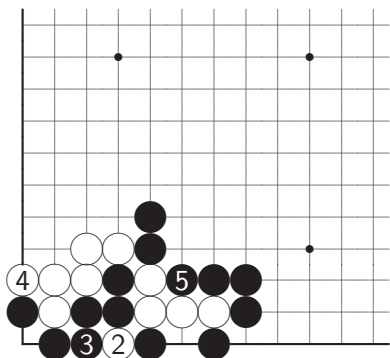


Diagram 229
(Moves: 2-5)

Correct

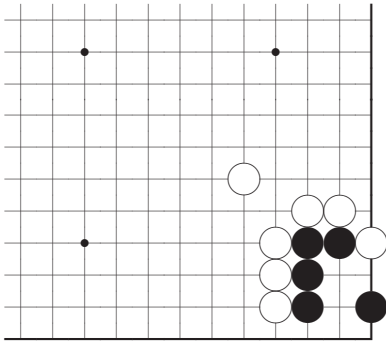


Diagram 230
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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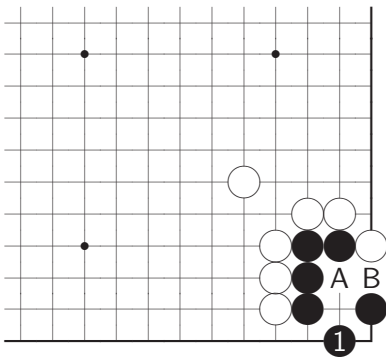


Diagram 231
(Move: 1)

Correct

A and B are miai for Black now.

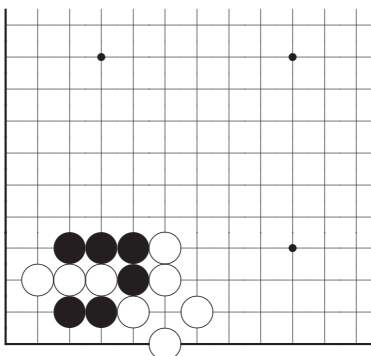


Diagram 232
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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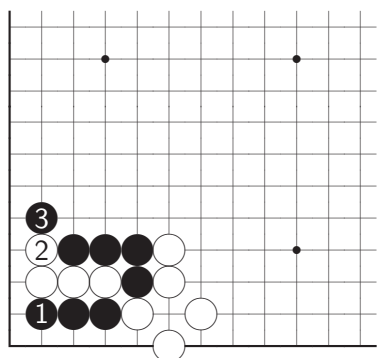
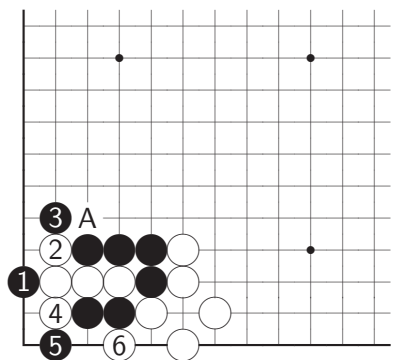


Diagram 233
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. White only has two liberties and all of Black's groups have more than that. No matter what White does next, Black can atari.



Variation 337 for Black 1

This variation is even worse for Black than the previous one because White's stones are safe and Black still has to worry about White cutting at A.

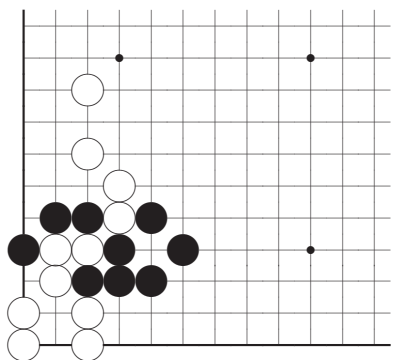


Diagram 234
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

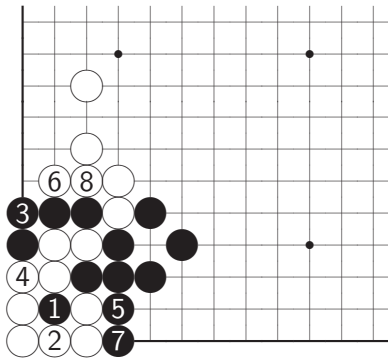
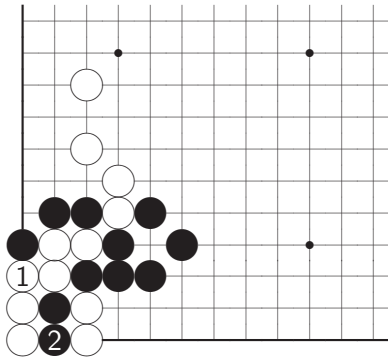


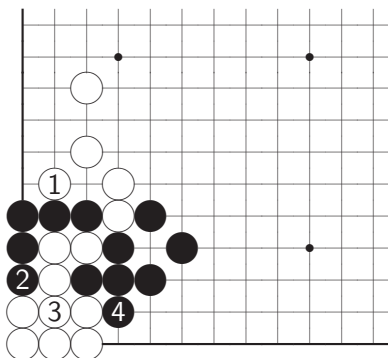
Diagram 235
(Moves: 1-9)
 9 at 1.

Correct



Variation 338 for White 2

Correct



Variation 339 for White 4

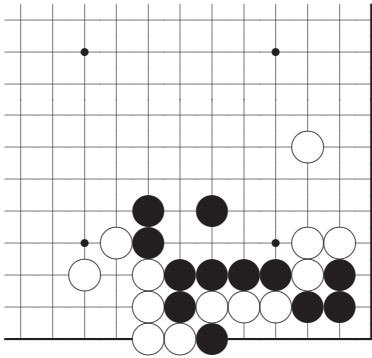


Diagram 236
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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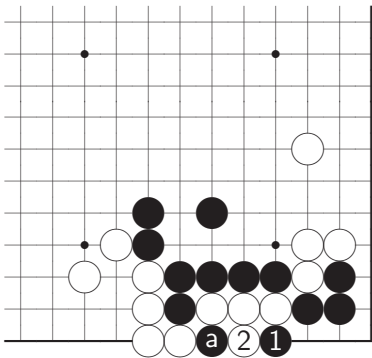
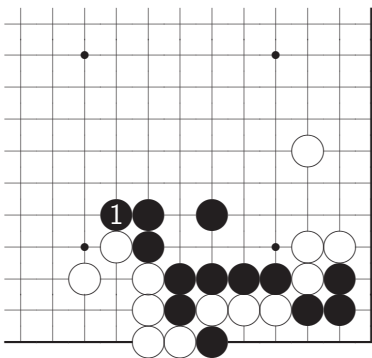


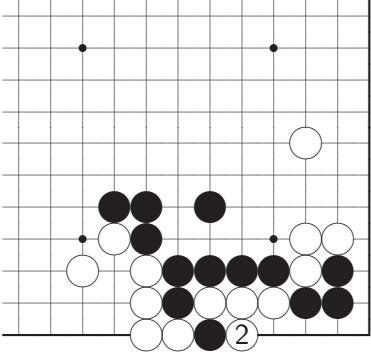
Diagram 237
(Moves: 1-3)
③ at ②.

Correct



Variation 340 for Black 1

Turning like this is often a good move, but in this case,



Variation 341 for Black 1

White will play here and now Black's corner stones are captured.

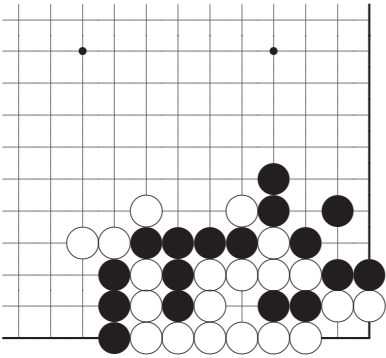


Diagram 238
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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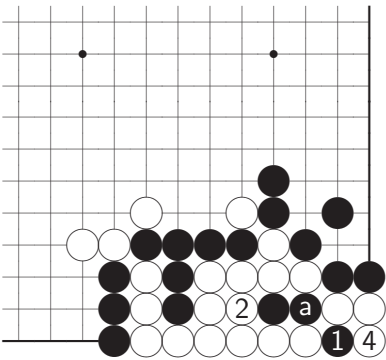
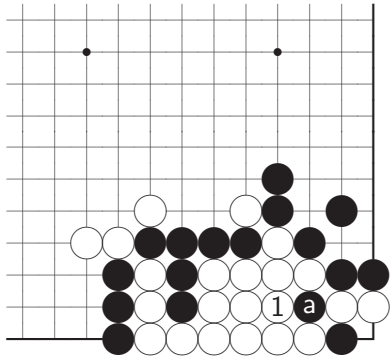


Diagram 239
(Moves: 1-5)

3 at a,
 5 at 1.

Correct



Variation 342 for White 4
 ② at a.

Correct

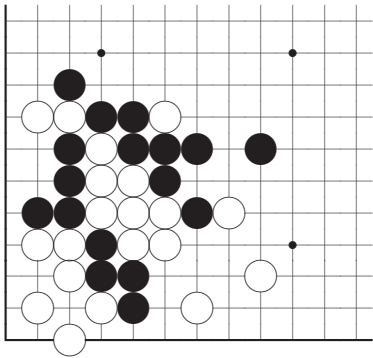


Diagram 240
 (Move: 1)

Black to play.

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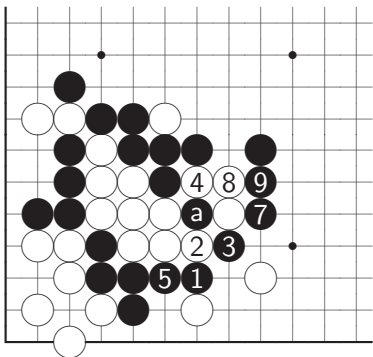
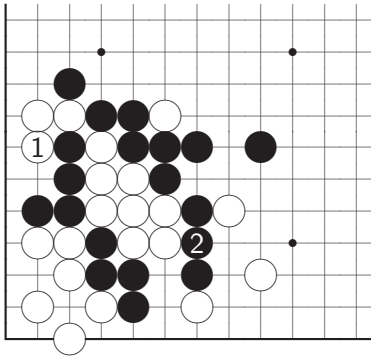


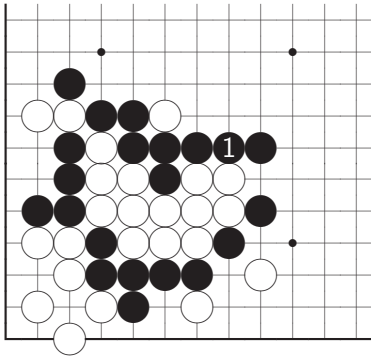
Diagram 241
 (Moves: 1-9)
 ⑥ at a.

Correct



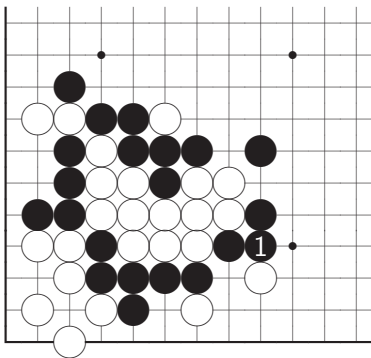
Correct

Variation 343 for White 2



Correct

Variation 344 for Black 9



This is also possible, but there's a better one.

Variation 345 for Black 9

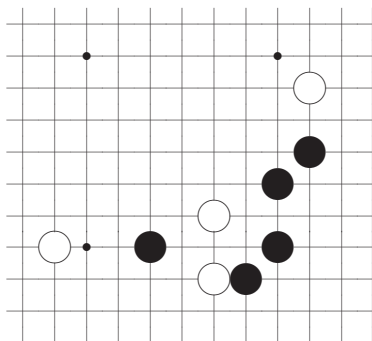


Diagram 242
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

How can Black connect his all stones?

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Correct

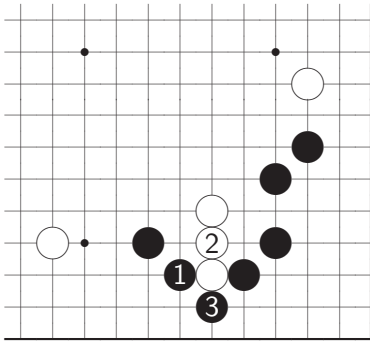
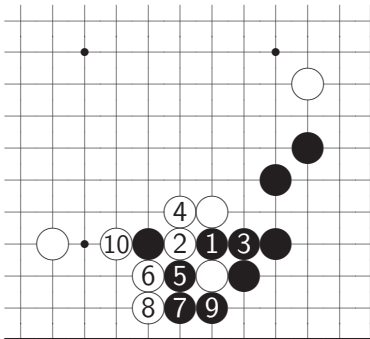
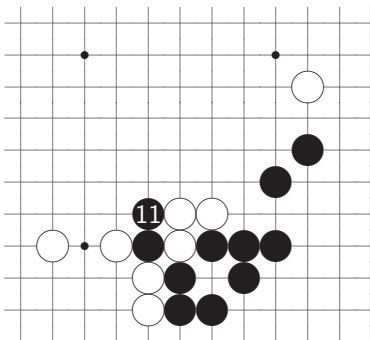


Diagram 243
(Moves: 1-3)



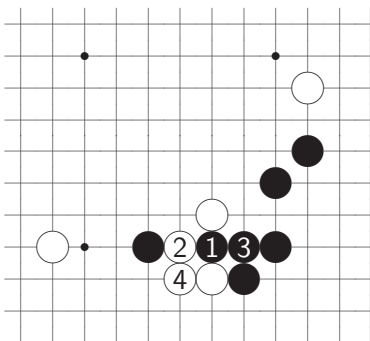
Variation 346 for Black 1

This is a kind of net, not really a ladder.



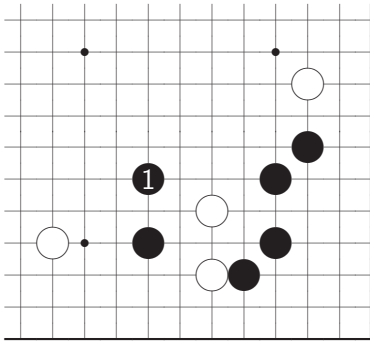
Variation 347 for Black 1

If Black tries to escape...



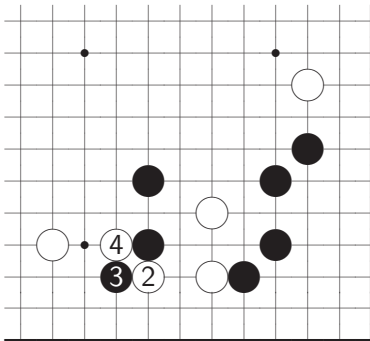
Variation 348 for Black 1

This is also good for White.



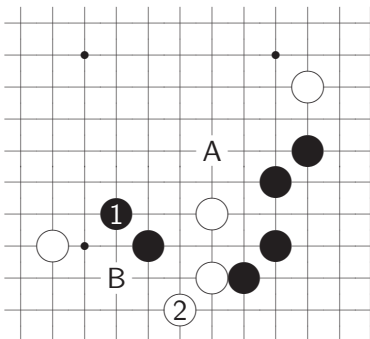
Variation 349 for Black 1

Black can attack on a large scale too.



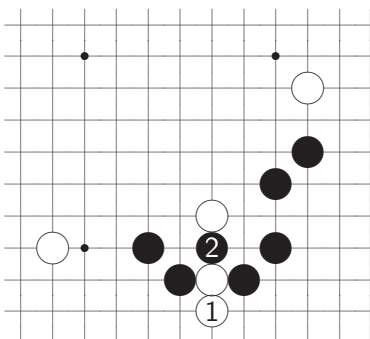
Variation 350 for Black 1

White can manage the situation lightly like this. Other moves are possible too.



Variation 351 for Black 1

A and B are miai for White next.



Variation 352 for White 2

Correct

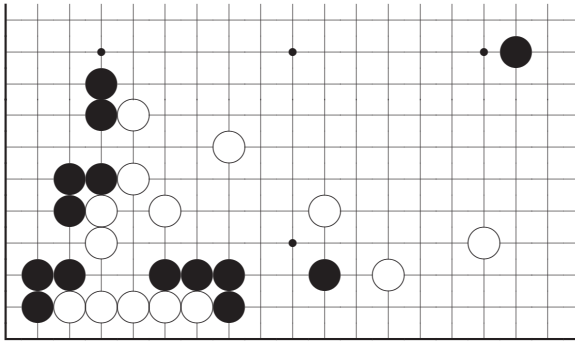


Diagram 244
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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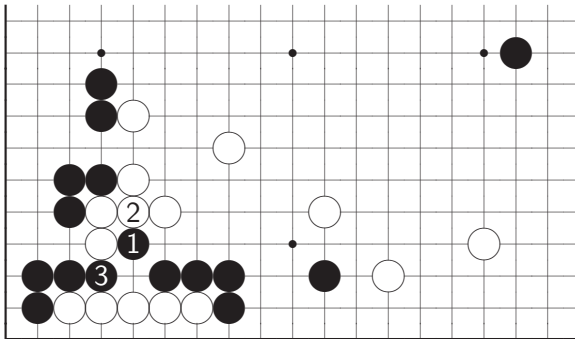
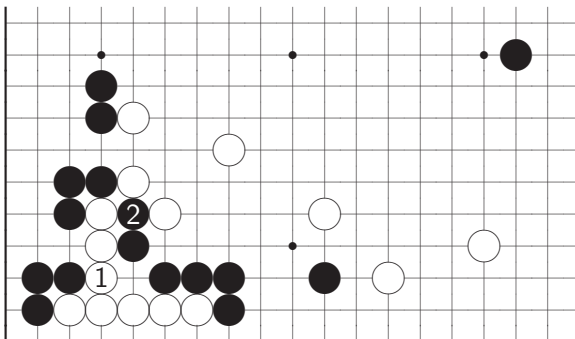
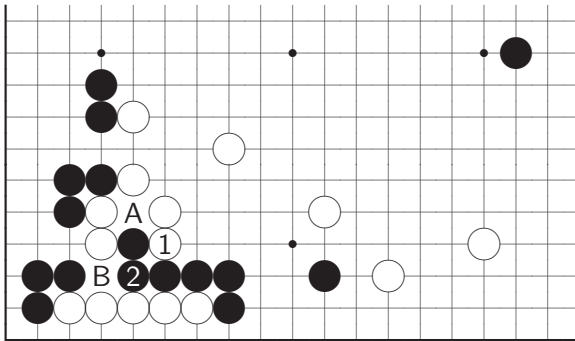


Diagram 245
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct





Variation 355 for White 2

Correct. A and B are still miai for Black.

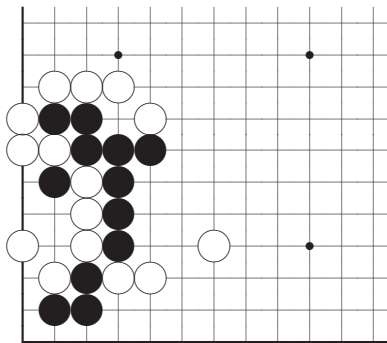


Diagram 246
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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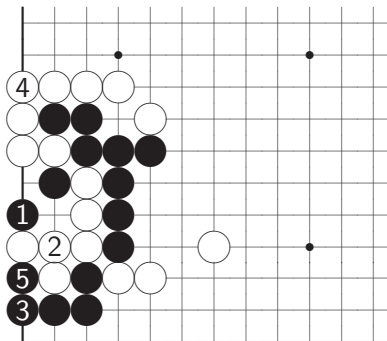
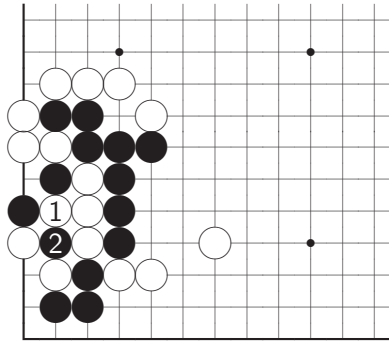


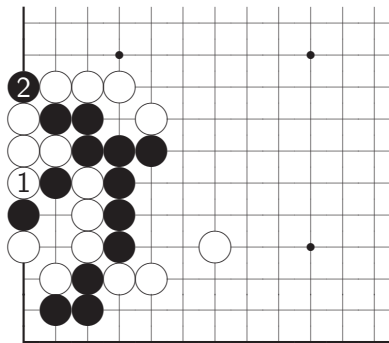
Diagram 247
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



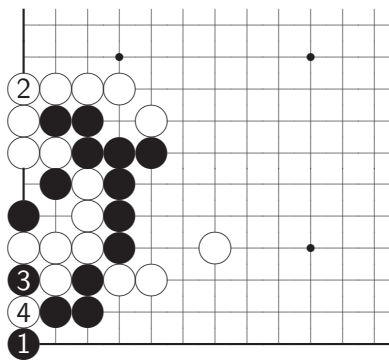
Correct

Variation 356 for White 2



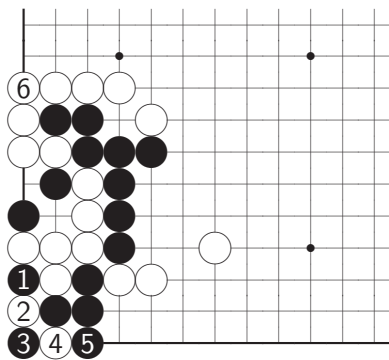
Correct

Variation 357 for White 2



It's a ko, but Black can do better.

Variation 358 for Black 3



White doesn't need to fight a ko.

Variation 359 for Black 3

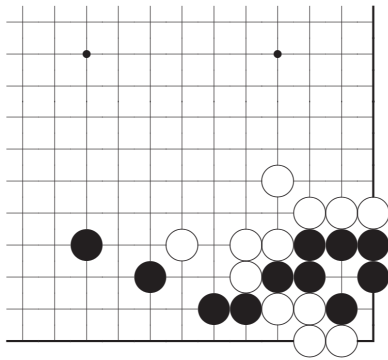


Diagram 248
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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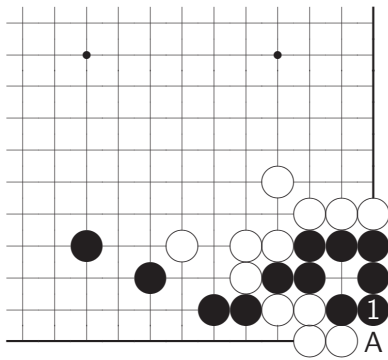
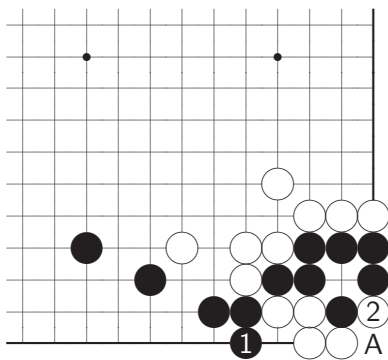


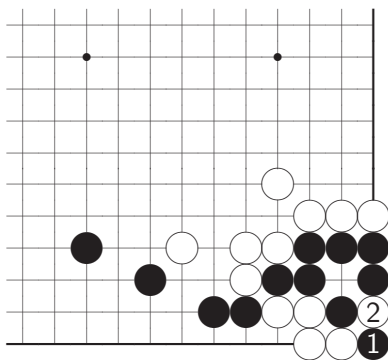
Diagram 249
(Move: 1)

Correct. Now White doesn't have enough liberties to atari at A.



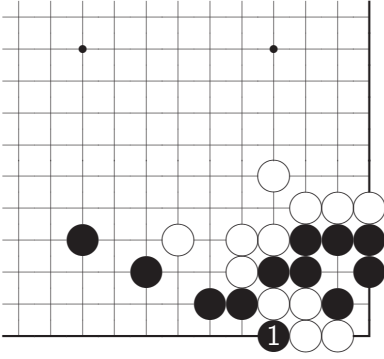
Variation 360 for Black 1

Black can capture at A, but this will be a ko fight. Black can do better.



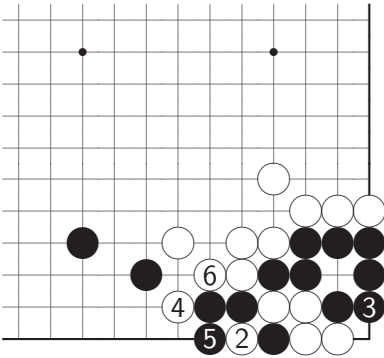
Variation 361 for Black 1

It's a ko, but Black can do better.



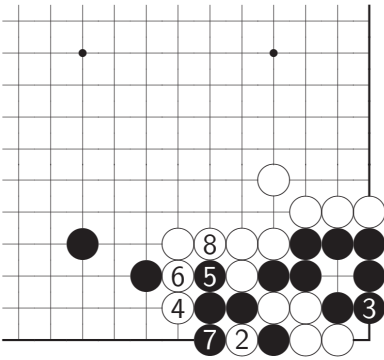
This move helps White.

Variation 362 for Black 1



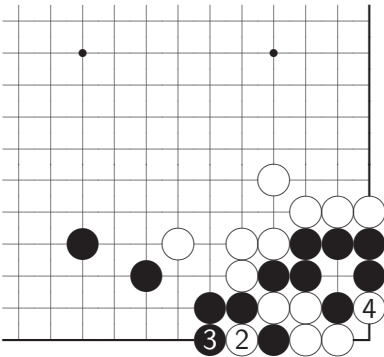
Black still has a ko, but playing like this is unnecessary

Variation 363 for Black 1



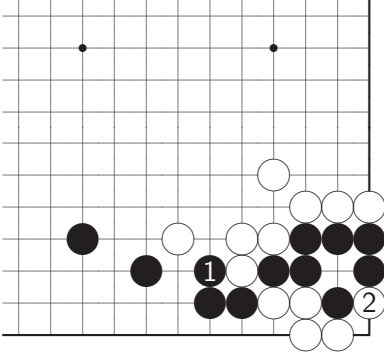
Black still has a ko, but playing like this is unnecessary

Variation 36₄ for Black 1



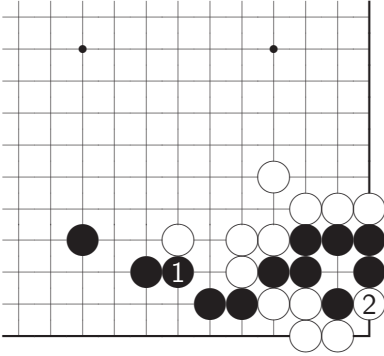
If Black wants a ko, he'll get one, but Black can avoid ko completely.

Variation 365 for Black 1



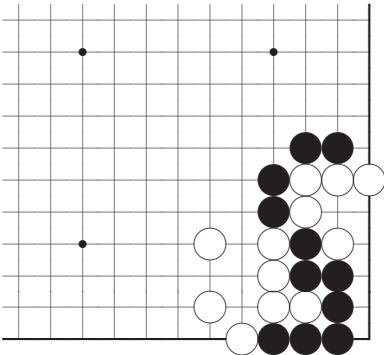
It's a ko fight, but Black can do better.

Variation 366 for Black 1



It's a ko fight, but Black can do better.

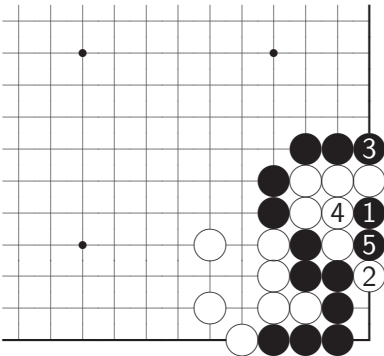
Variation 367 for Black 1



Black to play.

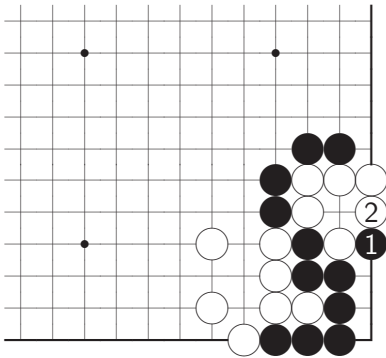
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Diagram 250
(Move: 1)



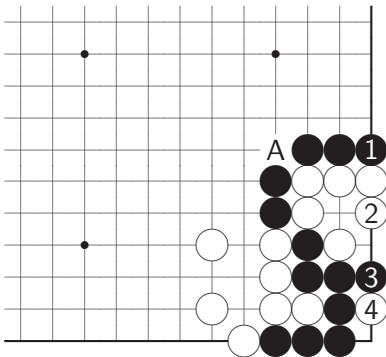
Correct

Diagram 251
(Moves: 1-5)



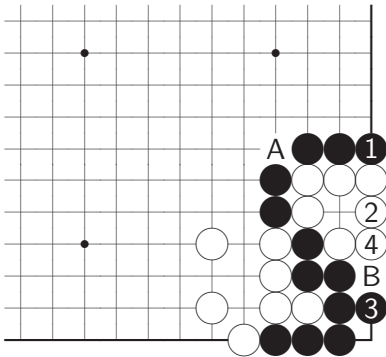
Variation 368 for Black 1

White can resist with a ko. Can you do better?



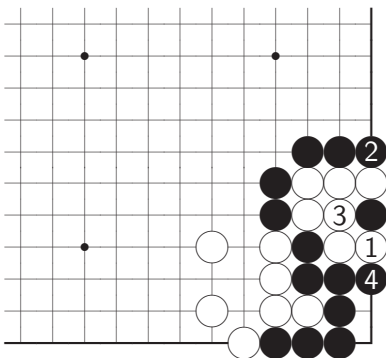
Variation 369 for Black 1

This is a seki, but now Black has to worry about the cutting point at A.



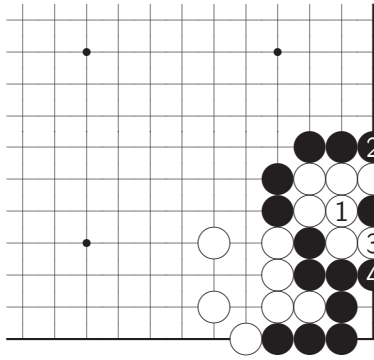
Variation 370 for Black 1

This is a seki, but now Black has to worry about the cutting point at A. White could also have chosen to fight a ko at B.



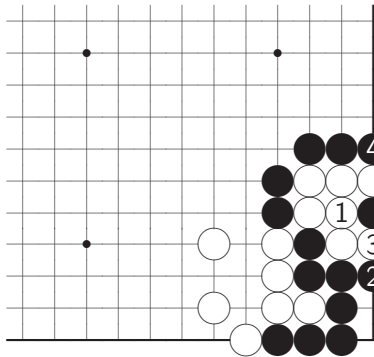
Variation 371 for White 2

Correct



Variation 372 for White 2

Correct



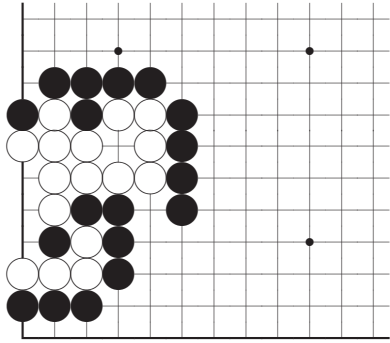
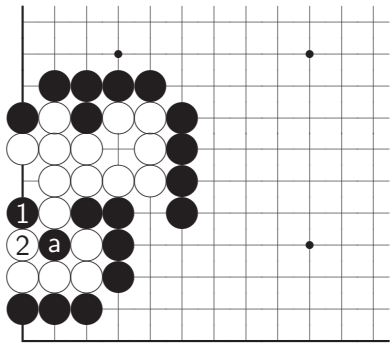


Diagram 254
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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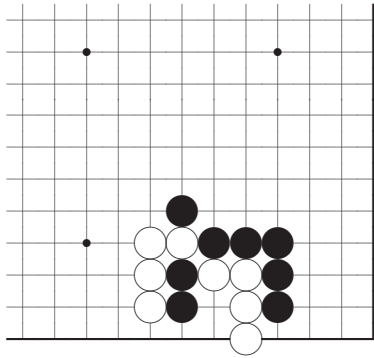


Diagram 256
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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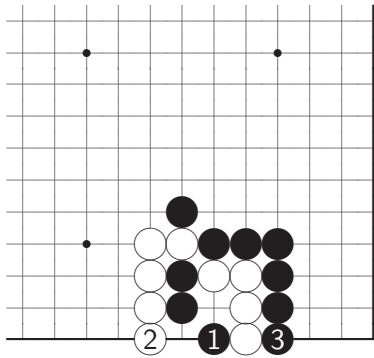
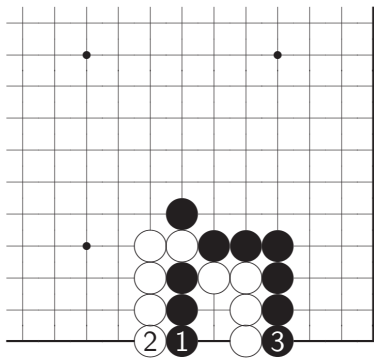
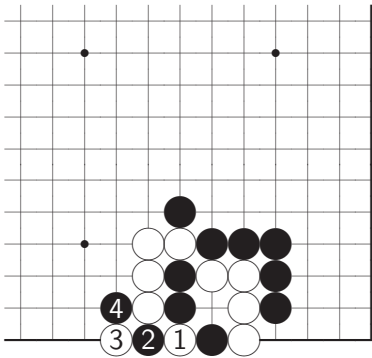


Diagram 257
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct





Variation 377 for White 2
 ⑤ at ①.

It's a ko, but it's unnecessary for Black to fight a ko here.

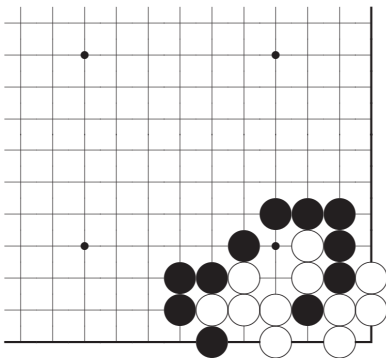


Diagram 258
 (Move: 1)

Black to play.

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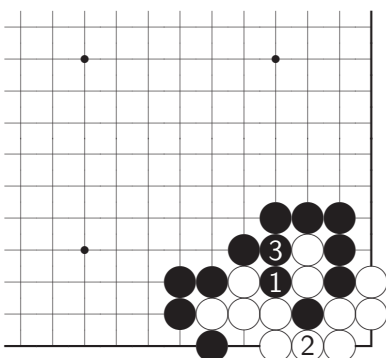
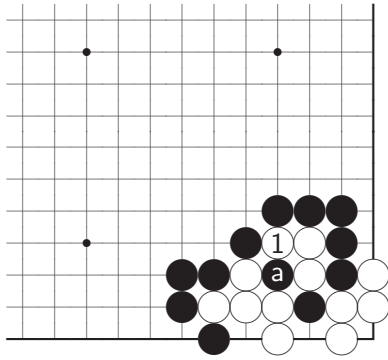


Diagram 259
 (Moves: 1-3)

Correct



Variation 378 for White 2
 2 at a.

Correct

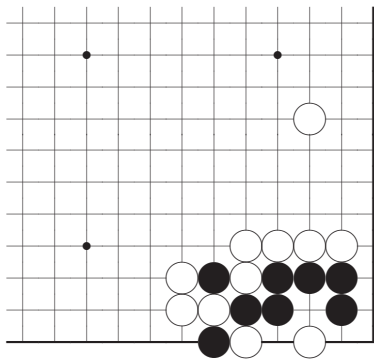


Diagram 260
 (Move: 1)

Black to play.

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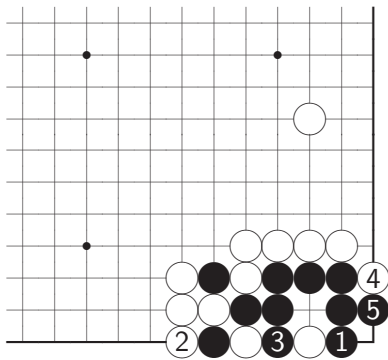
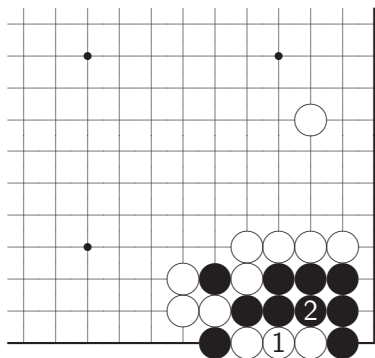


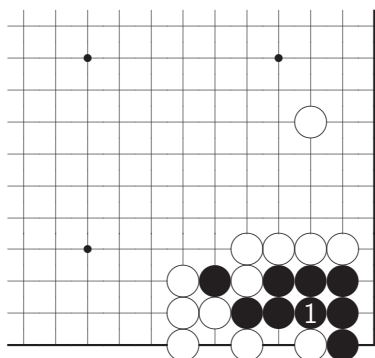
Diagram 261
 (Moves: 1-5)

Correct



Variation 379 for White 2

Correct



Variation 380 for Black 3

Correct. It's not best though.

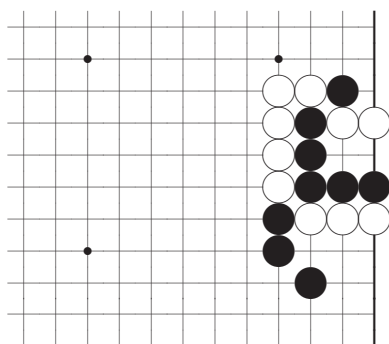


Diagram 262
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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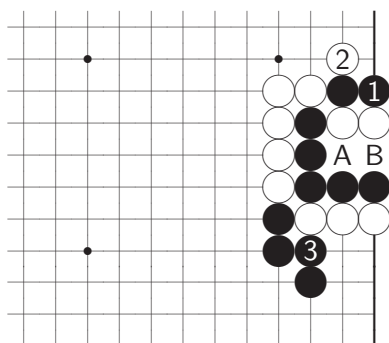
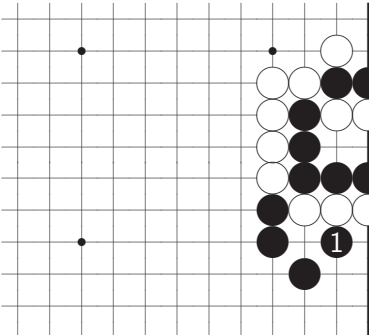


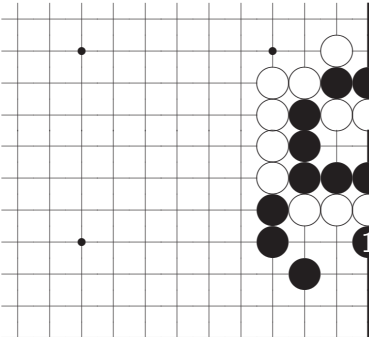
Diagram 263
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. White doesn't have enough liberties to atari at A or B, so Black will win the capturing race.



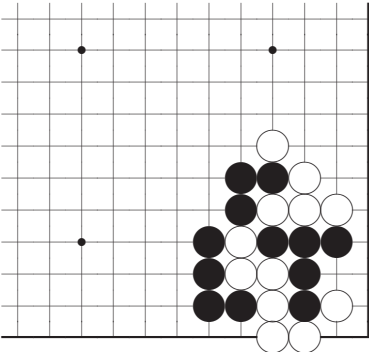
Correct

Variation 381 for Black 3



Correct

Variation 382 for Black 3

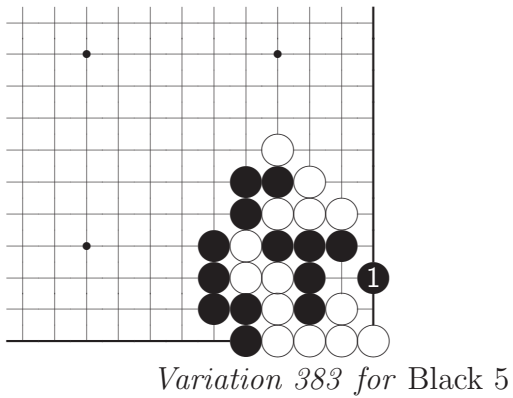
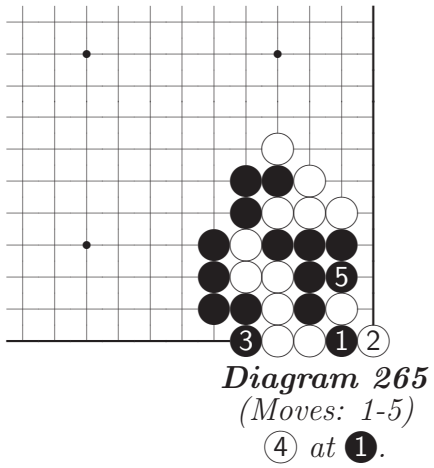


Black to play.

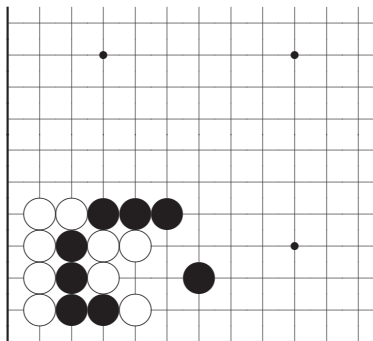
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Diagram 264
(Move: 1)

Correct



Correct, but not the best. White has one more liberty.



Black to play.

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Correct

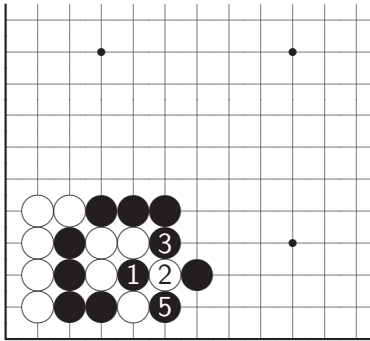
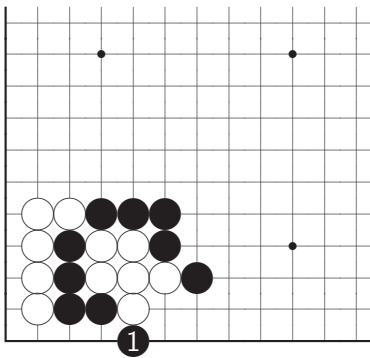


Diagram 267
 (Moves: 1-5)
 ④ at ①.

Correct



Variation 384 for Black 5

Black to play.

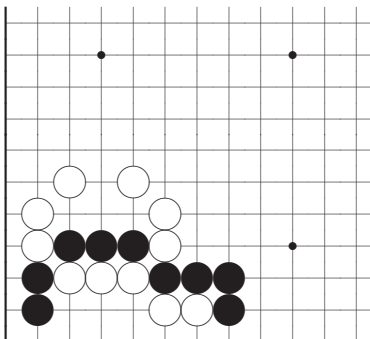
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Diagram 268
 (Move: 1)

Correct

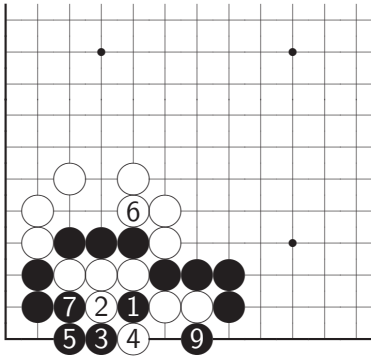
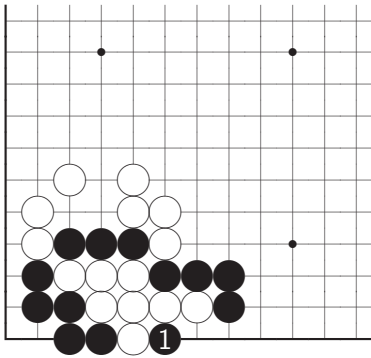


Diagram 269
 (Moves: 1-9)
 ⑧ at ①.

Correct



Variation 385 for Black 9

Black to play.

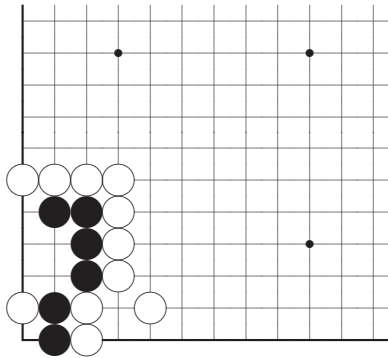
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Diagram 270
 (Move: 1)

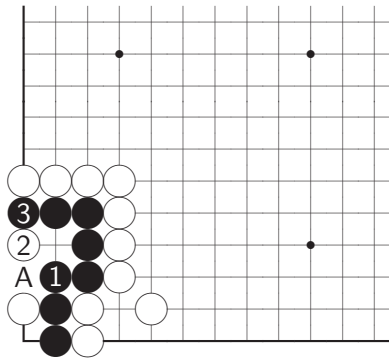
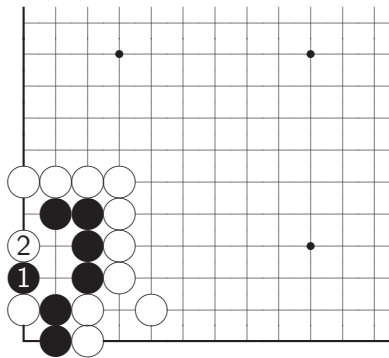


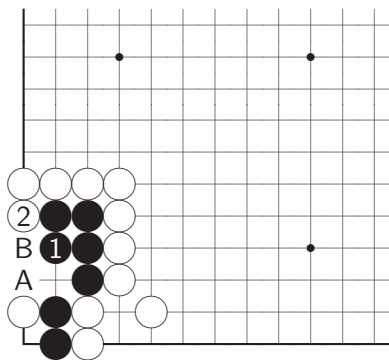
Diagram 271
(Moves: 1-3)

Correct. Even if White plays at A next, Black's still alive in seki: <http://senseis.xmp.net/?seki>



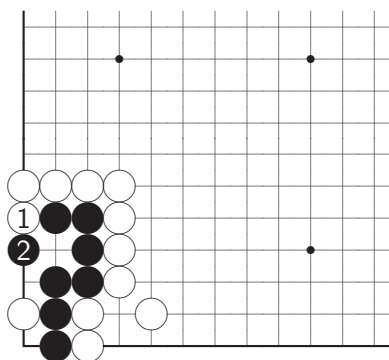
Variation 386 for Black 1

White can also kill Black like this.



Variation 387 for Black 1

Even if Black plays at A or B next, White can ignore it and Black's still dead.



Variation 388 for White 2

Correct

Correct

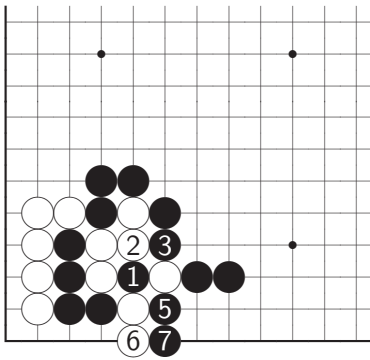
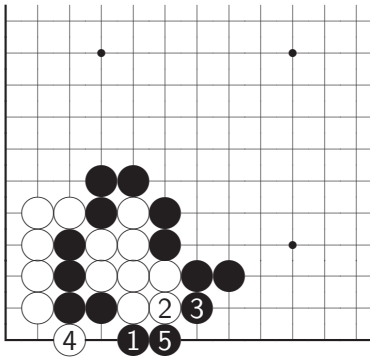


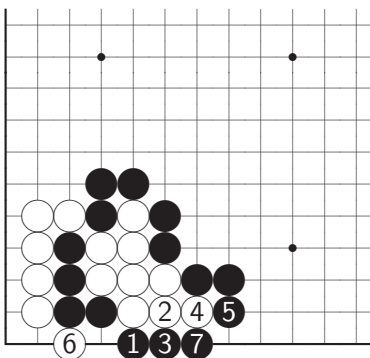
Diagram 272
(Moves: 1-7)
 ④ at ①.

Correct



Variation 389 for Black 5

Correct



Variation 390 for Black 5

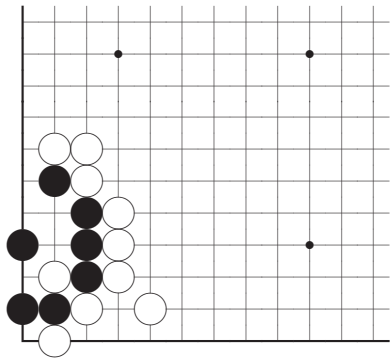


Diagram 273
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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Correct

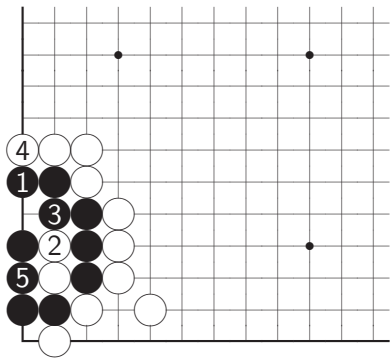
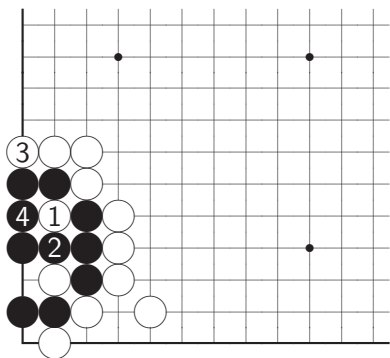
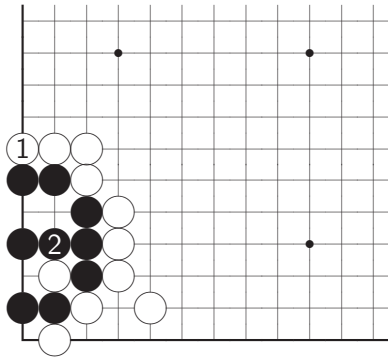


Diagram 274
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct





Variation 393 for White 2

Correct

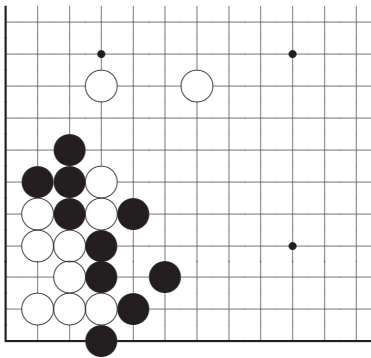


Diagram 275
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

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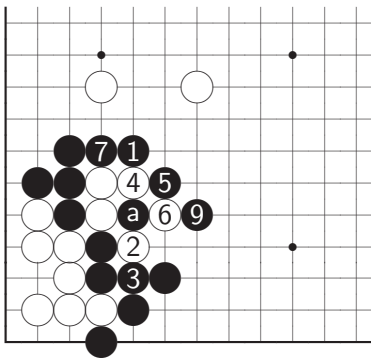
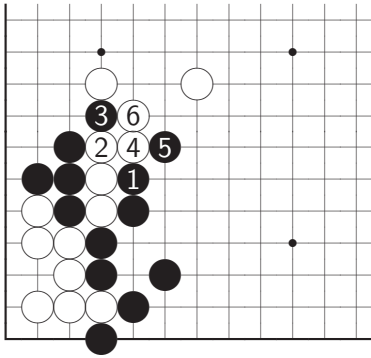


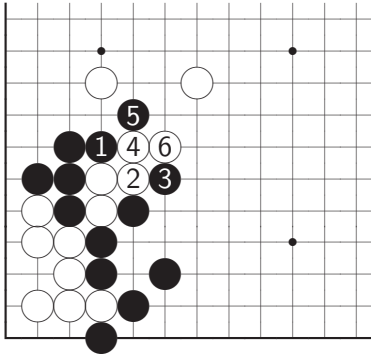
Diagram 276
(Moves: 1-9)
⑧ at a.

Correct



Variation 394 for Black 1

This ladder doesn't work for Black.



Variation 395 for Black 1

This ladder doesn't work for Black.

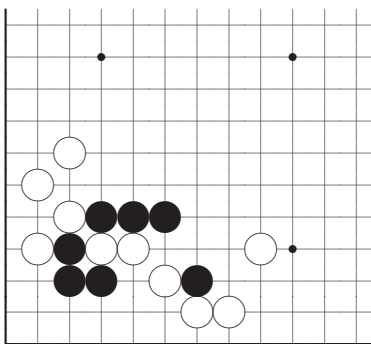


Diagram 277
(Move: 1)

Black to play.

How can Black capture the cutting stones?

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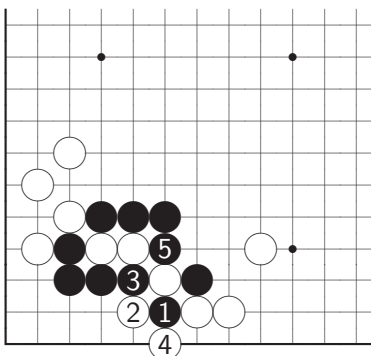
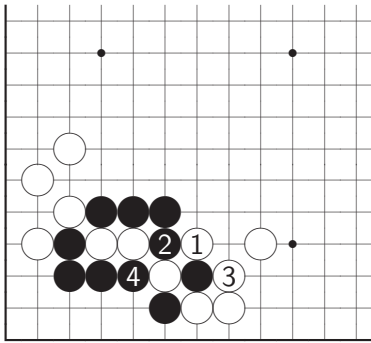


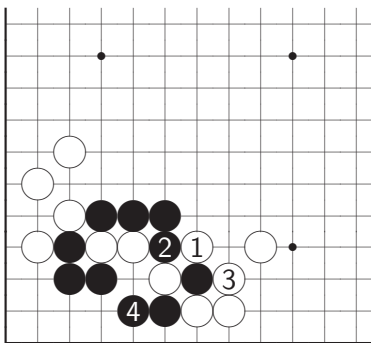
Diagram 278
(Moves: 1-5)

Correct



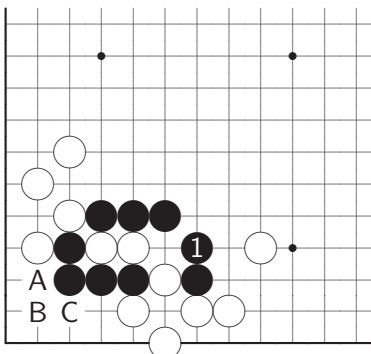
Correct

Variation 396 for White 2



Also correct.

Variation 397 for White 2



It's also possible, but not the best. When White pushes at A, Black can't block at B, because of cut at C.

Variation 398 for Black 5