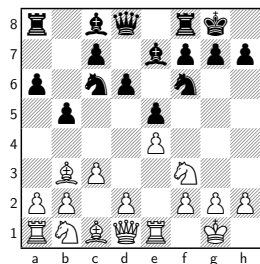
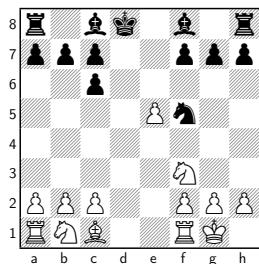


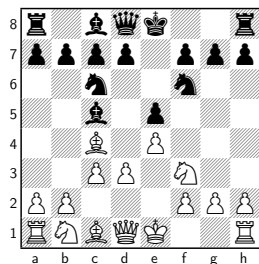
1 Open games



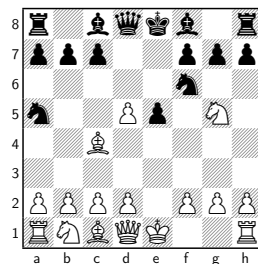
Ruy Lopez: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♚b5. **Morphy Defence:** 3...a6. **Main line:** 4 ♚a4 ♜f6 5 O-O ♜e7 6 ♚e1 b5 7 ♚b3 d6 8 c3 O-O (diagram).



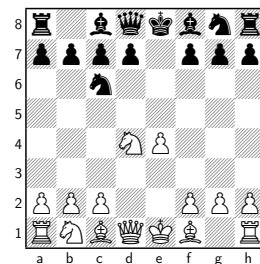
Ruy Lopez: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♚b5. **Berlin Defence:** 3...♜f6. **Main line:** 4 O-O ♜xe4 5 d4 ♜d6 6 ♚xc6 dxc6 7 dxe5 ♜f5 8 ♚x8+ ♜d8 (diagram).



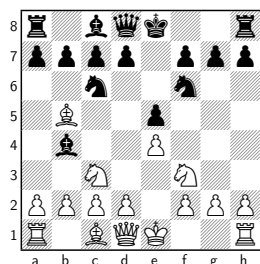
Italian Game: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♚f4. **Giuoco Piano:** 3...c5. **Giuoco Pianissimo:** 4 c3 ♜f6 5 d3 (diagram) or **Evans Gambit:** 4 b4 followed by 4...♚xb4 5 c3.



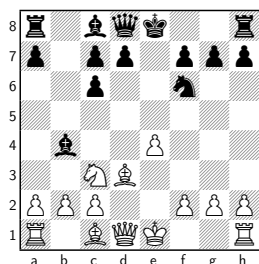
Italian game: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♚f4. **Two Knights Defence:** 3...♜f6. **Main line:** 4 ♜g5 d5 5 exd5 ♚a5 (diagram). **Modern Bishop's Opening:** 4 d3 followed by 4...♜e7 5 O-O O-O 6 ♚e1 d6.



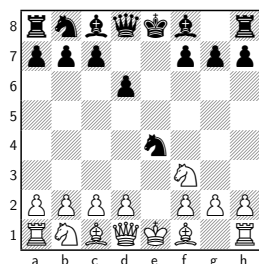
Scotch game: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 d4 exd4. **Main line:** 4 ♜xd4 (diagram), followed by **Classical:** 4...c5 or **Schmidt Variation:** 4...♜f6. Other lines: **Scotch Gambit** 4 ♚c4, **Göring Gambit** 4 c3.



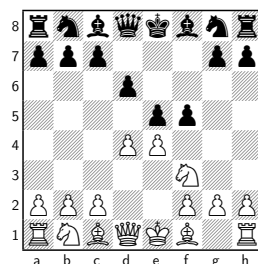
Four Knights Game: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♘c3 ♜f6. **Spanish lines:** **Double Spanish** 4 ♚b5 ♚b4 (diagram), **Rubinstein** 4...♜d4 or **Classical Variation** 4...c5.



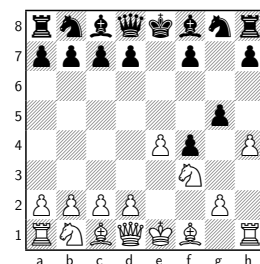
Four Knights Game: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♘c6 3 ♘c3 ♜f6. **Scotch Four Knights Game:** 4 d4, main line: 4...exd4 5 ♜xd4 ♚b4 6 ♜xc6 bxc6 7 ♚d3 (diagram).



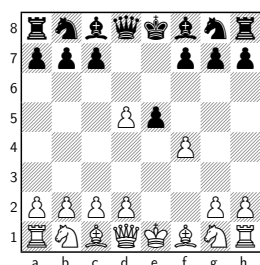
Petrov's Defence: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 ♜f6. **Classical Variation:** 3 ♜xe5 followed by 3...d6 4 ♘f3 ♜xe4 (diagram). **Steinitz Attack:** 3 d4 followed by 3...♜xe4 or 3...exd4 4 e5 ♜e4.



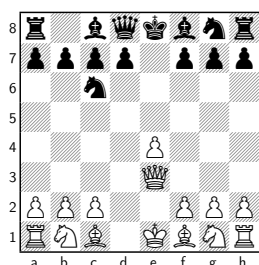
Philidor Defence: 1 e4 e5 2 ♘f3 d6. **Main line:** 3 d4 followed by **Philidor Countergambit** 3...f5 (diagram). Other lines: **Exchange** 3...exd4, **Nimzowitch** 3...♜f6 or **Hanham Variation** 3...d7.



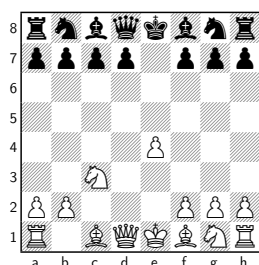
King's Gambit Accepted: 1 e4 e5 2 ♚f4 exf4. **Paris Attack:** 3 ♘f3 g5 4 h4 (diagram). Other lines: 4 ♚c4, 4 ♘c3. **Modern Defence:** 3...d5. **Bishop's Gambit:** 3 ♚c4 followed by 3...♜f6 or 3...d5.



King's Gambit Declined: 1 e4 e5 2 ♚f4. **Falkbeer Countergambit:** 2...d5 3 exd5 (diagram) followed by 3...e4 or 3...c6. **Classical Variation:** 2...c5 3 ♘f3 d6.

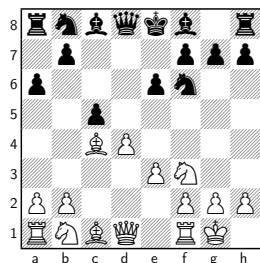


Center Game: 1 e4 e5 2 d4 exd4. Universal sequence is 3 ♚e3 d4 and **Paulsen's attack:** 4 ♚e3 c6 and **Paulsen's attack:** 4 ♚e3 c6 (diagram).

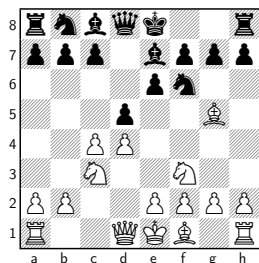


Danish gambit accepted: 1 e4 e5 2 d4 exd4 3 c3 dxc3. **Alekhine variation:** 4 ♘c3 (diagram). **Lindehn's continuation** 4 ♚c4. 3...d6, 3...♚e7 or 3...d5 to decline.

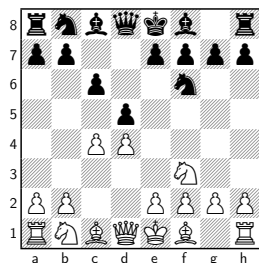
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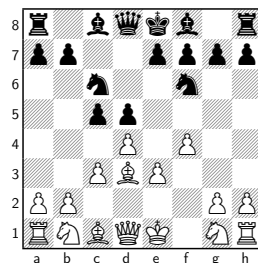
Queen's Gambit Accepted: 1 d4 d5 2 c4 dxc4, main line: 3 ♘f3 ♜f6 4 e3 e6 5 ♚xc4 c5 6 ♚ZO-O a6 (diagram).



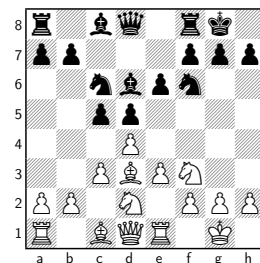
Queen's Gambit Declined: 1 d4 d5 2 c4 e6, main line: 3 ♘c3 ♜f6 4 ♚g5 ♜e7 5 ♘f3 (diagram).



Slav Defence: 1 d4 d5 2 c4 c6, main line: 3 ♘f3 ♜f6 (diagram) followed by 4 e3 or 4 c3.

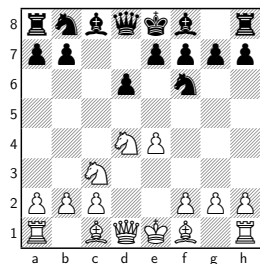


Stonewall Attack: 1 d4 d5 2 e3 ♜f6 3 ♚f3 c5 4 c3 ♜f6 5 f4 (regardless of how Black defends!).

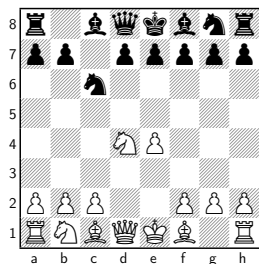


Colle System: 1 d4 ♜f6 2 ♘f3 d5 3 e3 e6 4 ♚f3 c5 5 O-O ♜f6 6 ♚e1 ♜d6 7 c3 O-O 8 ♚bd2 (regardless of how Black defends!).

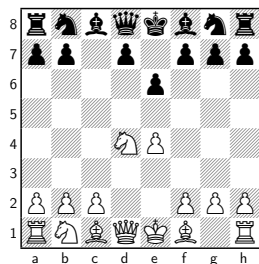
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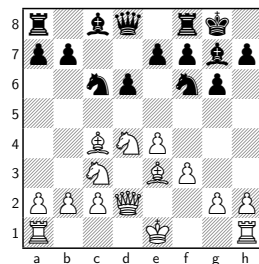
Sicilian Defence: 1 e4 c5, usually followed by **2 d3**. After **2...d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 dxd4 f6 5 d3** (diagram) Black can choose between four major variations: *Najdorf* **5...a6**, *Dragon* **5...g6**, *Classical* **5...c6** or *Scheveningen* **5...e6**.



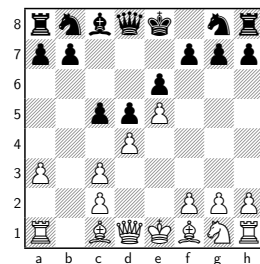
Sicilian Defence: 1 e4 c5. After **2 d3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 dxd4** (diagram) common move is **4...f6**. Other important moves are: *transposed Taimanov Variation* **4...e6**, *Accelerated Dragon* **4...g6** and *Kalashnikov Variation* **4...e5**.



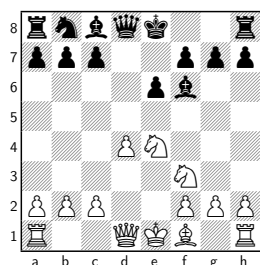
Sicilian Defence: 1 e4 c5. After **2 d3 e6 3 d4 cxd4 4 dxd4** (diagram) Black has three main moves: *Taimanov Variation* **4...c6**, *Kan Variation* **4...a6** and **4...f6**.



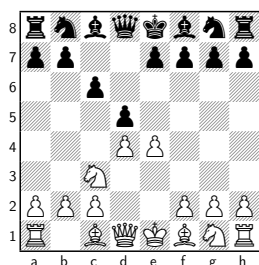
Sicilian Defence: 1 e4 c5. *Dragon Variation*: **2 d3 d6 3 d4 cxd4 4 dxd4 f6 5 d3 g6**. *Yugoslav Attack*: **6 f3 g7 7 f3 O-O 8 d2 c6 9 c4**. Main line: **9...d7 10 ZZO-O-O c8 11 b3 d5 12 b1 e8** (diagram).



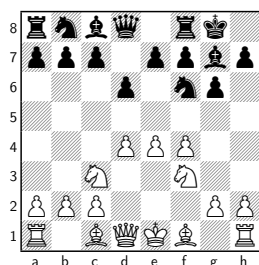
French Defence: 1 e4 e6, usually followed by **2 d4 d5 3 d3**. Black has three options: *Winawer* **3...b4**, main line then is: **4 e5 c5 5 a3 bxc3+ 6 bxc3** (diagram); *Classical* **3...d6**; *Rubinstein* **3...dxe4**.



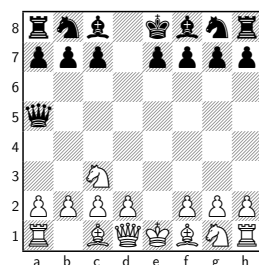
French Defence: 1 e4 e6 2 d4 d5 3 d3. *Burn variation* is a line in classical variation: **3...d6 4 g5 dxe4 5 dxe4**, usually followed by **5...e7 6 f6 f6 7 f3** (diagram).



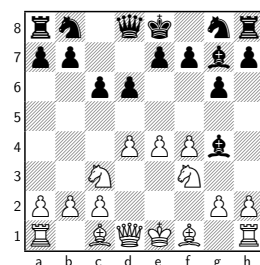
Caro-Kann Defence: 1 e4 c6, after **2 d4 d5** common moves are **3 d3** (diagram), **3 d2**, **3 exd5** and **3 e5**.



Pirc Defence: 1 e4 d6 2 d4 d5 3 d3 g6 followed by **4 f4 g7 5 d3 O-O** (*Austrian attack*, diagram) or **4 f3 g7 5 e2 O-O 6 O-O** (*two knights system*).

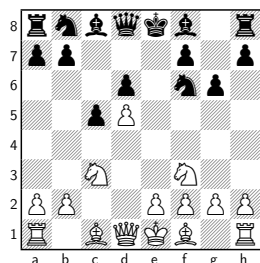


Scandinavian Defence: 1 e4 d5 2 exd5 followed by **2...xd5 3 d3** and then **3...a5** (diagram) or **3...d8** or **3...d6**. Another main branch is **2...d6 3 d4 xd5 4 c4**,

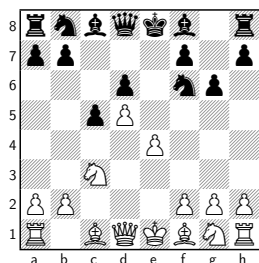


Modern Defence: 1 e4 g6 followed by **2 d4 g7 3 d3 d6 4 f4 c6 5 d3 g4**.

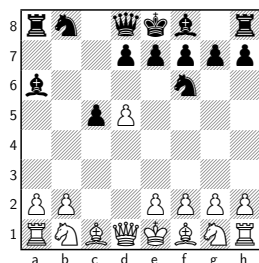
4 Indian defences



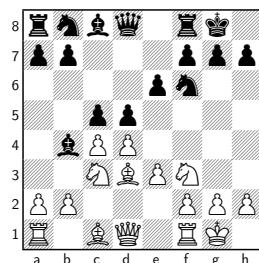
Modern Benoni: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 e6, can be followed by **4 d3 exd5 5 cxd5 d6 6 d3 g6** and then *classical*: **7 d3 g7 8 e2 O-O 9 O-O** (diagram) or *modern main line*: **7 d3 g7 8 h3 O-O 9 d3**.



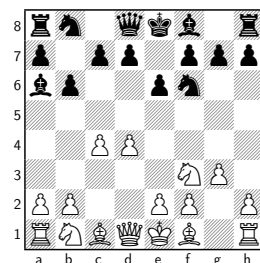
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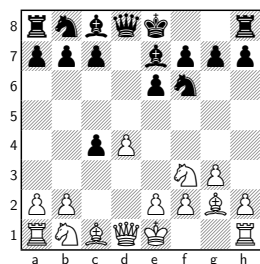
Benko/Volga Gambit: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 c5 3 d5 b5, main line: **4 cxb5 a6 5 bxa6 a6** (diagram).



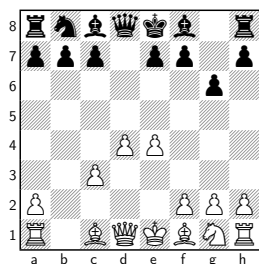
Nimzo-Indian Defence: 1 d4 f6 2 c4 e6 3 d3 c3 b4, common reply is *Rubinstein System*: **4 e3** with main line: **4...O-O 5 d3 d5 6 d3 c5 7 O-O** (diagram).



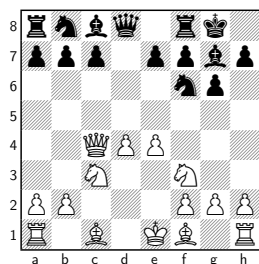
Queen's Indian Defence: 1 d4 f6 2 c4 e6 3 d3 b6, main line: **4 g3 a6** (diagram).



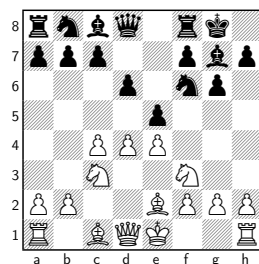
Catalan Opening: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 e6 3 g3 with *classical line*: **3...d5 4 g2 dxc4 5 d3 e7** (diagram).



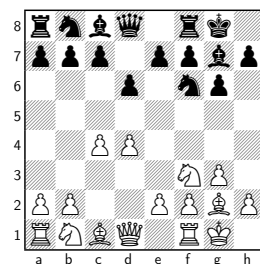
Grünfeld Defence: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 g6 3 d3 d5. *Exchange Variation*: **4 cxd5 dxd5 5 e4 dxc3 6 bxc3** (diagram).



Grünfeld Defence: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 g6 3 d3 d5. *Russian system*: **4 d3 g7 5 b3 dxc4 6 c4 ZZO-O 7 e4** (diagram). Another is *Taimanov's Variation* **4 d3 g7 5 g5**.



King's Indian Defence: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 g6, *Classical Variation*: **3 d3 c3 g7 4 e4 d5 5 d3 O-O 6 e2 e5** (diagram).



King's Indian Defence: 1 d4 d6 2 c4 g6, *Fianchetto Variation*: **3 d3 g7 4 g3 O-O 5 g2 d6 6 O-O** (diagram).