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why won't this work as one? try_pivot <- chess_data
%>%
  pivot_wider(
    names_from = new_col,
    values_from = V1,...
```



The reason this code is throwing an error is that `pivot_wider()` (and most R functions) cannot handle **duplicate arguments**. You've listed `names_from` and `values_from` three separate times, but the function expects a single set of instructions on how to reshape the data.

Think of it like a restaurant order: you can't tell the waiter "I want the burger" and "I want the salad" in the same breath if they only have one plate—you have to tell them you want a "Combo" or provide a list.

Why it's failing

1. **Duplicate Arguments:** In R, if you repeat an argument name like `values_from =` , the function gets confused about which one to use.
2. **Mapping Conflict:** `pivot_wider` expects a **vector** (a list) of columns if you are pulling data from multiple places.

The Fix: Use Vectors `c()`

To make this work as one single operation you need to combine your column names

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