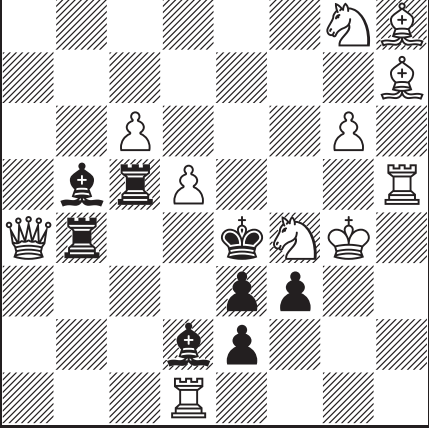
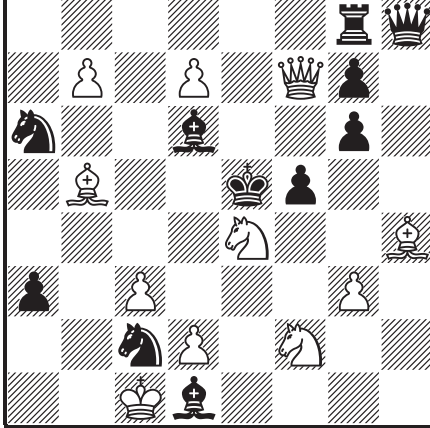
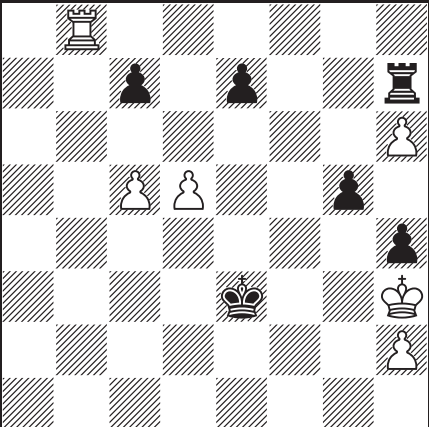
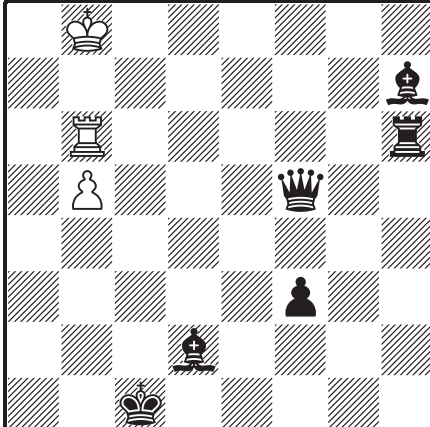
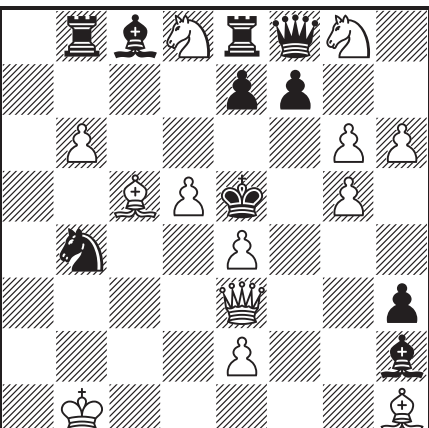
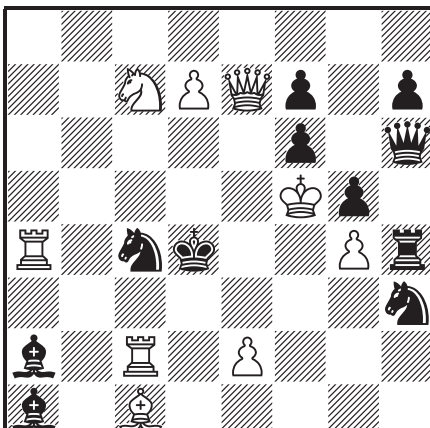


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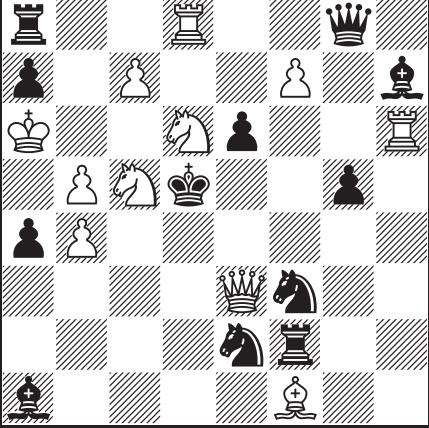
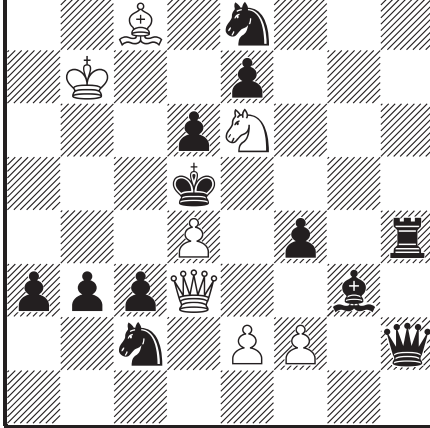
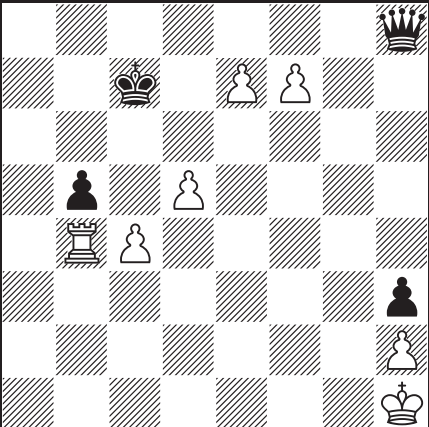
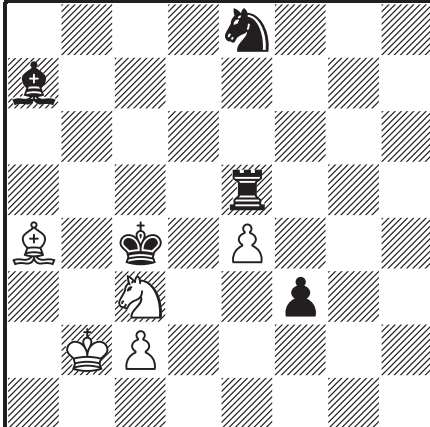
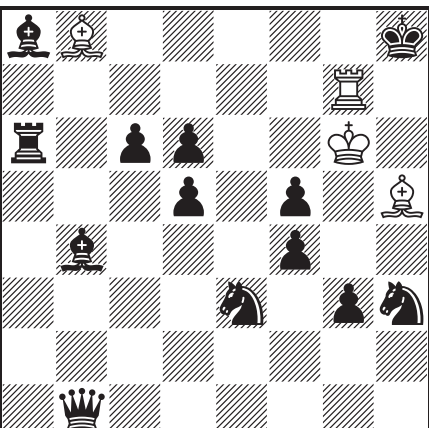
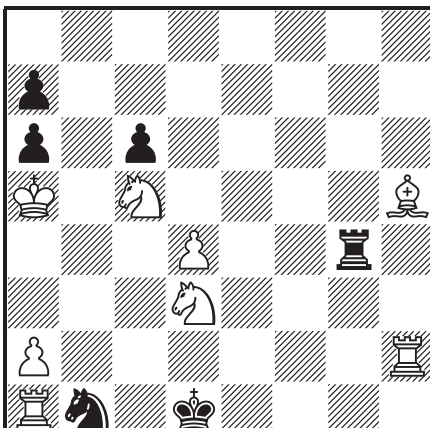
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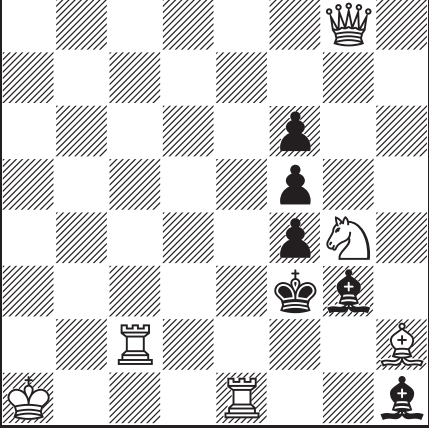
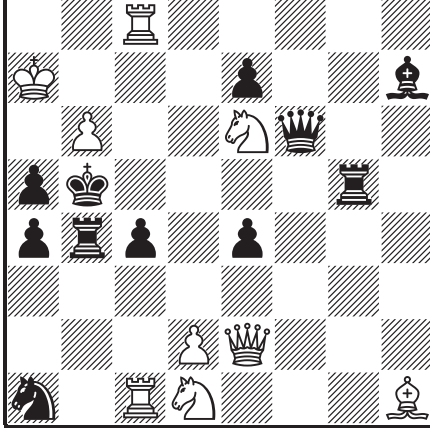
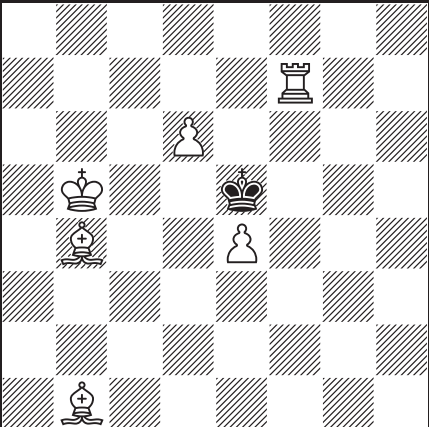
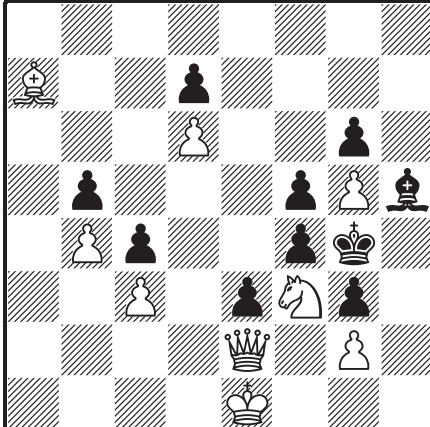
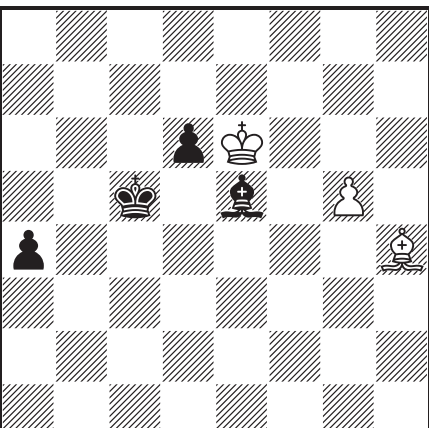
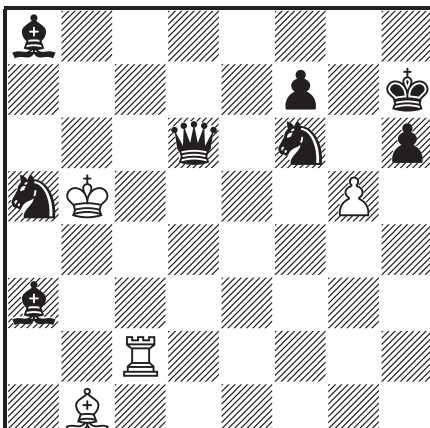
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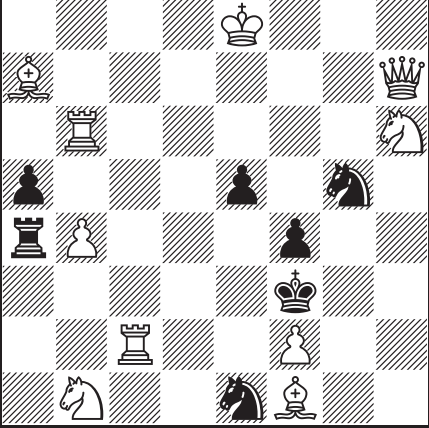
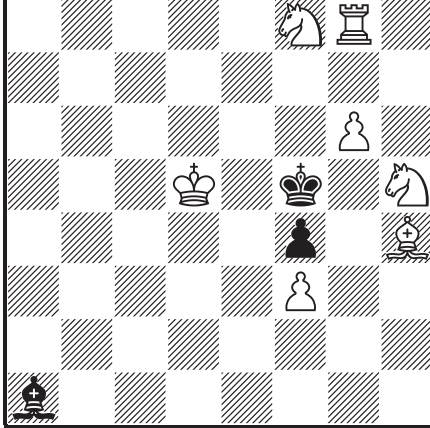
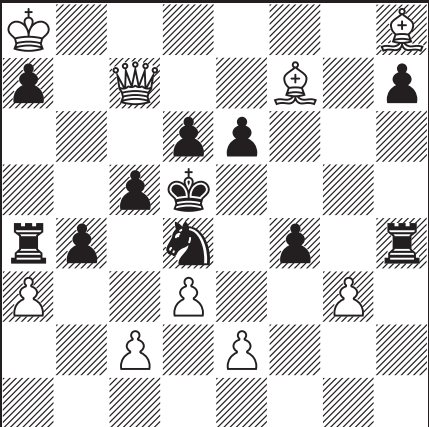
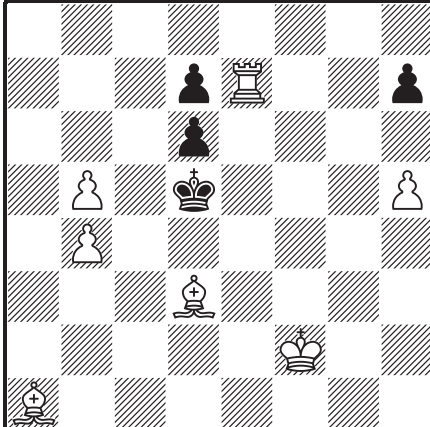
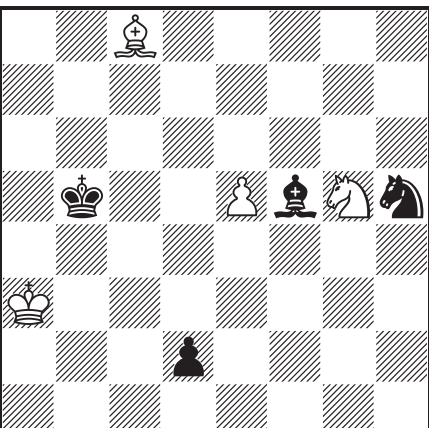
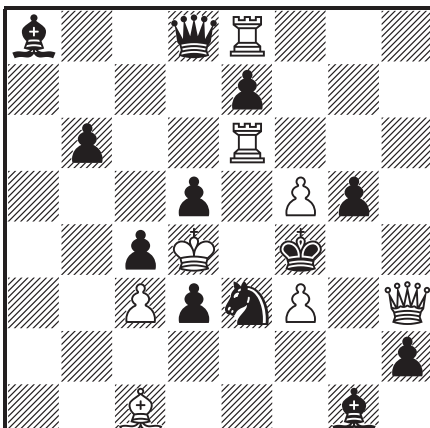
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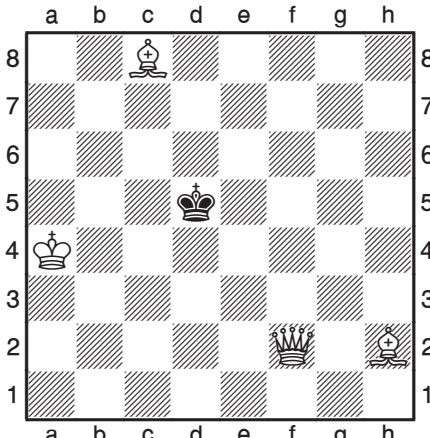
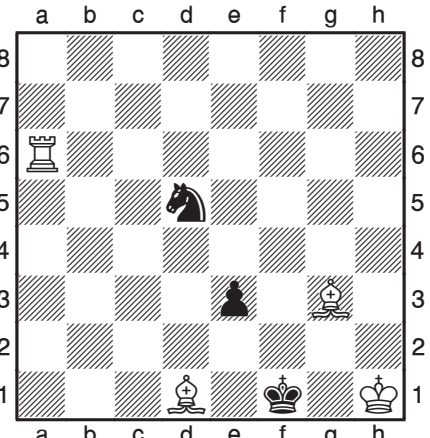
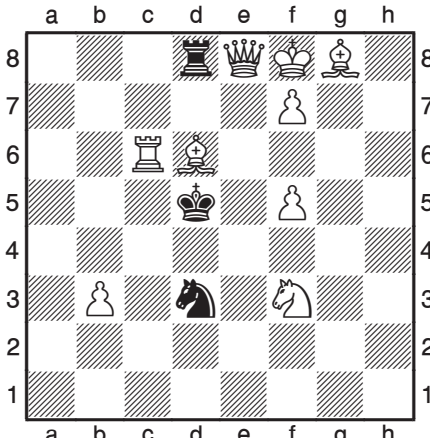
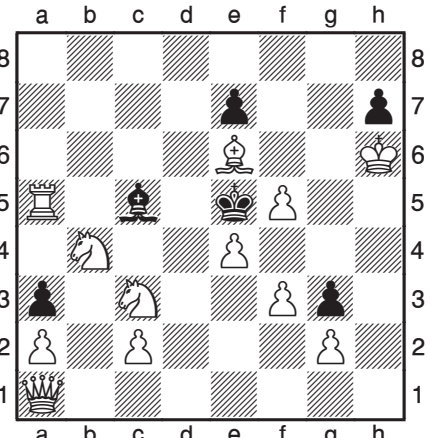
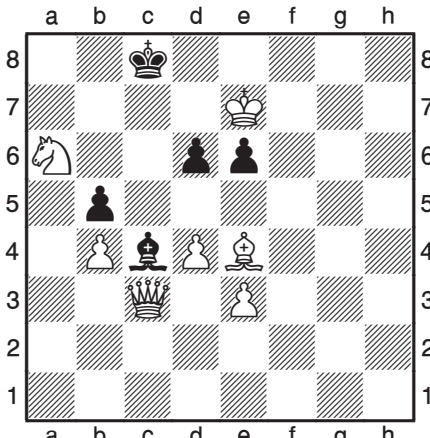
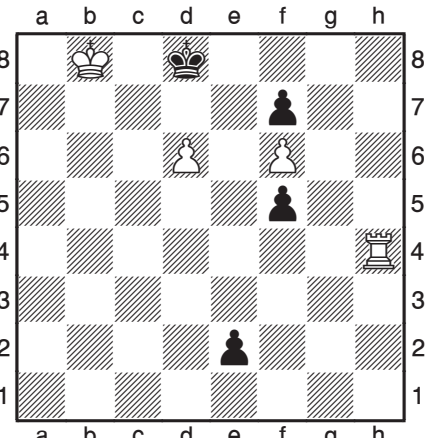
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<p style="text-align: center;">— N° 11 —</p>  <p>= 4+4</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">— N° 12 —</p>  <p>S#2 8+12</p>

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Category 3 — Problems — Time 2 hours

<p>— N° 1 —</p>  <p>#2 4+1</p>	<p>— N° 2 —</p>  <p>#2 4+3</p>
<p>— N° 3 —</p>  <p>#2 9+3</p>	<p>— N° 4 —</p>  <p>#2 12+6</p>
<p>— N° 5 —</p>  <p>#3 7+5</p>	<p>— N° 6 —</p>  <p>+ 4+4</p>

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Category 1 — Round 1 — Solutions

1) Antonio Piatesi, 3rd commendation *Olympic Tourney Haifa, 1976 (#2)*

1. ♖a7! 5,0
 (> 2. ♖c7#) 1... ♕c3 2.g7#; 1... ♖xd5 2. ♗f6#; 1... ♖xc6 2. ♖c5#
 * 1. ♕a1? ♖c3!; 1. ♕e5? ♖xc6!; 1. ♕f6? ♖xd5!

2) Jan Hannelius, 3rd prize *Olympic Tourney Haifa, 1976 (#3)*

1. ♕c7!
 (> 2. ♕xd6#)
 1... fxe4 2. ♕c4 @
 1... ♕b4 2. ♕c6 @
 1... ♕c5 2. ♗g5 @
 1... ♕xe7 2. ♖xc7+ @
 1... ♕b8 2. ♕c4 @
 1... ♕c7 2. ♕c4 @
 @ = 1,0 / 2,0 / 2,5 / 3,0 / 4,0 / 5,0 points

3) Vladimir Bron, 2nd honourable mention *Springaren, 1965 (+)*

1. ♗g4 1,5
 1... ♖xh6 2. d6 1,0
 2... exd6 3. ♖e8+ 1,5
 3... ♗d4 4. ♗xg5 ♖h7 5. ♗g6 ♖d7 6. c6 +- 1,0
 * 1. d6? exd6 2. ♗g4 dxc5! 3. ♗xg5 c4! 4. ♗g6 ♖d7 5. h7 ♖xh7! 6. ♗xh7 ♗d4! 7. ♖c8 c5! 8. ♖d8+ ♗e4!
 * 2... cxd6 3. c6
 * 3. ♗xg5? ♖c6

4) Christopher Feather, *Broodings, 2004 (H#4,5)*

- I) 1... ♖b7 2. ♖a6 bxa6 3. ♖c2 a7 4. ♖d1 a8 ♖ 5. ♕c2 ♖a3# 2,5
 II) 1... ♖c6+ 2. ♖xc6 b6 3. ♖a5 b7 4. ♖a8+ bxa8 ♖ 5. ♖c2 ♖a1# 2,5

5) Zoltan Labai, prize *Pravda, 2013 (#4)*

1. ♕f3!
 > 2. ♖c3+ ♗f4 3. ♕e3+ @
 1... ♗xd5 2. ♗c6+ ♗e6 3. ♕g4+ @
 1... ♕g1 2. ♕d4+ ♗d6 3. ♖f4+ @
 @ = 2,0 / 3,5 / 5,0 points

6) Vukota Nikoletić, *idee & form, 2000 (S#3)*

1. ♗a6!
 > 2. ♕e3+ ♗d5 3. ♖e6+ (fxe6#) 1,25
 1... ♗d5 2. ♗b4+ ♗d4 3. ♖d6+ (♗xd6#) 1,25
 1... ♖xg4 2. ♖d2+ ♗c3 3. ♖e3+ (♗xe3#) 1,25
 1... ♗f4 2. d8 ♖ ♗d5 3. ♖xf6+ (♖xf6#) 1,25
 * 1. ♕a3? ♗f4!

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Category 1 — Round 2 — Solutions

7) Colin Sydenham, *Sinfonie Scacchistiche*, 1978 (#2)

1. ♖d7! 5,0
 (>2. ♖c5) 1... ♗d4 2. ♖xe6#; 1... ♗ed4 2. ♗f6#; 1... ♗fd4 2. ♖c5#
 * 1. ♗xa4? ♗fd4!; 1. ♗xd3? ♗ed4!

8) Jens Künzelmann & Manfred Zucker, *Schach*, 1985 (#3)

1. ♗b6!
 > 2. ♖f5+ 1,0
 1... ♖h3 2. f3 1,0
 1... ♗e3 2. ♖b5+ 1,0
 1... ♖h5 2. ♗xf4+ 1,0
 1... f3 2. e4+ 1,0
 * 1. f3? ♖xe2!

9) Alexandr Maksimovskikh & Vladimir Shupletsov, commendation *Shakhmaty (Riga)*, 1984 (=)

1. ♖b1 1,0
 1... ♖h7 2. d6+ 1,0
 2... ♗xd6 3. ♖d1+ ♗xe7 4. ♖d7+ 1,0
 4... ♗xd7 5. f8 ♗+ ♗e7 6. ♗xh7 bxc4 7. ♗g5 1,0
 7... c3 8. ♗f3 c2 9. ♗g1 1,0
 9... c1 ♖ stalemate
 * 1... ♖g7 2. e8 ♗+
 * 2. ♖c1? ♖g6!

10) Drago Skerlovnik, 3rd prize *Yugoslavia Championship*, 1974 (H#3)

I) 1. ♖a5 ♗d5 2. ♗c5 ♗b6+ 3. ♗b4 c3# @
 II) 1. ♗d4 ♗d7 2. ♗c5 ♗b3 3. ♗d6 ♗a4# @
 III) 1. ♗d4 ♗e2+ 2. ♗xe4 c4 3. ♗e3 ♗c2# @
 @ = 2,0 / 3,5 / 5,0 points

11) Baldur Kozdon, *Problem-Forum*, 2009 (#10)

1. ♖c7 ♗b7 2. ♖d7 ♗a5 3. ♖f7 ♗g8 4. ♗xd6 ♖a8 5. ♖g7+ ♗h8 6. ♖h7+ ♗g8
 7. ♗e5 ♗f8 8. ♗f6 ♗e8 9. ♗h6+ 5,0

12) Cyril Swindley, *The Problemist*, 1976 (S#6)

1. d5 cxd5 2. ♗a4 d4 3. ♗b4 a5+ 4. ♗b3 a6 5. ♗c3+ dxc3 6. ♖c2 (a4#) 5,0

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1) George E. Carpenter, *The New York Clipper*, 1869 (#2)

1. ♖g5! 5,0
 1... ♕g2 2. ♖c3#; 1... ♕xe1, ♕h4 2. ♖xf4#; 1... ♕f2 2. ♖xf2#; 1... ♕xh2 2. ♗xh2#;
 1... fxg4 2. ♖d5#; 1... fxg5 2. ♗e5#

2) Fritz Karge, 7th commendation *Die Schwalbe*, 1979 (#2)

1. ♖d3! 5,0
 (> 2. ♖d7#) 1... cxd3 2. ♕c6#; 1... cxd3 2. ♗c7#; 1... ♖c5 2. ♖xc5#;
 1... ♖d5 2. ♖xd5#; 1... ♖xe6 2. ♗c3#; 1... ♖d4 2. ♗xd4#; 1... ♖b- 2. ♖xc4#

* 1.d4? ♖f3!

3) Alex Casa, *Le Patriot*, 1966 (#3)

1. ♕d2! (-)
 1... ♗d4 2. ♖f6 @
 1... ♗xd6 2. ♕f4+ @
 1... ♗e6 2. ♖e7+ @
 @ = 2,0 / 3,5 / 5,0 points

4) Hans Moser, 2nd commendation *Probleemblad*, 1972 (#4)

1. ♖a2 e2 2. ♕e3 fxe3 3. ♖a7 5,0
 3... ♗f4 4. ♖d4#
 3... f4 4. ♖xd7#

5) P.A. Vasilchikov, *Shakhmaty v SSSR*, 1951 (=)

1. g6 1,0
 1... a3 2. ♕e7 1,0
 2... a2 3. ♕xd6+ 2,0
 3... ♕xd6 4. g7 a1 ♖ 5. g8 ♖ ♖a2+ 6. ♗d7 1,0
 6... ♖xg8 stalemate

6) Manne Persson, *British Chess Magazine*, 1977 (H#2)

I) 1. ♗d5 ♖c8+ 2. f5 gxf6# e.p. 2,5
 II) 1. ♗b7 gxf6 2. ♖b8 ♖c8# 2,5

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7) Ivan Denkovski, 3rd commendation *Belgrade Internet Ty*, 2010 (#2)

1.♖g6!.....	5,0
(> 2.♘d2#) 1...♗e4 2.♙e2#; 1...♕e4 2.♜b7#	
* 1.♖b-? ♗e4!; 1.♖e2? ♖a2!	

8) André Chéron, *Morgenzeitung*, 1930 (#3)

1.♖h8!	
> 2.♗g7+	2,5
1...♙xh8 2.g7	2,5

9) Fritz Hoffmann, commendation *Sächsische Zeitung*, 1988 (#3)

1.♜c8!	
> 2.♙xc6+	@
1...♖a6 2.axb4	@
1...♖h6 2.gxf4	@
@ = 2,0 / 3,5 / 5,0 points	

10) Harry Vigo Tuxen, *Chemnitzer Tageblatt*, 1925 (#5)

1.♖e1 h6 2.♕e3 ♕e6 3.♕f4+	
3...♕d5 4.♙e2	@
3...♕f7 4.♙g6+	@
@ = 4,0 / 5,0 points	

11) Vladimir Klyukin, *Znamja Yunosti (Minsk)*, 1966 (=) [14th place Belarussia championship 1962–1971]

1.♙d7+	1,0
1...♙xd7 2.♗e4	1,5
2...d1♗ 3.♗f6	1,5
3...♗xf6 4.exf6 ♙e8/♙e6 5.f7	1,0
5...♙xf7 stalemate	
* 1.♙xf5? d1♜	
* 1...♕a5 2.♙a4	
* 2...d1♜ 3.♗c3+ ♕c4 4.♗xd1	

12) Verner Skovlund Jensen, *Thema Danicum*, 1991 (S#2)

1.♖f6!	
> 2. ♙xe3+ (♙xe3#)	1,25
1...exf6 2.♖e4+ (dxe4#)	1,25
1...e5+ 2.fxe6+ e.p. (♜xf6#)	1,25
1...d2 2.♜g4+ (♗xg4#)	1,25

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Category 3 — Solutions

1) Charles L. Fitch, *Cleveland Leader*, 1876 (#2)

1. ♔g1!	5,0
1... ♖c4/♗e5 2. ♜d4#	
1... ♗e4 2. ♜f5#	
1... ♖c6/♗d6 2. ♜c5#	

2) Hrvoje Bartolović, 3rd prize *Borzodi Vegyész*, 1965 (#2)

1. ♔g4!	5,0
> 2. ♖a1#	
1... e2 2. ♔h3#	
1... ♗c3 2. ♖f6#	

* 1. ♔f3? ♗c3!; 1. ♔h5? e2!

3) Antonio Bottacchi, 2nd prize *Good Companions (March Meredith Ty)*, 1920 (#2)

1. ♖c4!	5,0
> 2. ♖d4#	
1... ♖xe8+ 2. fxe8 ♗#	
1... ♖d7 2. ♜c6#	
1... ♖xd6 2. ♜c4#	
1... ♗xd6 2. ♜xd8#	

* Set play: 1... ♖xe8+ 2. fxe8 ♜#

4) Viktor Sizonenko, commendation *Thema Danicum*, 1994 (#2)

1. ♜e1!	5,0
1... ♗d6 2. ♜xg3#	
1... ♗f4 2. ♗d3#	
1... ♗d4 2. ♗c6#	
1... ♗f6 2. e5#	

* Set play: 1... ♗d6 2. ♗b5#; 1... ♗f4 2. ♗cd5#; 1... ♗d4 2. ♗d1#; 1... ♗f6 2. ♗cd5#

5) Yehuda Lubton, *The Problemist*, 1984 (#3)

1. ♔a8! (–)	
1... d5 2. ♜c2 (e5 3. ♜f5#)	2,5
1... e5 2. d5 (e4 3. ♜h8#)	2,5

6) Simeon Botev, *Shakhmatna Misl*, 1947 (+)

1. ♖h8+	1,0
1... ♗d7 2. ♖e8	1,0
2... ♗xe8 3. ♗c7	1,0
3... e1 ♜ 4. d7+ ♗f8 5. d8 ♜+ ♜e8 6. ♜d6+	1,0
6... ♗g8 7. ♜g3+ +-	1,0