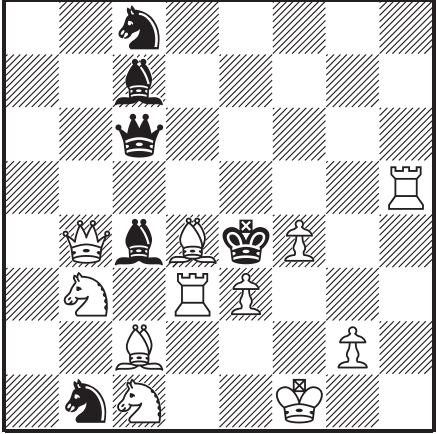
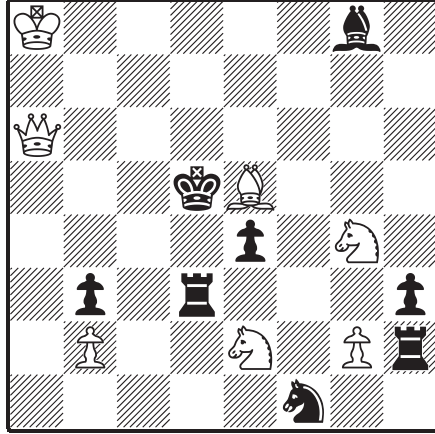
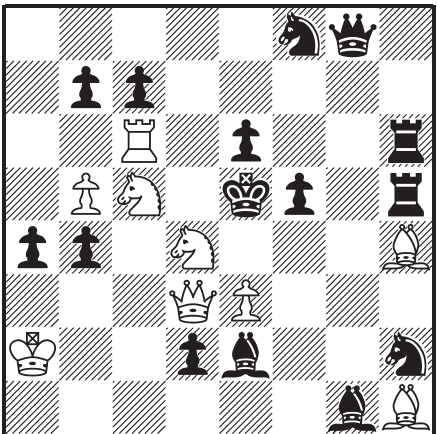
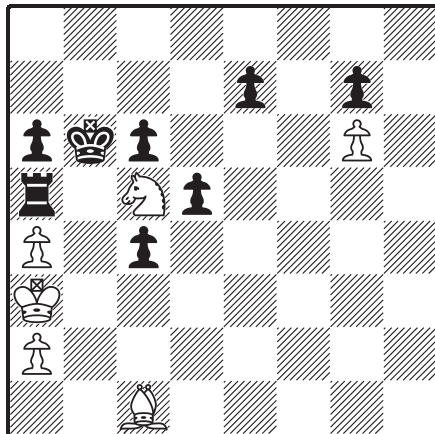
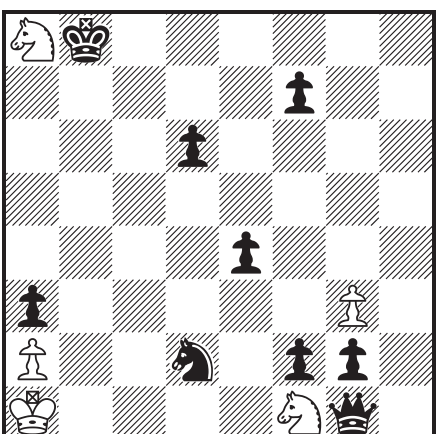
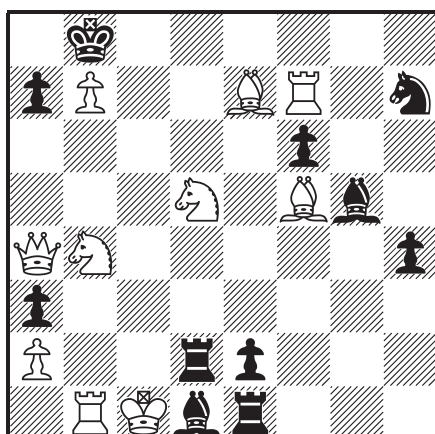


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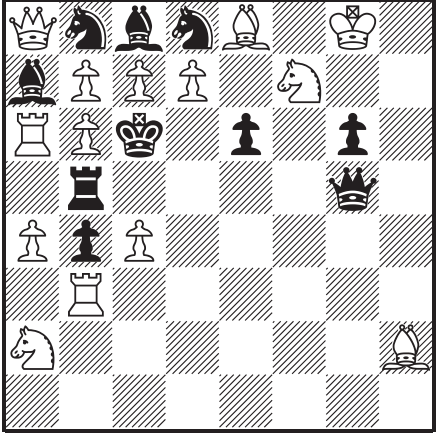
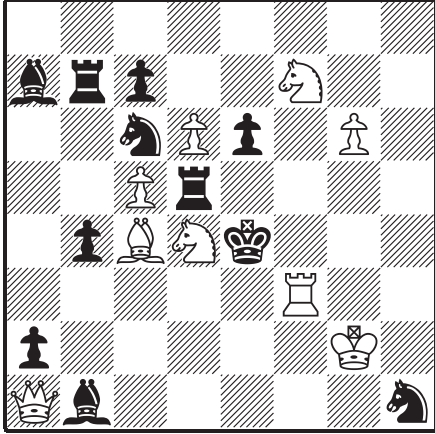
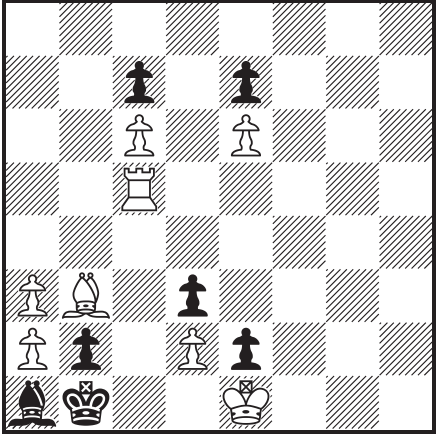
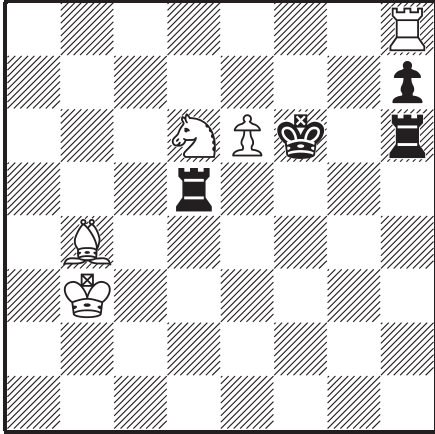
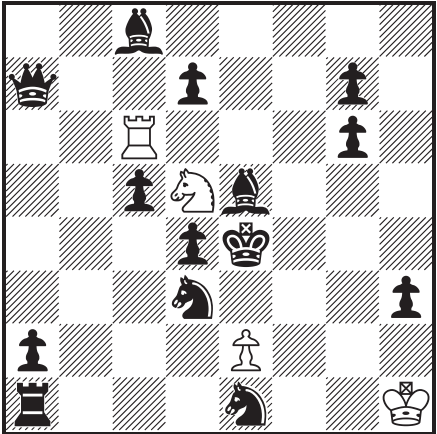
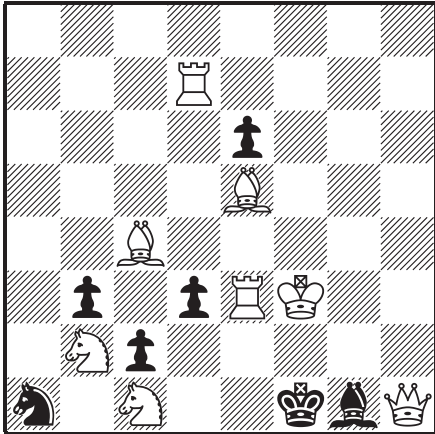
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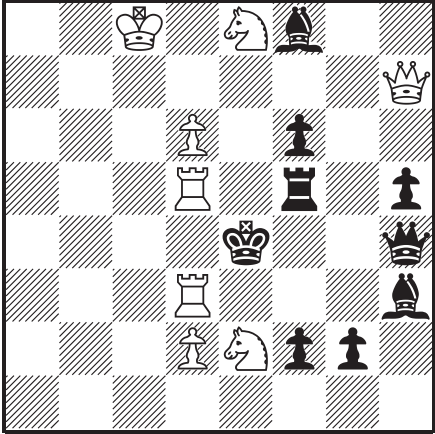
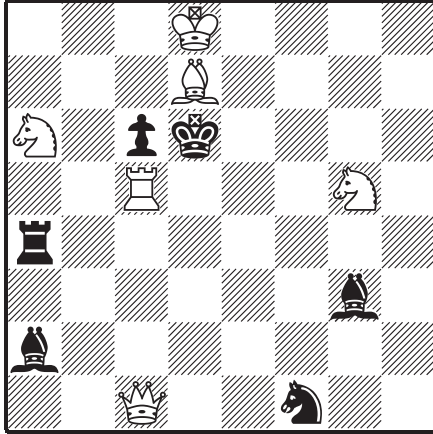
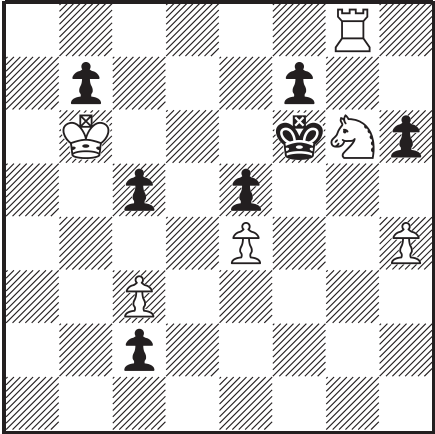
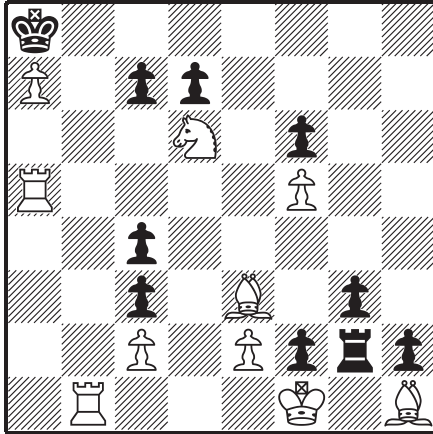
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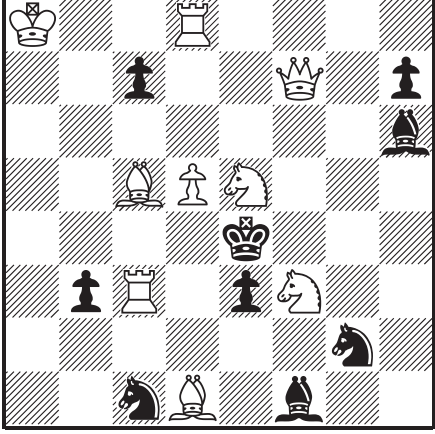
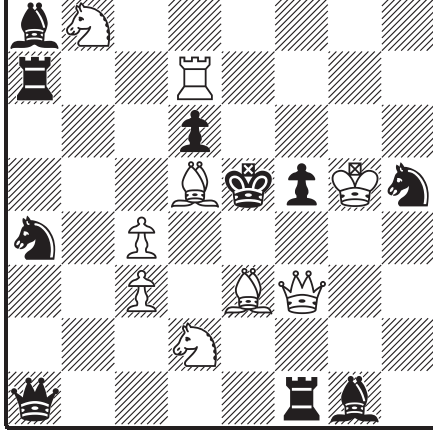
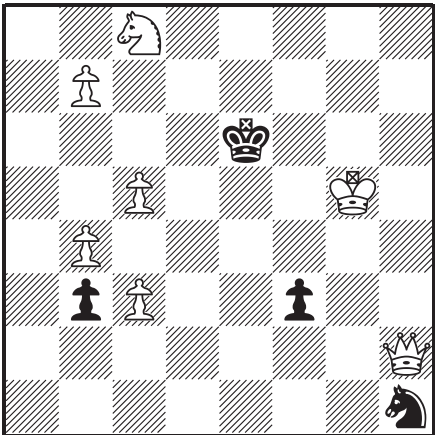
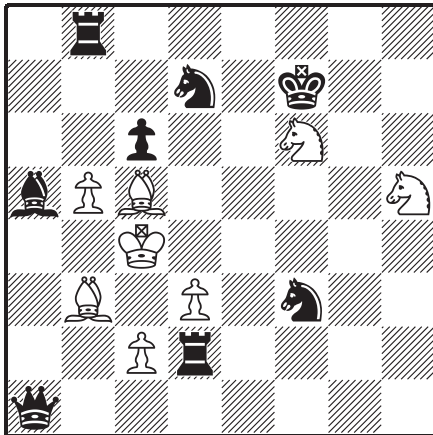
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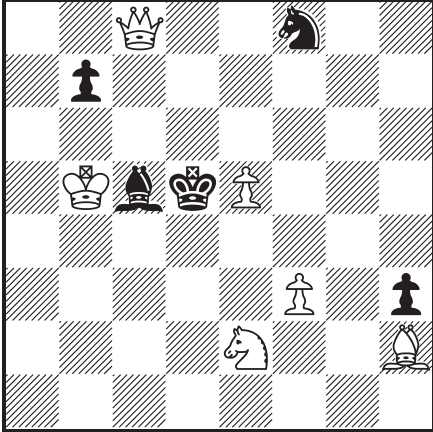
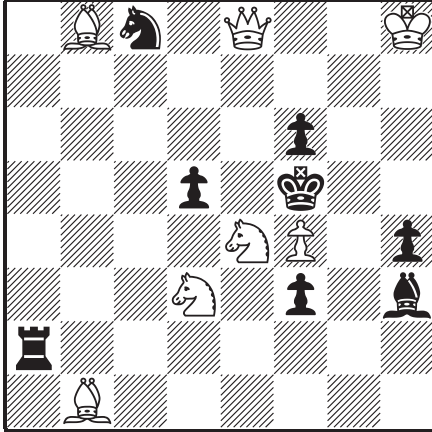
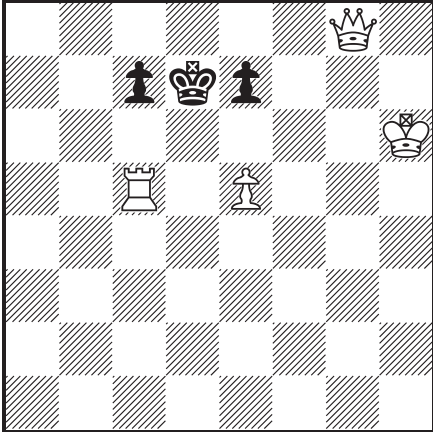
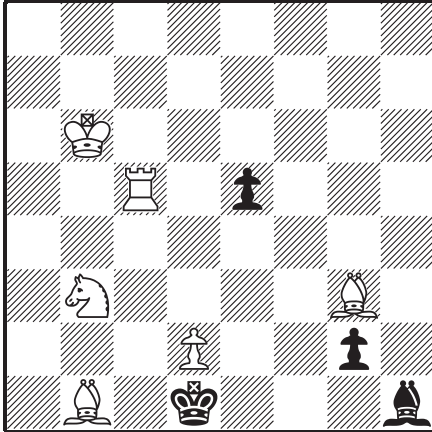
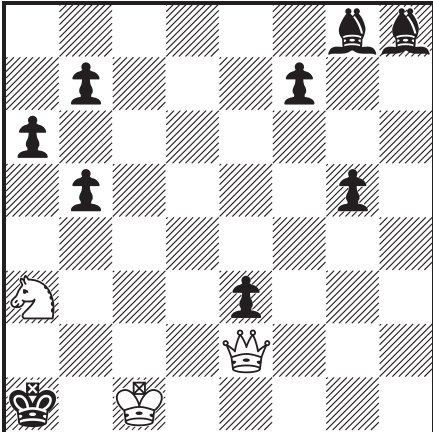
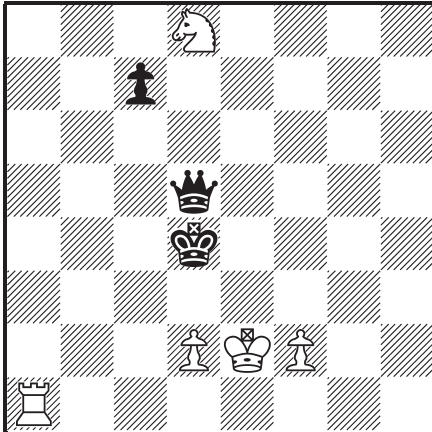
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 Category 3 — Problems — Time 2 hours

<p>— N° 1 —</p>  <p>#2 6+5</p>	<p>— N° 2 —</p>  <p>#2 7+8</p>
<p>— N° 3 —</p>  <p>#3 4+3</p>	<p>— N° 4 —</p>  <p>#3 6+4</p>
<p>— N° 5 —</p>  <p>#4 3+9</p>	<p>— N° 6 —</p>  <p>+ 5+3</p>

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Category 1 — Round 1 — Solutions

1. Marjan Kovacević, Original for ISC, 2016

1. ♖b7! 5,0

2. Godfrey Heathcote, 1st prize *Natal Mercury*, 1918

1. ♗b8!
 > 2. ♗e5 1,0
 1... ♖d1 2. ♗a7 1,0
 1... e3 2. ♖c8 1,0
 1... ♗c5 2. ♖a5+ 1,0
 1... ♖c3 2. ♗f6+ 0,5
 1... ♖d4 2. ♗c3+, 2. ♗a7 0,5

3. Gerard Smits, 2nd honourable mention *Probleemblad*, 1983

1. ♗e7!
 > 2. ♖c4+ fxe4 3. ♗d3+ 0,5
 1... ♖g4 2. ♖xf5+ ~ 3. ♗d3+ 0,5
 1... b6 2. ♗d7+ ♗xd7 3. ♖c5+ 1,0
 1... ♗f3 2. ♗xf3+ ♗xf3 3. ♖d4+ 1,0
 1... ♖g2 2. ♖xc6+ ♖xe6 3. ♗c6+, 2... ♗xe6 3. ♗f3+ 0,5 + 0,5
 1... b3+ 2. ♗dxb3 ~ 3. ♖c3+, 2... axb3+ 3. ♗xb3 0,5 + 0,5

4. Martin Minski, Original for *Suomen Tehtäväniekat*, 2016

1. ♗h6 1,0
 1... ♗xc5 2. ♗xg7 ♗d6 3. ♗b4 ♖c5 4. ♗d4 1,0
 4... a5+ 5. ♗c3 1,0
 5... ♗e6 6. a3 2,0
 6... ♗f5 7. g7+—
 * 1. ♗b2? c3! 2. ♗d7+ ♗c7 3. ♗xc3 ♗xd7 4. ♗xa5 e5=; 1. ♗d7+? ♗c7=; 1. ♗e6? d4! =
 * 1... ♖xc5 2. ♗xg7 c3 3. ♗d4 c2 4. ♗xc5+ ♗xc5 5. ♗b2+—
 * 2... d4 3. ♗h6+—
 * 3... c3 4. ♗xa5 e5 5. ♗f6 c2 6. ♗g5 ♗e6 7. ♗b4 e4 8. ♗c5
 * 4. ♗e5+? ♗xe5 5. g7 c3! 6. g8 ♖ ♖c4+ 7. ♗b3 c2=
 * 4... e5 5. ♗xc5+ ♗e6 6. ♗d6!+—
 * 5. ♗a3? ♗e6! 6. ♗xc5 ♗f6 7. ♗b6 ♗xg6 8. ♗xa5 ♗f5/♗f6/♗f7 9. ♗d8 ♗e6 10. a5 ♗d7 11. a6 ♗c8=
 * 6. ♗xc5? ♗f6=; 6. ♗c2? c3! 7. ♗xc5 ♗f6=

5. Temur Chkhetiani, *The Problemist*, 1997

a) 1. ♖h1 ♗c7 2. g1 ♗ ♗xd2 3. f1 ♗ ♗xc4 4. ♗a7 ♗xd6 5. ♖a8 ♗a6# 2,5
 b) 1. ♗b1 g4 2. gxf1 ♖ g5 3. ♖c1 g6 4. ♖c7 gxf7 5. ♖d7 f8 ♖# 2,5

6. Richard Dunn, *The Problemist*, 1998

1. ♗c7!
 > 2. ♖e8+ ♗xb7/♗xc7 3. ♗ba6+/3. ♗d5+ 0,5 + 0,5
 1... ♗e3 2. ♗c6+ ♗xc7 3. ♗f8+ (♖d7#) 1,0
 1... a5, a6 2. ♗ba6+ ♗a7 3. ♖d4+ (♖xd4#) 1,0
 1... ♗xb7 2. ♖b5+ ♗xc7 3. ♗d5+ (♖xd5#) 1,0
 1... ♗xc7 2. ♖c6+ ♗b8 3. ♗d6+ (♖xd6#) 1,0

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Category 1 — Round 2 — Solutions

7. Peter Gvozdjak, *Pravda*, 1981

1. ♔d6! 5,0

8. Claude Goumondy, *Freie Presse*, 1983

1. ♖b3!
 > 2. ♜f6 1,0
 1... ♗g3 2. ♗g5+ 1,0
 1... ♗f2 2. ♗d2+ 1,0
 1... ♜d4 2. ♜xd4+ 0,5
 1... ♗e7 2. ♔d3+ 0,5
 1... ♔xc5 2. ♜d4+ 0,5
 1... cxd6 2. ♜e5+ 0,5

9. Aleksandr Postnikov, 2nd commendation *Buletin Problemistic*, 1996–1997

1. ♔c4 ♗c2, ♗c1 2. ♔d5+ ♗b1 3. ♜c4 ♗xa2 4. ♜a4+ ♗b1 5. ♜a5 ♗c2, ♗c1
 6. ♜c5+ ♗b1 7. ♔c4 5,0

10. Dmitry Petrov, 1st honourable mention *Leninska Smena*, 1966

1. e7 1,0
 1... ♗xe7 2. ♗f5+ 1,0
 2... ♗f6 3. ♗xh6 ♗g7 4. ♗g4 1,0
 4... ♜d3+ 5. ♗c4 ♜g3 6. ♜g8+ 1,0
 6... ♗xg8 7. ♗h6+ ♗h8 8. ♔c5 1,0
 8... ♜g7 9. ♔d6 ♜g6 10. ♔e5+ ♜g7 11. ♗f5 +–

10. Christopher Jones, Original for ISC, 2016

I) 1. c4 e3 2. dxe3 ♗b6 3. ♗d4 ♜xc4# 2,5
 II) 1. ♗f4 ♜xg6 2. d3 exd3+ 3. ♗f5 ♗e7# 2,5

12. Irwin Stein, *The Problemist*, 2001

1. ♗e4 ♗f2 2. ♜f3+ ♗e1 3. ♔c3+ d2 4. ♜xd2 e5 5. ♗xb3 ♗xb3
 6. ♜xc2+ ♗d2+ 7. ♗d3 (e4#) 5,0

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Category 2 — Round 1 — Solutions

1. Arnaldo Ellerman, 3rd prize *American Chess Bulletin*, 1921

1. ♖d7! 5,0

2. Dieter Hanslik, 3rd commendation *Freie Presse*, 1976

1. ♖f5! 5,0

3. Abram Ravimovich Kofman, 2nd prize *Shakhist*, 1937

1. ♗e7 1,0

1...c1♖ 2. ♗d5+ ♘e6 3. ♗c7 1,0

3...f5 4. ♖f8 1,0

4...fxe4 5.c4 1,0

5...♖xc4 6. ♖f6+ 1,0

6...♗xd5 7. ♖d6#

* 1. ♗f4? exf4 2. ♖g1 f3

4. Alexander Gulaev, 1st prize *Problem*, 1977–1978

1. ♖b4! (–) 2,0

1...cxd6 2. ♖d5 (♖g1#) 1,0

1...c5 2. ♖b7 (♖g1#) 1,0

1...c6 2. ♗c5 (♖g1#) 1,0

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Category 2 — Round 2 — Solutions

5. Arnaldo Ellerman, 1st prize *Magasinet*, 1950/1

1. ♖c6! 5,0

6. Andreas Schönholzer, 1st prize *Schach-Echo*, 1969

1. ♖b7! 5,0

7. Leonid Makaronez, *Freie Presse*, 2009

1. ♖h5! 2,0

>2. ♖c8+ 1,0

1... ♗d7 2. ♖f7+ 1,0

1... ♗d5 2. ♖xf3+ 1,0

8. John Rice, 4th honourable mention *Probleemblad*, 1999

I) 1. ♖g1 ♗b4 2. ♖g6 ♗c3# 1,0

II) 1. ♖g8 bxc6 2. ♖g6 ♗b5# 1,0

III) 1. ♖g2 d4 2. ♖g6 ♗d3# 1,0

IV) 1. ♗f8 ♗d6 2. ♗g6 ♗c5# 1,0

V) 1. ♗h4 c3 2. ♗g6 ♗d4# 1,0

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Category 3 — Solutions

1. Charles Promislo, 3rd prize <i>American Chess Congress Meredith Tourney, 1921</i>	
1. ♖f5!	5,0
2. Herbert Ahues, 1st commendation <i>Main Post, 1962</i>	
1. ♘ec5!	5,0
3. Alexander Gulaev, special prize <i>Simov MT, 1994</i>	
1. ♖b5! (-)	1,0
1...c5 2. ♖b7+	2,0
1...e6 2. ♖f7+	2,0
4. Bruno Sommer, <i>Die Schwalbe, 1961</i>	
1. ♙f5!	
1...g1 ♖ 2. ♙g4+	1,0
1...g1 ♘ 2. ♙d3	2,0
1...♔e2 2. ♖xc5+	2,0
5. Manfred Zucker, <i>Schach, 1959</i>	
1. ♖g2!	1,0
(> 2. ♘c2+ ♔a2 3. ♖d5#)	
1...f5 2. ♖c2 ♙a2 3. ♖c3+	3,0
1...♙h7 2. ♘c2+ ♙xc2 3. ♖xc2+	1,0
6. Bernhard Horwitz, <i>The Chess Player's Chronicle, 1850</i>	
1. ♖a4+	1,0
1...♔e5 2. ♖a5	1,0
2...c5 3. ♖xc5	1,0
3...♖xc5 4.d4+	1,0
4...♖xd4 5. ♘c6+ ♔e4 6. ♘d4 ♔xd4 7. ♔f3	0,5
4...♔xd4 5. ♘e6+ ♔e4 6. ♘d4 ♔xd4 7. ♔f3	0,5

* 1...♔c5 2. ♖a5+
 * 2...♖xa5 3. ♘c6+