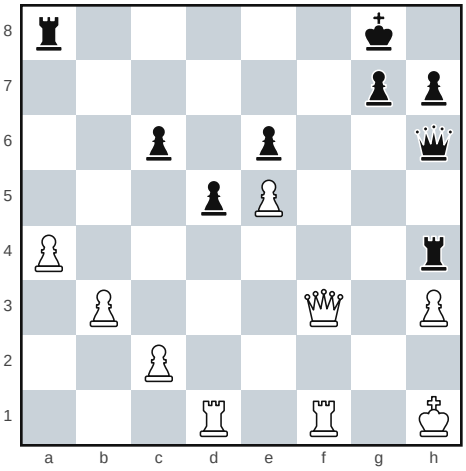
Back-rank mates

Club level. Find the best move.

Name _____

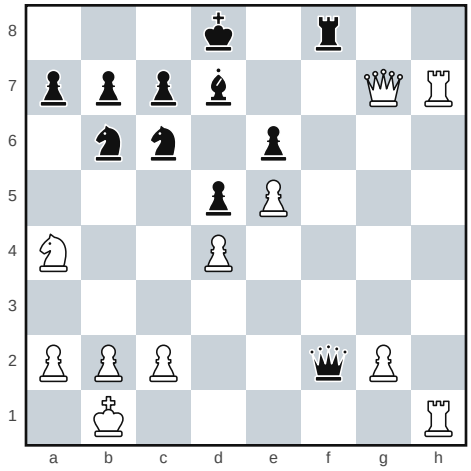
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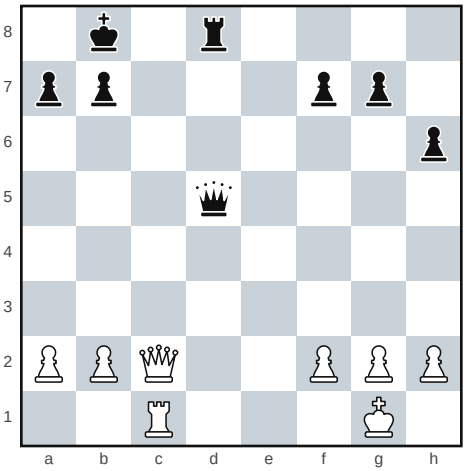
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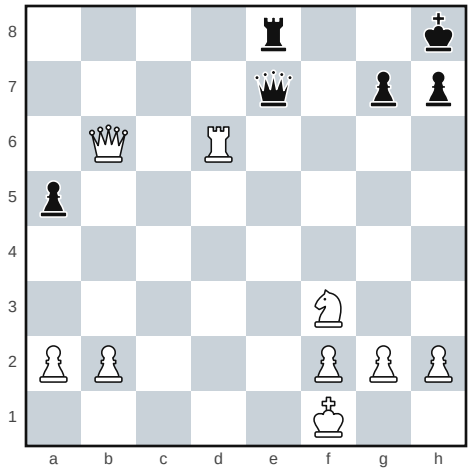
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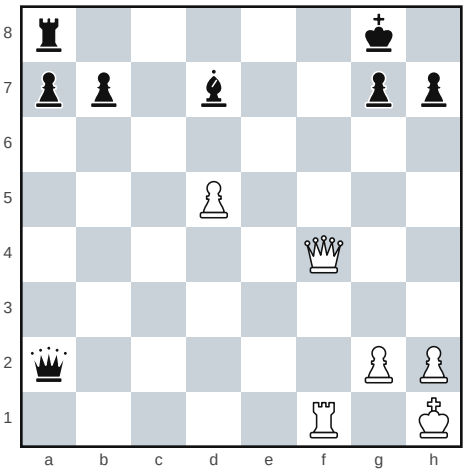
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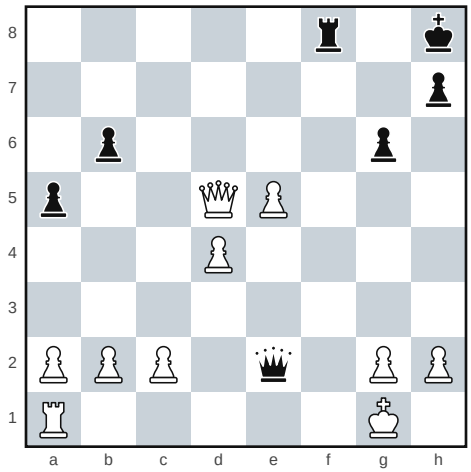
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5 White to move



Move _____

6 Black to move



Move _____

Answer key

Back-rank mates

1 **1. Qf7+ Kh8 2. Qf8+ Rxf8 3. Rxf8#**
White to move

2 **1... Qf1+ 2. Rxf1 Rxf1#**
Black to move

3 **1. Qc7+ Ka8 2. Qc8+ Rxc8 3. Rxc8#**
White to move

4 **1... Qe2+ 2. Kg1 Qe1+ 3. Nxe1 Rxe1#**
Black to move

5 **1. Qf7+ Kh8 2. Qf8+ Rxf8 3. Rxf8#**
White to move

6 **1... Qf2+ 2. Kh1 Qf1+ 3. Rxf1 Rxf1#**
Black to move