

Endgame Magic (second edition)

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A new edition of *Endgame Magic* (Dover, ISBN 978-0-486-81943-3) is now available. This document identifies the new studies included, outlines the other changes, and notes two corrections.

1. New studies and other changes

Winning material

- 2.5 (Fritz).
- 2.6 (Prokeš).
- 2.7 (Missiaen).

Mate

- 3.11 (Amiryan).

Stalemate

- 4.6 (Kasparyan).
- 4.7 (Roycroft).

Perpetual harrassment

- 7.9 (Fritz).

Losing the move

- 8.5 (Behting).
- 8.7 (Nunn).

Underpromotion

- 9.5 (Speelman).
- 9.7 (Joița).

Decoys and diversions

- 10.2 (Mandler) (also used as 1.3 in the Introduction).
- 10.8 (Maksimovskikh).

Shielding and obstruction

- 11.5 (Kubbel).
- 11.7 (Blundell).

Fortress and blockade

- 12.6 (Segenreich, version).

Echoes and repetitions

- 14.2 (Kubbel).
- 14.9 (Yakimchik).

Cut and thrust

- 15.4 (Costeff, version by Didukh).
- 15.5 (Melničenko).

Frolics and fantasies

- 16.9 (Michelet).
- 16.10 (Nunn).

The grand manner

- 17.7 (Ellison).
- 17.8 (Salai jr).

In addition, several faulty studies have been corrected (for details, see Appendix B), further information that has come to light regarding sources has been included, and the presentation of various items has been improved.

2. Corrections

- In 12.6 (Segenreich, version), **move the White king to f1, and the pawn on g3 to h3**. In the version printed, 4 Kf1 also wins: 4...Ka6 5 Bd3+, after which 5...Ka7 and 5...Kb7 put the Black king back in its cage, and 5...Ka5 leaves it just too far from the White knight (the square b4 is poisoned, just as b6 and c7 are). In the corrected version, the play in the main line is unaffected, but the move 4 Kf1 becomes 4 Kg1 with the sequel 4...Ka6 5 Bd3+ Ka5 6 Kh2 Ka4 7 Kxh3 (no useful purpose is served by delaying this capture) Kb3 8 Kg4 Kc3 9 Bb1 Kd4 10 Kg5 (10 Kf4 g5+) Ke5 and now comes 11 Kh6 Kd6 12 Nc8+ Kc7 13 Ne7 Kd6 with a perpetual attack on the knight, or 11 Ba2 Kd6 12 Nc8+ (12 Kf6 g5, 12 Nd5 Bg8) Kc7 13 Na7 Kb6 14 Nc8+ Kc7 15 Ne7 Kd6 and another perpetual attack on the knight, or 11 Bc2 Ke6 with 12 Nc6 Kd6 or 12 Nc8 Kd7 13 Nb6+ Kc6 14 Nc8 Kd7.

Eiko Bleicher's six-man result enquiry service confirms that the positions after 7 Kxh3 and 7 Bb1 Kb3 8 Kxh3 are drawn.

- In **Appendix B**, "*Revista Română de Şah*" should be "*Revista Română de Şah*" throughout..

3. Errors not corrected above

- None has so far been reported to us.