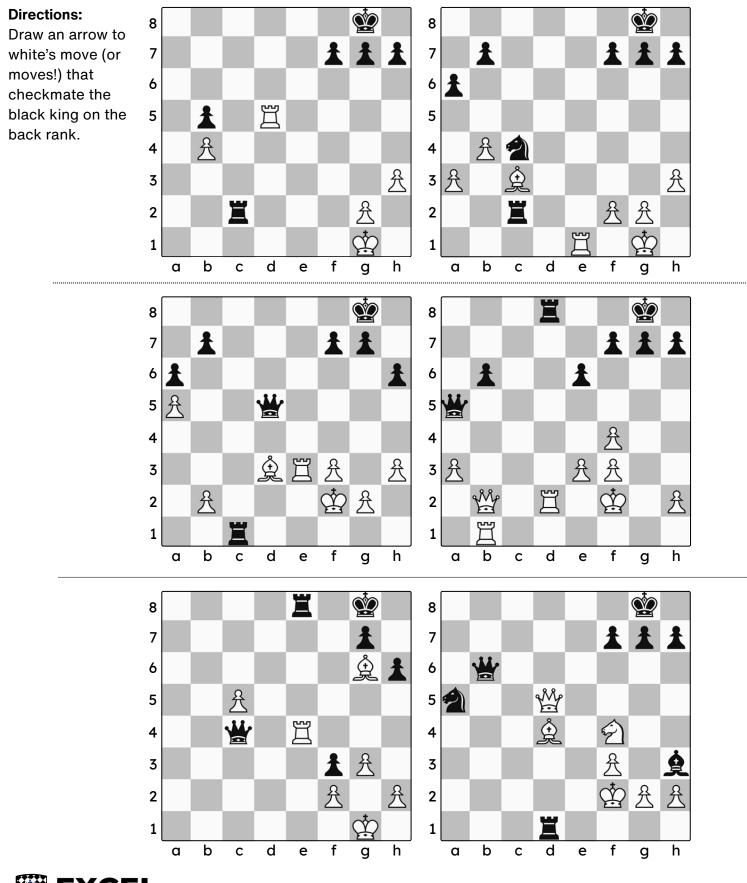


## Back Rank Checkmate

It's great to get our king castled early in the game for protection! As our pieces move forward, a castled king becomes a target for rooks and queens invading the back rank (row) of the chessboard to deliver checkmate.





Back rank mate 2.1  $\star\star\star$