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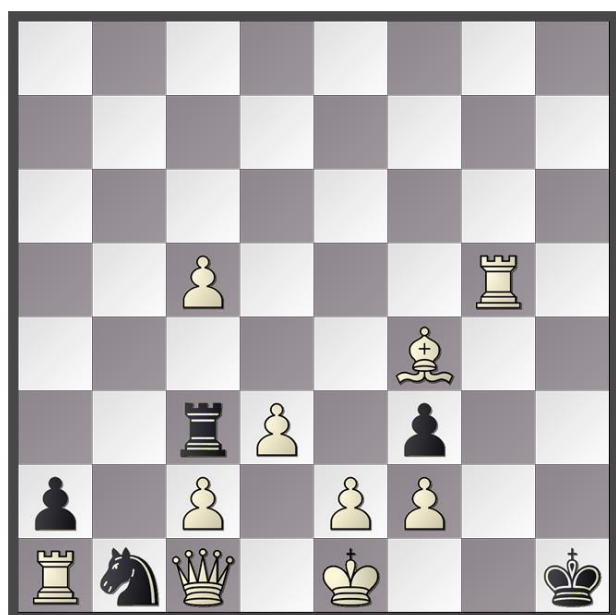
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### THE STARTER PROBLEM SOLUTION

**John Rice**

**Mate in 2**



Try:-

1. Qe3? [ > 2. Qxf3# ]  
1.... Sd2 ; 2. Kxd2#  
( 1.... fxe2 ; 2. Qf3, Qh3, Qe4# )  
1.... Rxd3!

also:-

1. Kf1? 1....Sd2+!

**Solution:-**

- 1. Qb2!** [ zugzwang ]  
1.... R~ ; 2. Qh8#  
1.... fxe2 ; 2. Qb7#  
1.... Sd2 ; 2. Kxd2#  
1.... Sa3 ; 2. O-O-O#

The Starter was published in national newspapers and appeared on their websites. 947 Solutions were submitted, 635 of them correct, and 312 incorrect. The numbers for each incorrect solution submitted were as follows: -

1 e x f3	115
1 Kf1	63
1 Qe3	39
1 R x b1	25
1 Qd2	20
No Solution	13
Other Pawn Moves	12
Other Rook Moves	10
Other King Moves	6
Bishop Moves	5
Other Queen Moves	4

After 1 e x f3 Black can play 1....R x d3 or 1....R x c2, and there is no mate in 2.

When the King and Rook appear on their original squares, it is always assumed that neither have moved, unless one of them must have moved to reach the position on the board.

Total Incorrect Solutions 312