

# Experimenting with a new move

White: Anatoly Karpov.  
 Black: Boris Spassky.  
 Trilburg, 1980.  
 Sicilian Defense

1	e4	c5	19	b4(m)	Rb5
2	Nf3	e6	20	Rg1	Kd7
3	d4	cd	21	c4	Rc5
4	Nd4	Nf6	22	bc	Bg5?(n)
5	Nc3	d6	23	f4	Qf6
6	g4(a)	h6	24	cd!(o)	Qa1
7	h4(b)	Nc6(c)	25	Kc2	Qa2
8	Rg1	d5!(d)	26	Kd3	Qd2
9	Bb5	Bd7	27	Rd2	Bf4
10	ed	Nd5	28	Ra2	cd
11	Nd5	ed	29	Ra6	h5
12	Be3(e)	Be7	30	Kd4	h4
13	Qd2(f)	Bh4(g)	31	Kd5	Rb8
14	O	Bf6(h)	32	f6	gf
15	Nf5(i)	Bf5(j)	33	Rf6	Bg3
16	gf	a6	34	Rf7	Kd8
17	Bc6(k)	bc	35	Rf8	Resigns
18	Bc5Rb8(1)				



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which appears more promising for White following 15 Bc6 bc 16 Kb1. In White's favor, too, is 13 . . . a6 14 Bc6 bc 15 O-O-O.

(g) There was a time when Spassky would hardly have glanced at such a pawn, but times change and the love of extra pawns has even affected players like him. Besides, Black's desire to rid himself of one of the pawns hanging over his position is dictated by a wish to castle kingside, 13. . . O-O, which cannot be played immediately on account of 14 Nf5, and if 14. . . Bf6, then 15 Nh6! gh 16 g5, with a winning attack.

(h) Of course, 14. . . Nd4 is bad because of 15 Bd7 Qd7 16 Bd4.

(i) This move may foster a certain amount of criticism, inasmuch as White permits the exchange of one of his most dangerous attacking pieces while at the same time the doubling of the "f"-pawns hinders the break, g4-g5. In return, however, White acquires certain advantages: the pawn at d5 comes under attack without delay and, even more vexing for Black, the "g"-file is opened, which rules out escape to the king side by castling. White would like to push up the "f"-pawn, 15 f4, in order to create the threat of advancing the "g"-pawn. But I could not see a clear plus for White after 15. . . Qa5 (Black can also fight for equality by 15. . . Nd4 16 Bd7 Qd7 17 Bd4 O-O-O 18 Ba7 Qa4 19 Qf2 d4 20 g5 Qa7.) 16 Qa5 (if 16 Qe2, then 16. . . O-O-O) Na5 17 Bd7 Kd7, for here I only examined the forced line, 18 g5 hg 19 fg Be5 20 Nf3, which is refuted by 20. . . Bb2 and the fork on c4. Right after the game, however, I saw that White obtains excellent prospects in the line above with 18 Nf5!

(j) Once again, 15. . . O-O loses to 16 Nh6 gh 17 g5!

(k) It is always a pity to part with such a bishop, but White has no time for its retreat, since the "d"-pawn would then push forward, while Black's king would calmly head for f8 and, given an opportunity, g8.

(l) Quite sensible. Black strives to work up a counter-attack before White succeeds in effecting his inevitable c2-c4. Spassky probably rejected 18. . . Qd7 because of the simple 19 Qd3, relegating Black's queen to passivity, while 19. . . Rb8 now allows 20 Bd4.

(m) Practically forces Black into the subsequent sacri-

tice of the exchange. White could have played the quieter 19 b3, answering 19. . . Rb5 by 20 Bd4.

(n) An error due to miscalculation. Black must play either 22. . . Qc7 or 22. . . Qb8. During the game, I regarded my position as superior at this point and intended to respond to 22. . . Qc7 (or 22. . . Qb8) with 23 f4, totally closing off the black bishop and compelling Black to move his "d"-pawn. But post-game analysis demonstrated that Black has the splendid reply, 23. . . Kc8, squelching the double take on d5 while simultaneously threatening 24. . . Rd8. So White would have to react to 22. . . Qb8 with 23 cd! Bg5 24 Re3, and Black would have to seek salvation in 24. . . Be3 25 fe Qe5 26 dc Kc6 27 Qd7 Kc5 28 Qa7 Kb5.

(o) The grand point! The bishop must not be touched: 24 fg? Qa1 25 Kc2 Qa2 26 Kc1 Qa1 27 Kc2 Qa4, and bad for White are both 28 Kc1 Rb8 and 28 Kd3 Qc4 29 Ke3 hg.

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