

# 22nd International Solving Contest 2026 Cat 2

25.01.2026 - Round 1. (120')

## 1. [#2] Arthur M. Sparke 2nd prize The Western Daily Mercury, 1915 (version)

1. ♖d1! [5]

1. ♖b3? ♙xf6!

1. ♖c4? d5!

## 2. [#2] György Bakcsi Schach, 1984

1. ♗h6! [5]

1. cb? ♗b3!

1. c6? ♗xa3!

YACPDB:168847

## 3. [#3] Karl Skogsenden Het Parool, 1978

1.d4! ~ 2. ♗f3+ [1] ♔f1 3. ♗xg2‡  
 1... ♖f1 2. ♗xg2+ [1] ♖e1 3. ♗f3‡  
 1... ♗xc2 2. ♗b2+ [1] ♖f2 3. ♗d3‡  
 1... ♗xe4 2. ♗xc3+ [1] ♖f2 3. ♗xe4‡  
 1... ♗xg4 2. ♗xe3+ [1] ♖f2 3. ♗xg4‡

1.d3? ♗xc2!

1.dxe3? ♗xg4!

1.dxc3? ♗xe4!

YACPDB:98221

## 4. [#6] Fritz Emil Giegold Deutsche Schachblätter, 1971

1. ♗f8 a4 2. ♗b4 a3 3. ♖c1 c2

4. ♗e1 c3 5. ♖g2 [5] fxg2 6. f4‡

YACPDB:66739

## 5. [+ ] Henri Rinck 3rd Prize Sydsvenska Dagbladet Snällposten, 1911-1912

1.f6 [1]  
 1...exf6 2. ♗c5+ [2]  
 2... ♖f5 3. ♖h5 [3]  
 3...b1=♖ 4. ♗c1 [4]  
 4... ♖xc1 5.e4+ ♖f4 6. ♗d3+ [5] 1-0

2... ♖xd4 3. ♗b3+ ♖~ 4. ♗d2 +-  
 2... ♖d5 3. ♗a4 b1=♖ 4. ♗c3+ +-  
 2... ♖xf4 3. ♗d3+ ♖~ 4. ♗xb2 +-  
 YACPDB:282066

## 6. [H#2] Alexander Pituk Umenie 64, 1997 (version for solving)

1. ♖e5 ♗d3+ 2. ♖d6 ♖d8‡ @

1.a5 ♖xa5 2. ♖e6 ♗e4‡ @

1. ♗d6 ♖h8 2. ♖xf2 ♖h5‡ @

@	1	2	3
Pts.	1.5	3.5	5

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## 7. [#2] Horacio Luis Musante Arbejder-Skak, 1950

1. ♖e2! [5]

1. ♖a4? ♗b5!

1. ♖b1? ♗e6!

1. ♖xd5? ♗e5!

1. ♖e4? ♗xb3!

YACPDB:247937

## 8. [#3] Percy Klark Bowater Los Angeles Times, 1933

1. ♖h4! zz

1... ♖c6 2. ♖e4+ [1.25] d5 3. e×d6 ep. †

1...c5 2. ♖b5 [1.25] ~ 3. ♖c4†

1...c6 2. ♗d6 [1.25] ~/c5 3. ♖c4†/♖e4†

1...d6 2. e×d6 [1.25] ~ 3. ♖e4†

YACPDB:481914

## 9. [#3] Wieland Bruch Neue Zürcher Zeitung, 1992

1. ♖h7! ~ 2. ♗f4+ [1] ♖e5 3. d4†

1... ♖d5 2. ♖d7+ [1] ♖e4/♖xc5 3. ♖d3†/d4†

1... ♖f5 2. ♖h5+ [1] ♖e4/♖e6 3. d3†/♗f8†

1...f5 2. ♖g8+ [1] ♖d7/♖f6 3. ♗e5†/♗e7†

1... ♗d5 2. ♗f8+ [1] ♖e5 3. d4†

YACPDB:512494

## 10. [#4] Robert Hollstein Vasárnap Újság, 1903

1. ♖a5! zz

1... ♖e4 2. ♗×d6+

2... ♖d4 3. ♗d1 [1.5] ♖d3 4. ♖d5†

2... ♖f4 3. ♗h5 [1.5] g×h5 4. ♖f5†

1...d5 2. ♖a4+ ♖c5 3. d4+ [2] ♖b6/♖c6 4. ♖a6†

YACPDB:320260

## 11. [=] Ladislav Prokeš Tijdschrift van den Koninklijken Nederlandschen Schaakbond, 1947

1. ♖b8 [1]

1...a2 2. ♖b4+ [2]

2... ♖×a5 3. ♖b8 [3]

3...b2 4. ♖a8+ ♖b6 5. ♖×a2 [4]

5...b1=♖ 6. ♖b2+ [5] ♖×b2 stalemate

1...b2? 2.a6 a2 3.a7 ~ 4. a8=♖†

YACPDB:294731

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## 12. [S#2] Zivko Janevski Novi Temi, 1982 (version)

1. ♔ c5! ~	2. ♚ d1+	[1]	♙ ×d1‡
1... ♖ ×d3	2. ♜ d2+	[1]	♙ ×d2‡
1... ♖ ×c4	2. ♚ ×e4+	[1]	♙ ×e4‡
1... e×d3	2. ♖ ×g3+	[1]	♜ ×g3‡
1... ♔ ×c4	2. ♚ e2+	[1]	♔ ×e2‡

1. ♔ a3/ ♔ f8? ♖ ×d3!