



# Sacrifice in chess

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# Chapter 1

## Sacrifice in chess

The [term](#) sacrifice in chess is used to define a [move](#) in which the player loses a piece for gaining an advantage. The advantage could be either positional or for a [checkmate](#).

### 1.1 Types of sacrifice in chess

Different types of sacrifices are

1. Deflection sacrifice
2. Destruction sacrifice
3. [Magnet sacrifice](#)
4. Clearance sacrifice
5. Suicide sacrifice

### 1.2 Magnet sacrifice

A piece is lost with a purpose when the move attracts one of the opponent's piece to a tactically poor square than its current position. This is called magnet sacrifice.

#### 1.2.1 Example of magnet sacrifice

In the [example of magnet sacrifice](#) shown below, the white [queen](#) attacks the black [rook](#) at f8 and gives a [check](#) to the black [king](#). Since the king cannot move to [g7](#), the only option for the king is to capture the queen. Here queen is lost for an exchange for a rook. However, in the next [move](#),

the white rook from d1 can move to d8 and [checkmates](#). Since the objective of the chess game is the checkmate, the sacrifice of the queen is justified. This is an example of magnet sacrifice since the sacrifice of the queen pulls the king to a tactically poor square.

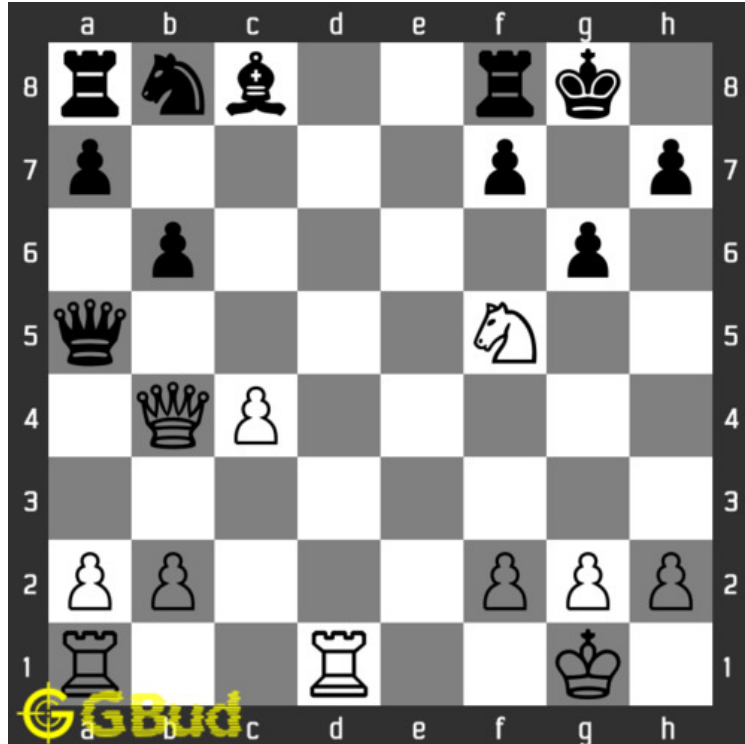


Figure 1.1: Example of magnet sacrifice in chess

## 1.3 Play chess for free

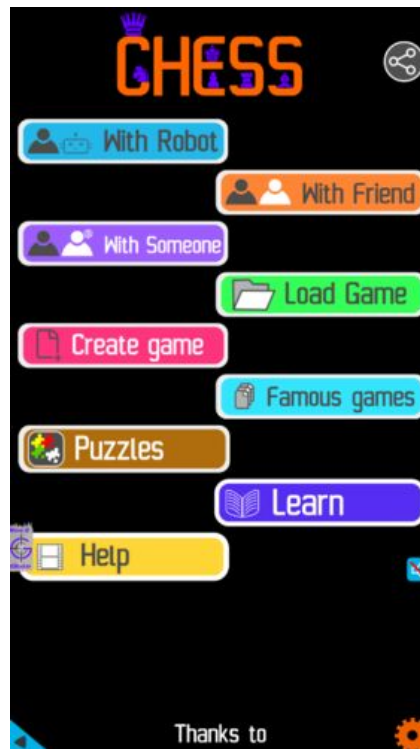


Figure 1.2: [Play chess online for free](#). Solve puzzles and play with friends

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Figure 1.3: Learn about sacrifice in chess

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