

White**Black**

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| 1. D4 | D5 |
| 2. NF3 | NC6 |
| 3. BG5 | BG4 |
| 4. ND2 | QD7 |
| 5. E3 | O-O-O |
| 6. BB5 | QE8 |

Black did a great job in moving towards opening game objectives. The same can be said about White. Only one mistake with the recording of the 4th move: it says ND2...which white Knight? Also, Black's sixth move was curious. Why do it? I would consider it a wasted move. Otherwise, these are good opening moves for both sides.

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| 7. QB1 | NF6 |
| 8. B4 | B6 |
| 9. NE5 | NH5 |
| 10. BA6 check | KB8 |
| 11. BB5 | A6 |
| 12. NxC6 check | KA8 |
| 13. BA4 | B5 |

White started a great attack! White unfortunately failed to maintain the attack. White failed to keep the pressure on the Black King! Also, White did BA4 (15th move) when he should have done NxRd8. Do you agree? Disagree? Why?

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| 14. QB3 | RC8 |
| 15. BxB5 | XB5 |
| 16. QA3 check | KB7 |
| 17. QC3 | RA8 |
| 18. A4 | XA4 |
| 19. NA5 check | KB8 |

White's 15th move was sweet...opened a clear opening to attack Black's King. Black should have avoided that 18th move. Then White did a solid move...NA5 check.

20. BF4	NXF4
21. XF4	QD7
22. 0-0	G5
23. B5	XF4
24. RF-B1	BF3
25. NxF3	RG8
26. B6	RG4
27. NE5	QF5
28. QxC7 checkmate	

Obviously, White won. Let us review the last 8 moves. It appears as if Black made a mistake or two...see BF3. Why? It was "free money" for White. Then White did a devastating Knight Fork (NE5). Black's QF5 response lost her the game.

Charlie played white. Tatiana played Black.

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