

Middle Game Puzzles Answer Key

Level 1

1. Rh8+, Qh5, Rxh5#
2. Rxh8#
3. Be6+, Kb8, Bxf5
4. Rh8+, Kf7, Rxa8
5. Qxg2#
6. Qxe1+, Rxe1, Rxe1#
7. Ng7+, Kd7, Nxe6
8. Rxa6+, bxa6, Qxa6#
9. Qxe1+, Qxe1, Rxe1#
10. Qa5+, Nd2, Qxg5
11. Bh2+, Kxh2, Rxd2
12. Qxg2#
13. Qxb2#
14. Rxe1+, Rxe1, Rxe1#
15. Rxd8+, Rxd8, Rxd8+
16. Qh7#
17. Bf4, Qxf4, Qxf4+
18. Qe1+, Rxe1, Rxe1#
19. Qxb2#
20. Bxg5+, Qxg5, Qxg5+
21. Qxd2, Rxc3, Qxc3
22. Nc7+, Ka7, Nxd5
23. Qe1+, Rxe1, Rxe1#
24. Qxe1+, Rxe1, Rxe1#
25. Rxf7, Rxf7, Qxf7+
26. Nf6+, Kg7, Nxd7
27. Bxe3+, Qxe3, Qxe3+
28. Qe4+, Qe2, Qxh1+
29. Nf3+, Kg2, Nxd2
30. Bxf6, Qxf6, Qxf6, gxf6, Rxh6
31. Qxg3#
32. Qf1+, Rxf1, Rxf1#
33. Nf4+, Kg3, Nxd3
34. Nc7+, Kd7, Nxb5
35. Rxe8+, Rf8, Rxf8#
36. Rxf1#

Level 2

1. Qxd5+, Qf7, Qxa8
2. Rxg7+, Kxg7, Qxh4
3. Bf4+, Kh3, Bxe5
4. Qxf7#
5. Bxg4+, Nxg4, Qxg4+, Kb8, Qxh5
6. Bg5+, hxg5, Qxb1
7. Bxh7+, Kxh7, Qxf3
8. Bh7+, Kxh7, Qxd4
9. Bxg2+, Kxg2, Qf2+, Kh1, Qh2#
10. Rg8+, Kf6, Qd8+
11. Nf3+, Kh1, Nxd2
12. Ra8, Qb7, Rxa5
13. Qc4+, Qf7, Qxe2
14. Qh1+, Ke2, Qxb1
15. Qe8+, Rxe8, Rxe8#
16. Rd1+, Qxd1, Qxd1+
17. cxb3, Qxc6, Bxc6
18. Qxh7#
19. Ne7+, Kh8, Nxg6+
20. Qa6+, Kb8, Qb7#
21. Qxh7#
22. Rxa4, Nxc4, Rxa6
23. Qxg7#
24. f6, Qxf6, Rxf6
25. Nxe2+, Nxe2, Qh2#
26. Re8+, Rxe8, Rxe8#
27. Rxd8+, Rxd8, Rxd8+
28. Qb8#
29. c5+, Kh8, cxb6
30. Rh8+, Nxh8, Rxh8#
31. Rh8, Qxh8+, Qxh8
32. Qh2+, Kf1, Qxf2#
33. Nxd4, Nxd4, Qxd4
34. Rxe4, Qxe4, Qxd2
35. Nh6+, Kg7, Nxg4
36. Rxb6, Nxb6, Qxb6

Level 3

1. Rxa8, Nxa2, Rxd8+
2. Qb6+, Kh1, Qxb2
3. Qd8+, Qf8, Qxa5
4. Rh4, Qxh4, Bxh4
5. Nxd4, Bxb5, Nxb5
6. Qb8+, Kd7, Qxc7+, Ke6, Qxc6+
7. Qd6+, Ke8, Nc7#
8. Qh4+, Nf2, cxd5
9. Qxg5, Nxg5, Rd1+, Ke2, Rxh1
10. Rxh6+, Kg7, Rh7#
11. Qxf3, Qxf3, Bxf3
12. Qxc6, Nxc6, Bxf4
13. Be5, Qxe5, dxe5
14. Rxf8+, Rxf8, Qxh7#
15. Bb5+, Kd8, Nc6+, Kc7, Nxe7
16. Bh7+, Qxh7, Qxh7#
17. Nxh3+, gxh3, Qxh3
18. Bb4+, Qd2, Bxd2+
19. Qxd4#
20. Rxf3, Qxg3, Rxg3
21. Qa5+, c3, Qxb5
22. Bxf3, Bxf3, Qxg5
23. Qxf4, Qxf4, Bxf4
24. Qxe6+, Kh8, Qxe7
25. Nxe6+, Qxe6, Qxe6
26. Rf8+, Ke2, Qxg4+
27. Nf6+, gxf6, Rxd7, Bxd7, Qxd7
28. Qxa6, Rxh2+, Kg1, Rg2+, Kf1
29. Bxe6, Rc6, Bxf7+
30. Qa2+, Kc1, Qa1#
31. Bb7, Qd4, Bxf3
32. Qg7#
33. Bxf7+, Rxf7, Qxb4
34. Bd4+, Be3, Bxc5
35. Qg4+, Kh2, Qxg2#
36. Rg4, Rxf3, Rxg3

Level 4

1. Rb1, Qxb1, Bxb1
2. Nh3+, Kf1, Qh1#
3. fxe6, Bxc5, Nxc5
4. Ba7+, Kxa7, Qxh3
5. Rfb8, Qxb8+, Rxb8
6. Bxe3+, Kh1, Bxc1
7. Qxd3, Bxd3, Nxg7
8. Qg7#
9. Rf1, Qg7, Rf7
10. f5, Qxe3+, Bxe3
11. Qe3+, Kh2, Qxd4
12. e4, Nxe4, Nxe4
13. e5, dxe5, dxe5
14. Qxf7, Rxf7, Bxg4
15. Rc3, Qxc3, bxc3
16. Nxf6+, Bxf6, Qxh6, Bxg5, Bxg5
17. Qxa1+, Qb1, Qxb1+, Rf1, Qxf1#
18. Qxf2+, Kh1, Qxe3, Nxe3, Nf2+, Kg2, Nxg4
19. Bg4, Qf4, Qxf4
20. h5, Qe2, hxg4
21. Qf3#
22. Qxg6#
23. Nf3#
24. Rxd5, Nxd5, Qxd5, exd5, Rxe7
25. Rxh6+, Kg7, Rh7+, Kf8, Qxc5+
26. e5, Bxd3, Qxd3
27. gxh5, Rg2+, Qxg2
28. Bxc5, Qxd3, Qxd3
29. Nxb6+, axb6, Qxd1
30. Nxe4, Rxc7, Nxd2
31. Qxe3, Qxe3, Ng4+, Kg1, Nxe3
32. Bf6, Rxf8, Bxg5
33. Rf8, Bf7, Rxf7
34. Rxb3, axb3, Qxa8
35. Qxf2+, Kh1, Bxd1
36. Qxd5, Nxd5, Rxd5

Level 5

1. Be3, Rhd8, Bxb6
2. Kxe6, Bxf6+, Kxf6
3. Qd4+, Kh2, Qxc4
4. Ne6+, Bxe6, Qxf4
5. Bd3, Qxd3, Qxd3
6. Rxb6+, cxb6, Qxb6+, Kc8, Qb8#
7. Nxc6, fxg6, Qb3
8. Rxd5, Qxd5, Qxd5+, Rxd5, Rxc1
9. Qxb3, Qe4+, Qf3, Qxf3+, Kxf3
10. Qc3+, Kh7, Qxc4
11. f5, Qg5+, Kh1
12. Qb4+, Kd7, Qxf8
13. Qxg6, Rxg6, Rxf7
14. Ne7+, Kb8, Rxd8#
15. Qxh7+, Kxh7, Rh3#
16. Qg4#
17. Re1, Kf8, Rxe3
18. Rxe6, Qc5, Qxc5
19. Rf7, Qe5, Rxg7+, Qxg7, Rf7, Qxf7, Qxf7+
20. b5, Nxb5, Nxb5
21. Bh6+, Kf2, Bxd2
22. Rc7, Qxb5, Qxb5, Nxb5, Rxe7
23. g4, Qxh5, gxh5
24. Rf3, f5, Rg3+, Kh8, Qxh6
25. fxe3+, Kg8, Qxg6
26. Bh3, f3, Bxg3
27. Rf4, Qxf4, exf4
28. Rd1+, Ke2, Rxc1
29. Rh8+, Kxh8, Qh7#
30. axb4, Qxb4+, Bc3
31. Bg4, Qe3, Qxe3, Nxe3, Bxe2
32. Rxc7, Nc6, Rxc6, Bxc6, Qxc6
33. Qxf2+, Rxf2, Rxe1+, Rf1, Rxf1#
34. Bxe5, Rxc8, Bxf4+
35. Qd4+, Kh1, Bxf6
36. Qxe6, Nxe6, Rfe8, Nd4, c5

Level 6

1. Rxf7, Qxf7, Nxf7+
2. g5, Bxh7+, Kxh7
3. Rxe7, Rxe7, Nd5
4. Rxg7+, Rxg7, Qd8+, Qe8, Qxe8#
5. Nxe4, Bxe4, Qxd7
6. Qxf6
7. Bb6, Bxe4+, Ka2, Qxd6, Rxd6
8. Bxc4, Qxc4, Qd6
9. Bxf7+, Kxf7, Qh7+
10. Qxe6+, Qf7, Bxf6, Qxe6, Rxe6
11. Ne4, Qf7, Nf6+, Qxf6, Bxf6
12. Nxc4, Bxc4, Rxc4
13. Nxf5, exf5, Qxf5+, Kg2, Qc2+
14. Nf5, Qxa3, Nxg7
15. Be4, Qd7, c6
16. Qc1+, Kg2, Bxd5+, Qxd5, Rxb7
17. Qa7+, Kxa7, Bc7+, Ra5, Rxa5#
18. Rxf5, Nc4, Rxe8+
19. Qxh6+, Kg2, fxe5
20. Bxc5, Be4, Qxe4
21. Bxe7, Qxe7, Qh6
22. Rxc4, b3, Rcx4, Qxd4, Qxd4, Rxd4, Rxd4
23. g6, Qg5, Qxd3
24. Rd5, Bb6, Rxf5
25. Nxf4+, gxf4, Qxf4
26. Rxf5, Qxf5, Bg4
27. Bc5+, Ke6, Rxd8, Rxd8, Qxd8
28. Bxh6, Bh5, Bxg7, Kxg7, Qg5+
29. Rxg7+, Rxg7, Rxg7+, Kxg7, Qxe7+
30. Nc7, Rxd2, Nxe6+, Kh8, Rxd2
31. exf3+, exf3, Re2+, Qxe2, Nxe2
32. Qg7+, Rxg7, hxg7+, Kg8, Rh8#
33. g2+, Rxg2, Qh1+, Kf2, Bh4+
34. Nxd5, Qf3, Nef4
35. Qh8+, Kxh8, Rf8#
36. Bxc6, Ne2, Qxc4

Level 7

1. Rxc2, Rxb6+, Ka8, Qxd5+, R2c6+, Ne4, axb6, Rxc6, Rxc6
2. Qa5+, Qc3, Rxc3
3. Nxd6, Bxe2, Nxe8, Bxd3, Qd1
4. h3, Qxg2, Rh2, Qxh2, Nxh2
5. g6+, Nxg6, Rg1
6. Qxf1, Qxd4, Qf7
7. Bxb5+, axb5, Qxa8, Qxa8, Nc7+, Kd7, Nxa8
8. e4, Qg3, Rxg3, hxg3, Qxg3
9. Qxg7, Qg6, Qxh8+, Ke7, Nd5+, exd5, Qc3
10. Rh8+, Kxh8, Qxf7
11. Qxb7, Be7, Nxc6, Qd7, Qxa8+
12. gxf3, gxf3, Rxf3
13. gxf7+, Kh8, gxh3
14. Kxe7, Bb4+, Kd8, Qa5+, Qc7
15. Nxa3+, Bxa3, Bxc3
16. Qd3+, Kc1, Rd8, Qxd2, Qxd2+
17. Be8+, Kd8, Bxc6
18. Nxc6, Rxa8, Rd1+
19. Nxd7+, Rxd7, Rab1, Qc5, Bxc6
20. Nd4, Ng5, Rxg5, Bxg5, Nxf3
21. Be1, Qxf1, Bxf1
22. f5, Nxf5, Nxf5, exf5, Bxf5
23. Rg8, Kxg8, Qxg6+
24. Qd2, Ne2+, Rxe2, Qxd2, Rxd2
25. Nxe4, dxe4, f5, Qxe5, f6, Qxh2, Qxh2
26. Qxd5, Bxd5, Nb4
27. Bd3, Qf6, dxe5
28. Kxg7, Qg3+, Ng4
29. Rc1, Qb5, Rc5
30. Rxf1, Bxf1, Qf8
31. Qxg2+, Bxg2, Rxg2+, Kh1, Rxf2+
32. Qxh5+, Bh6, Nf3, f6, Ng5+
33. exf3+, Rxf3, Qxd4
34. Kb7, Qh5, Qd2, Na5+, bxa5
35. Qe5, O-O, Rh3
36. Qxc6+, Kd8, f5

Level 8

1. Qh4, Qe6, Nf6+, Qxf6, Qxf6
2. Qh3, Rhe8, Rxe8, Qxh3, gxh3
3. Bh6, Qf2, Qxf2+, Kxf2, Bxd2
4. Qxc3+, Kb1, Rb8
5. Nxb7, Rxb7, Rd8+, Kf7, Ne4
6. Rxg3, Ne7+, Kf7, Qxg3, Qxg3+, Kxg3, Kxe7
7. Qg6+, Kf8, Qxh6+, Kf7, Qxg5
8. Rf1, Qe7, exd6, Qf6, Rxf6
9. f5+, Kxe5, Qxg3+, Kxf5, Rh6
10. Nc3, Rfd8, Qb1, Qa1, Qxa1
11. h6, Rad8+, Ke3, Qe1+, Ne2, Rd3+, Kxe4, Qxh1+, Kxd3, Qh3+, Kd2
12. Qd7+, Kf8, Rxf3, Bh2+, Kf2
13. Ra8, a4, bxa3, Kb1, a2+, Ka1, Rfc8
14. Qxd4, Nd2+, Ka1, Qa5, Qe5+, Ka8, Bc4, Nxc4, Rxc4
15. Bh6+, Rxh6, Rd8+, Bxd8, Rxd8+, Ke7, Re8#
16. Qd3, Rb1, Bxb1, Qd5, Qxf1
17. Rf1, h5, Qe6+, Bf7, Qa6
18. Bxf4, gxf4, Qh5+, Kd8, Qxe5
19. Nf2+, Kg1, Qg4+, Kf1, Nh3
20. Qe2, Bxd5, Rxd5
21. Qg3, Qc5, Rxf6, Re3, Rf3
22. g3, Rg5, a7, Rh5, a8=Q+, Kg7, g4
23. Qxf2+, Kxf2, Re2+, Kg1, Rxg2+, Kf1, Ng3+, Ke1, Re2#
24. Qc1+, Ke2, Rb2+
25. Qg5+, Kd3, Rd8+, Nd5, Nxd5, cxd5, Rxd5+
26. Rxh3, gxh3, Qg3+, Kh1, Qxh3+
27. Bxc3, Qa4, b3, Qxb3, Qh3+, Ke7, Bb4+, Nxb4, Qxb3
28. Rg8, Rf2, gxf3+
29. Nc3, Nf2+, Rxf2, Qxb1+, Nxb1
30. Ra1, Rxd3+, Kxd3, Qe6, Qf5
31. Kxh7, Rg7+, Qxg7, hxg7, a1=Q+, Kd2, Qxe1+
32. Nxh7+, g5, Qxg5+, Ke8, Nf6+
33. Bg5, O-O, Bxc1
34. Be3, Bxc3, Rxd7
35. Rxd6, fxe5, Red1
36. h5, Qe6, Rh2, Bxg5, Qxg5