

NIMZO-INDIAN DEFENCE

G. KASPAROV (USSR)

I. CSOM (HUNGARY)

- 1. d4
- 2. c4
- 3. Nc3

- Nf6
- e6

Kasparov's favourite has usually been 3.Nf3 b7 4.a3.

- 3. ... Bb4
- 4. e3 c5
- 5. Nge2

Probably this was Kasparov's prepared line against Csom, who is known to be a devotee of the Hubner variation, 5.Bd3 Nc6 6.Nf3 Bxc3 ch 7.bxc3.

- 5. ... cxd4
- 6. exd4 0-0?

White has avoided the crippling of his queenside pawns by playing Ne2, but Black can nevertheless obtain a reasonable game by 6...d5 7.c5 Ne4. After Csom's move White gains a significant spatial advantage in the centre.

- 7. a3 Be7
- 8. d5! exd5
- 9. cxd5 Re8
- 10. g3 Bc5
- 11. Bg2 d6
- 12. h3

To prevent 12...Bg4.

- 12. ... B15
- 13. 0-0 Nbd7?

Black's further troubles can be traced back to this routine developing move. More active is 13...Ne4 when White continues 14.Na4, swapping knight for bishop with some advantage.

- 14. g4! Be4
- 15. Ng3! Bxg2
- 16. Kxg2 Nf8
- 17. g5 N6d7
- 18. h4



Kasparov's vigorous attacking plan of advancing his kingside pawns, initiated on move 14, is aided by the awkwardly posted Black knights. Now the simple and strong idea is to advance the h-pawn to h6 to probe weaknesses in the Black king's defences.

- 18. ... Ne5
- 19. h5 f6
- 20. Nce4 fxg5
- 21. Bxg5 Qb6
- 22. h6 Nf7
- 23. hxg7 Nd7

Or 23...Kxg7 24.Bf6 ch Kg8 25.Qg4 ch Ng6 26.Rh1 threatening Rxh7! next move.

- 24. Nf6 ch Nx16
- 25. Bx16 Qb5
- 26. Rh1 Bb6
- 27. Qf3 Ne5
- 28. Nf5! Nf7
- 29. Rxh7! Resigns

After 29...Kxh7 White has several ways to mate, one being 30.Rh1 ch Kg8 (or 30...Kg6 31.g8=Q ch Rxg8 32.Ne7 mate) 31.Rh8 ch etc.

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This week's game features the 17-year-old Soviet prodigy Garri Kasparov on his way to becoming the world's youngest Grandmaster, which he did in his home town of Baku earlier this year.

Kasparov's achievement in winning Baku on 11½ points out of 15, ahead of Belyavsky (USSR) 11, Gufeld, Mikhalchishin and Grigorian (all USSR) 8½ etc, now confirms him as a definite world title contender in the immediate future.