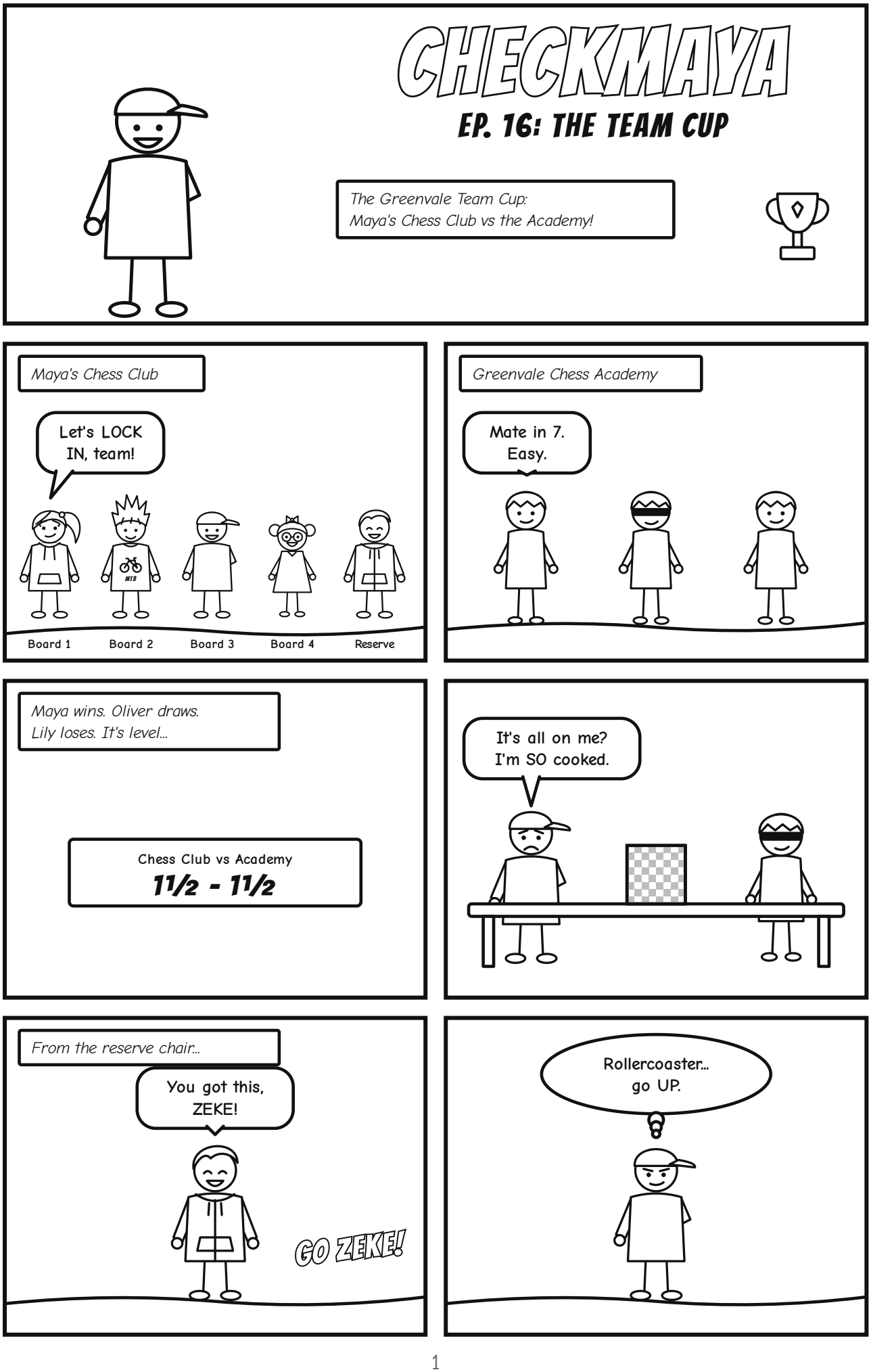
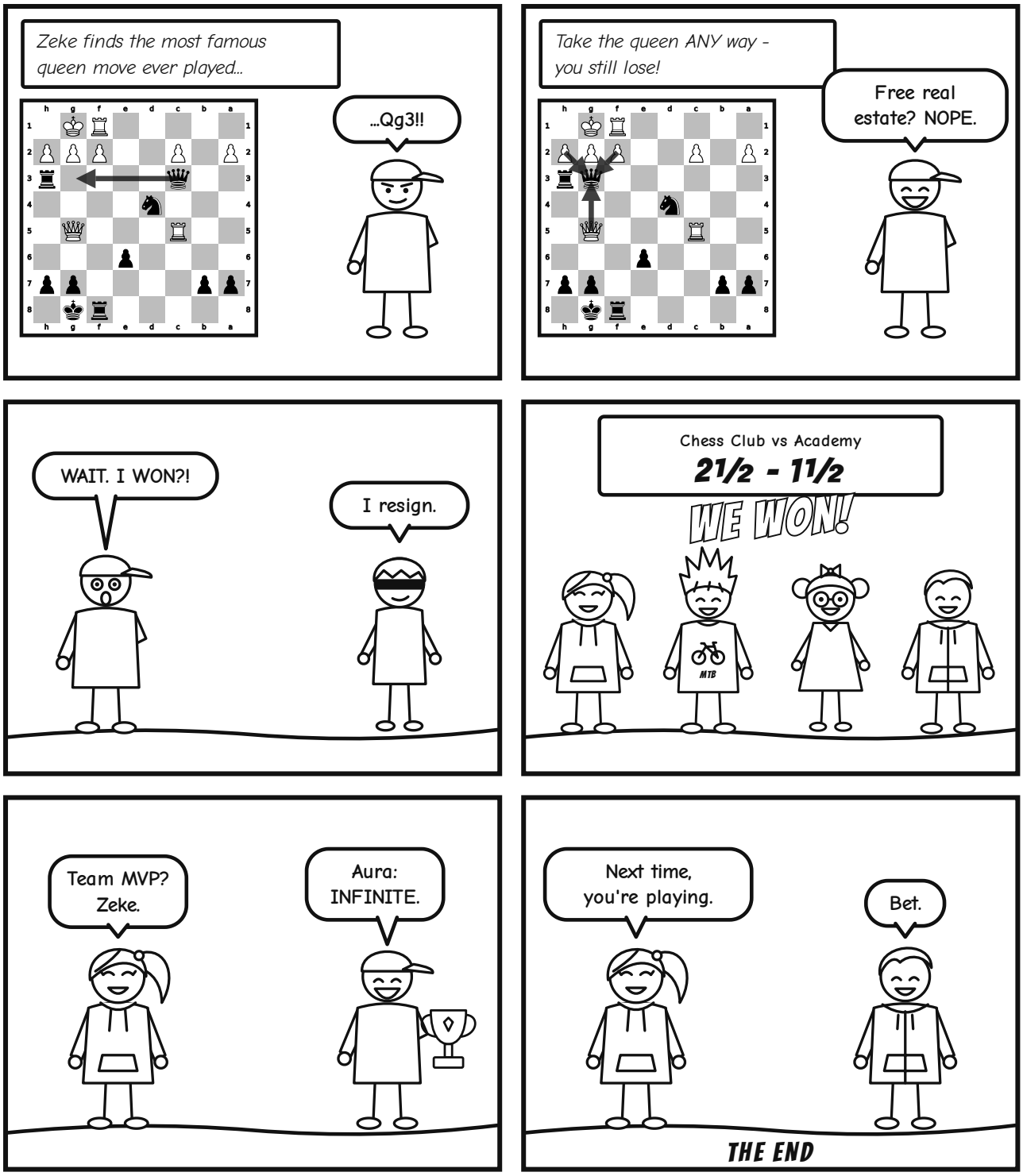

CHECKMAYA
EP. 16: THE TEAM CUP
The Greenvale Team Cup:
Maya's Chess Club vs the Academy!
Maya's Chess Club
Let's LOCK IN, team!
Board 1
Board 2
Board 3
Board 4
Reserve
Greenvale Chess Academy
Mate in 7. Easy.
Maya wins. Oliver draws.
Lily loses. It's level...
Chess Club vs Academy
1½ - 1½
It's all on me? I'm SO cooked.
From the reserve chair...
You got this, ZEKE!
GO ZEKE!
Rollercoaster... go UP.



REAL CHESS CORNER

Levitsky vs Marshall, Breslau 1912: 1.d4 e6 2.e4 d5 3.Nc3 c5 4.Nf3 Nc6 5.exd5 exd5 6.Be2 Nf6 7.O-O Be7 8.Bg5 O-O 9.dxc5 Be6 10.Nd4 Bxc5 11.Nxe6 fxe6 12.Bg4 Qd6 13.Bh3 Rae8 14.Qd2 Bb4 15.Bxf6 Rxf6 16.Rad1 Qc5 17.Qe2 Bxc3 18.bxc3 Qxc3 19.Rxd5 Nd4 20.Qh5 Ref8 21.Re5 Rh6 22.Qg5 Rxh3 23.Rc5 Qg3!! and White resigned.

Why it works: The queen can be taken three ways and all of them lose: 24.hxg3 Ne2#, 24.fxg3 Ne2+ 25.Kh1 Rxf1#, and 24.Qxg3 Ne2+ 25.Kh1 Nxg3+ 26.fxg3 Rxf1# (or 26.Kg1 Nxf1, a rook up). Legend says the amazed spectators showered the board with gold coins!

Lesson: A team is more than its best player. Zeke's chaos won the cup - and Axel's cheering helped.

Win together, lose together, have fun together.