

# CHECKMAYA

## EP. 5: BACK IN THE GAME

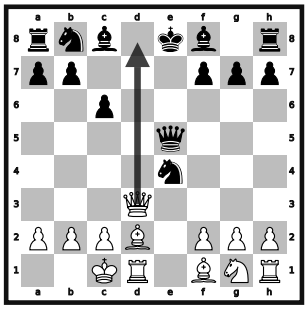
*Maya is winning again. And every day after school: the park bench.*

*Greenvale Rapid. Round 5.*

Bet.

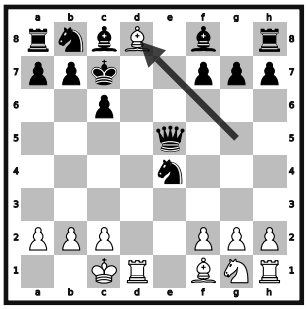
Ready to lose?

*She spots a famous trick from 1910...*



Queen sac? Say less.

*9.Qd8+!! Kxd8 10.Bg5+ Kc7 11.Bd8#*



CHECK MATE!

Chat... she sacked her QUEEN. +1000 AURA

**THE GREENVALE TIMES**

**CHECKMAYA IS BACK!**

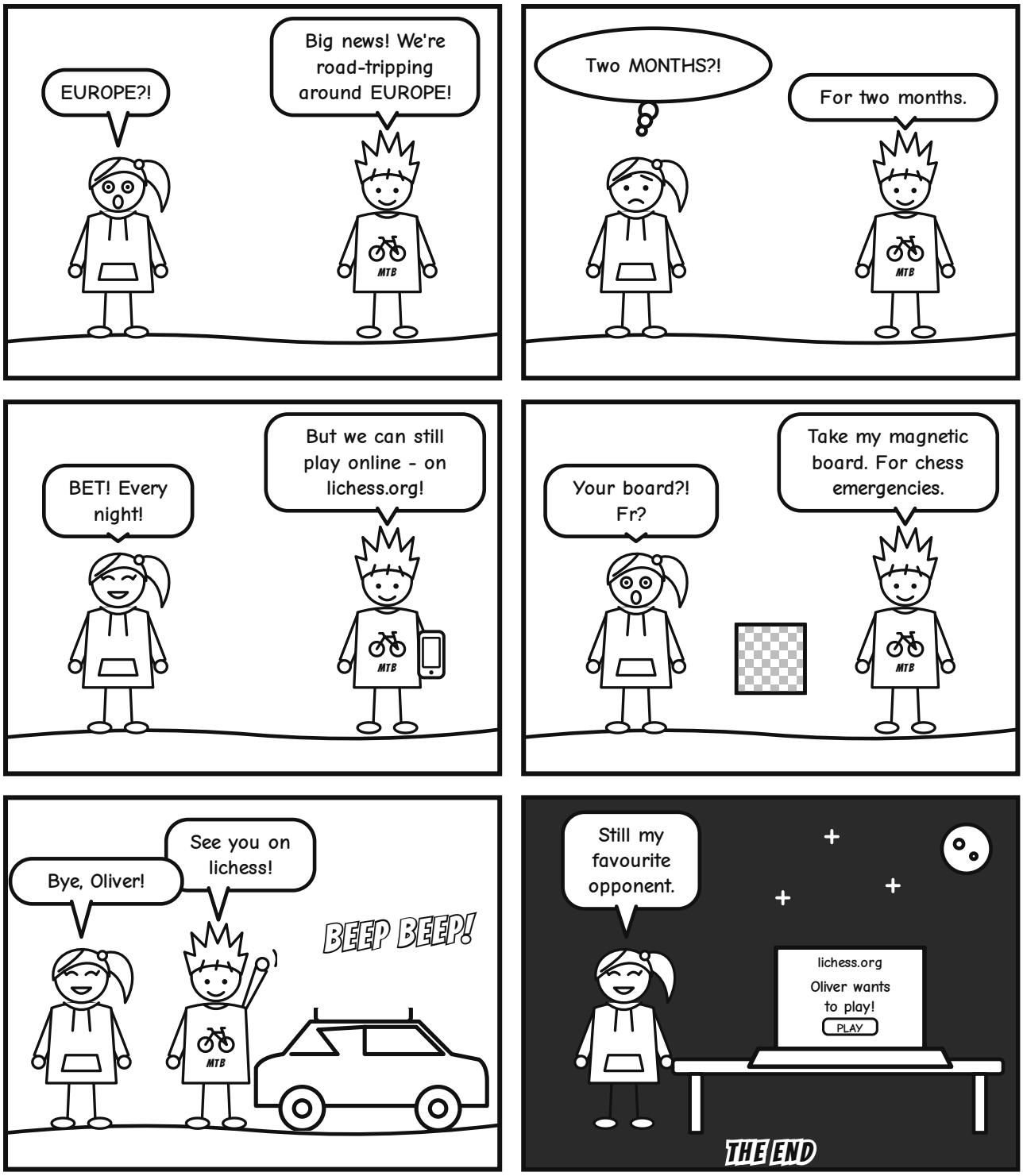
*Five wins in a row*

*Every day after school...*

Your move, champ.

Lowkey goated. Rematch!

Fork! Your king AND your queen.




## REAL CHESS CORNER

**Réti vs Tartakower, Vienna 1910:** 1.e4 c6 2.d4 d5 3.Nc3 dxe4 4.Nxe4 Nf6 5.Qd3 e5 6.dxe5 Qa5+ 7.Bd2 Qxe5 8.O-O-O Nxe4?? 9.Qd8+!! Kxd8 10.Bg5+ Kc7 11.Bd8#. Maya borrowed the finish of one of the most famous short games ever played.

**Why it works:** Black grabbed a knight with 8...Nxe4, but the d-file was wide open. The queen sacrifice drags the king to d8. Then 10.Bg5+ is a double check - from the bishop AND the rook on d1 - so the king must move, and 11.Bd8# ends it.

**Lesson:** Before you grab a free piece, check what your opponent's queen, rooks and bishops can do on open lines.

*Winning is fun. Having a friend to play with every day is even better.*