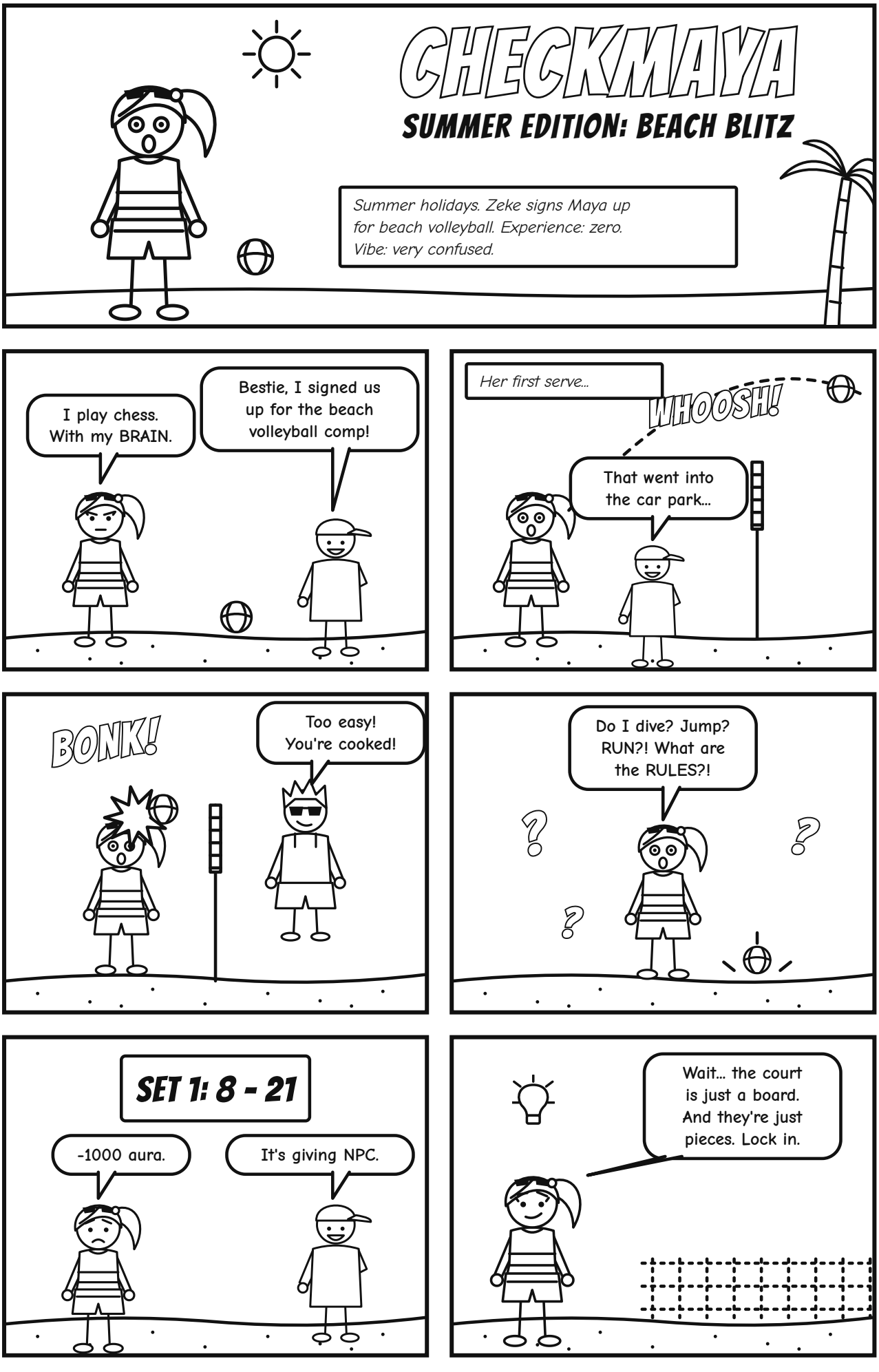
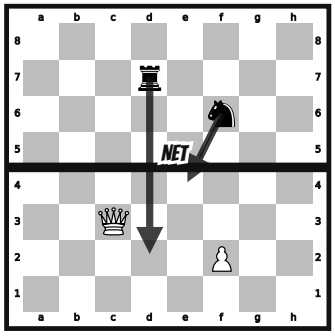

CHECKMAYA
SUMMER EDITION: BEACH BLITZ
Summer holidays. Zeke signs Maya up for beach volleyball. Experience: zero. Vibe: very confused.
I play chess. With my BRAIN.
Bestie, I signed us up for the beach volleyball comp!
Her first serve...
WHOOSH!
That went into the car park...
BONK!
Too easy! You're cooked!
Do I dive? Jump? RUN?! What are the RULES?!
SET 1: 8 - 21
-1000 aura.
It's giving NPC.
Wait... the court is just a board. And they're just pieces. Lock in.

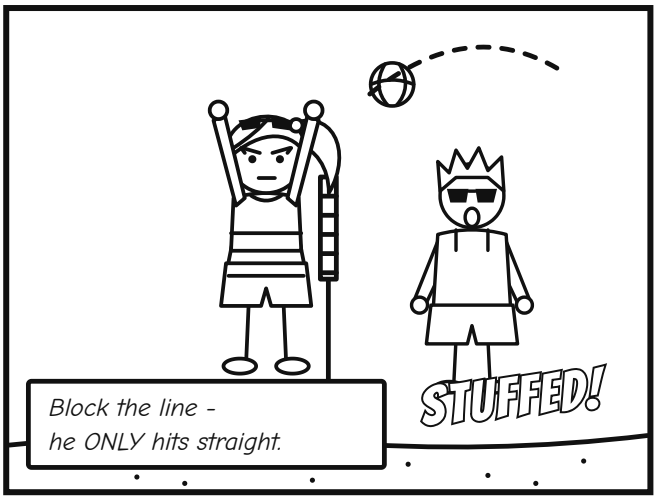
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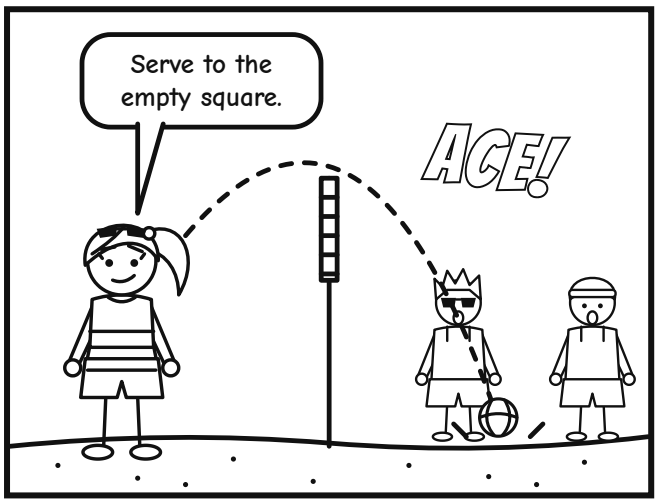


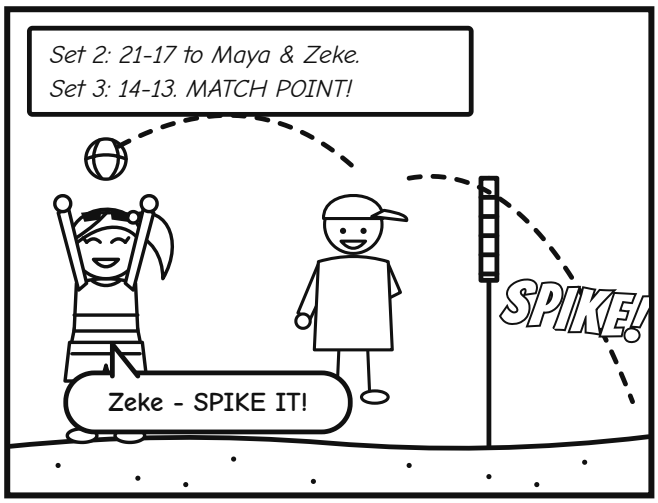
BRODY = ROOK
Only hits straight down the line.

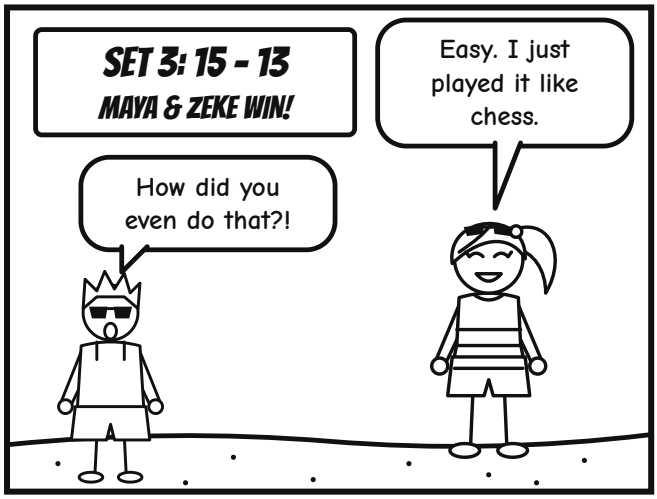
KAI = KNIGHT
Jumps, then always goes left.

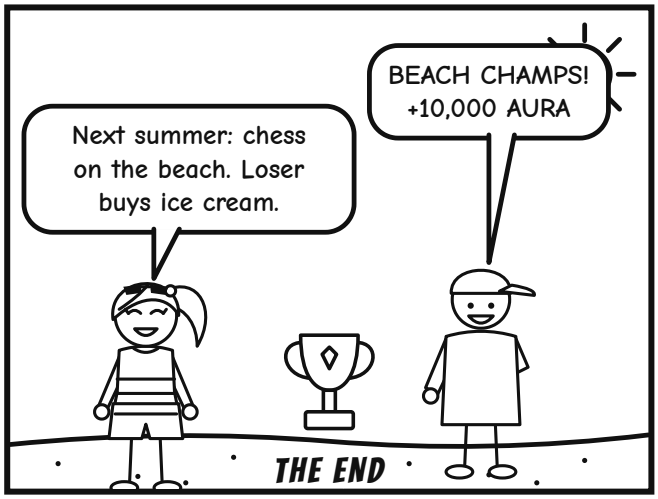
ME = QUEEN
ZEKE = pawn (sorry)











MAYA'S BEACH TIPS: CHESS BRAIN, VOLLEYBALL GAINS

1. Scout for patterns. Every player has favourite shots, just like favourite openings. Watch the first few rallies and work them out.

2. Control the space. Stand where their best shot lands - that's like covering the key squares on a chess board.

3. Think one move ahead. Where will the ball go after the next touch? Move there before it happens.

4. A lost set is just a lost game. Learn from it, change the plan, come back stronger.

Real beach volleyball: two players a side, sets to 21 (the third set to 15), and you have to win by 2.