

The Center Counter Defense Help Guide

Diagram 2:

Black needs to recapture the center Pawn. The King cannot move that far.

Diagram 3:

Developing is moving a piece (King, Queen, Rook, Bishop, or Knight. Not a Pawn) off of its original square. Tempo in chess is the amount of time used. So when the Queen captured our Pawn Black gained Tempo because it's the only piece in play, but now that White is attacking the Queen White will gain an extra move back. By gaining an extra move you have the Tempo.

Diagram 4:

White has a real strong position. Even though White and Black both have developed the same number of pieces, White has the option to bring pieces out faster because both Bishop diagonals are open.