| MV,C,5 | MV2,C, N1, C, 39 |  | N2,C,39 |
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|  |  | Keres (Game 11) | Alexander |
| D2D4 | d4 | The Queen Pawn Opening is for those who | enjoy complications, |
| G8F6 | Nf6 | The most popular way to answer the | Queen Pawn Opening. |
| C2C4 | c4 | Mainline. |  |
| E7E6 | e6 | A waiting move that prepares for d5 | and activates the Bishop. It is quite |
| B1C3 | Nc3 | Mainline. Prepares for 4.e4. |  |
| F8B4 | Bb4 | The Nimzo-Indian. It is very popular | with those who like sharp, attacking |
| G1F3 | Nf3 | A rare variation that is a favorite of | current World Champion Kasparov. |
| B7B6 | b6 | Mainline. The idea is to activate the | problem Bishop via a fianchetto. |
| G2G3 | g3 | Likewise, White will also fianchetto. |  |
| C8B7 | Bb7 |  |  |
| F1G2 | Bg2 |  |  |
| D8C8 | Qc8 | Pointless. Black has a variety of | better moves here (e.g. O-O, d5, c5, |
| E1G1C | O-O | Keres finishes the job at hand first. | Now the Knight is un-pinned. |
| C7C5 | c5 | Too late for this now. |  |
| C3B5 | Nb5 | The threat is 9.Nd6+!! |  |
| C5D4 | cxd4 | Defending against 9.Nd6+ with the | Bishop (at b4). |
| C1F4 | bb4 | Treacherous! There are four threats: | Nc7+ (wins the Rook), Bd6 (which is |
| B8A6 | Na6 | Defending against 10.Nc7+. |  |
| F4D6 | Bd6 | One of the threats. Now if 10...Bxd6 | then 11.Nxd6+ forks the Queen! |
| C8C4 | Qxc4 | Getting away from the heat while | threatening the Knight. |
| D1A4 | Qa4 | Bringing up more firepower. |  |
| B7C6 | Bc6 | Abandoning the Knight while aiming for | the Queen. |
| F3D4 | Nfxd4 | More firepower. |  |
| C6G2 | Bxg2 | Is ...Bxb5 better? |  |
| A4A6 | Qxa6 | Now 14.Nc7+ wins the Queen. |  |
| G2F1 | Bxf1 | Plunging on. |  |
| A1F1 | Rxf1 | Keres spurns the Queen with 14.Nc7+ but | it might have lead to an unfavorable |
| C4D4 | Qxd4 | Alexander gives him the doomed Queen | and takes an additional piece with it. |
| B5D4 | Nxd4 |  |  |
| B4D6 | Bxd6 | The additional piece. |  |
| D4B5 | Nb5 | Back to the old threat. |  |
| E8E7 | Ke7 | Protecting the Bishop and linking the | Rooks. |
| F1D1 | Rd1 |  |  |
| D6C5 | Bc5 |  |  |
| A2A3 | a3 |  |  |
| F6E4 | Ne 4 | Threatening the pawn at e2. |  |
| D1D7+ | Rxd7 | The beginning of the end. |  |
| E7F6 | Kf6 |  |  |
| A6B7 | Qb7 | Black resigns. |  |

N3,C,39
N4,C,39
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Bxc4+ or even the unclear Nc6), all of which are reasonable and thematic. 6...Qc8 suggests confusion.
poisoned!), Nxd4 and Qxd4. With all this, Black is in serious trouble.
endgame. Anyway, he soon gets a mate.

