



## Chess Academy October Update

Happy October! This month in Chess Academy, we are continuing the Cranky Princess Series.

The Cranky Princess keeps stealing King Chomper & Kind Shaky's chess pieces. They keep coming up with plans to get their chess sets back, but their plans are not working. Eventually, they figure out that by saying "please" and "thank you," the Cranky Princess turns into a Party Princess!

Questions? Please don't hesitate to email me!  
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### Skills Learned & Practiced:

- Mental Agility
- Mental Vigilance
- Collaboration
- Visualization
- Acting & Role Playing
- Following Directions
- Observing & Learning
- Making a Plan (& also adapting when plans don't work!)
- Leadership
- Forgiveness

### Chess Exercises

After each chapter, we play a few minigames & do some chess exercises. This month's exercises mainly focus on identifying a plan in action. Ms. Leah sets up the board like it's in the middle of the game and we try to figure out what the opponent is up to. Then, we try to figure out our own plan. Ms. Leah also works to reinforce the lesson that sometimes good plans do not work.