

A collection of chess pieces on a wooden board. The pieces include a white king, a white pawn, a white knight, a white bishop, a white rook, a dark brown pawn, and a dark brown rook. One white piece is lying on its side on the left. The word "STRATEGY" is overlaid in the center in a bold, blue, sans-serif font.

STRATEGY

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“**Tactics** is knowing what to do when there is something to do. **Strategy** is knowing what to do when there is nothing to do.”

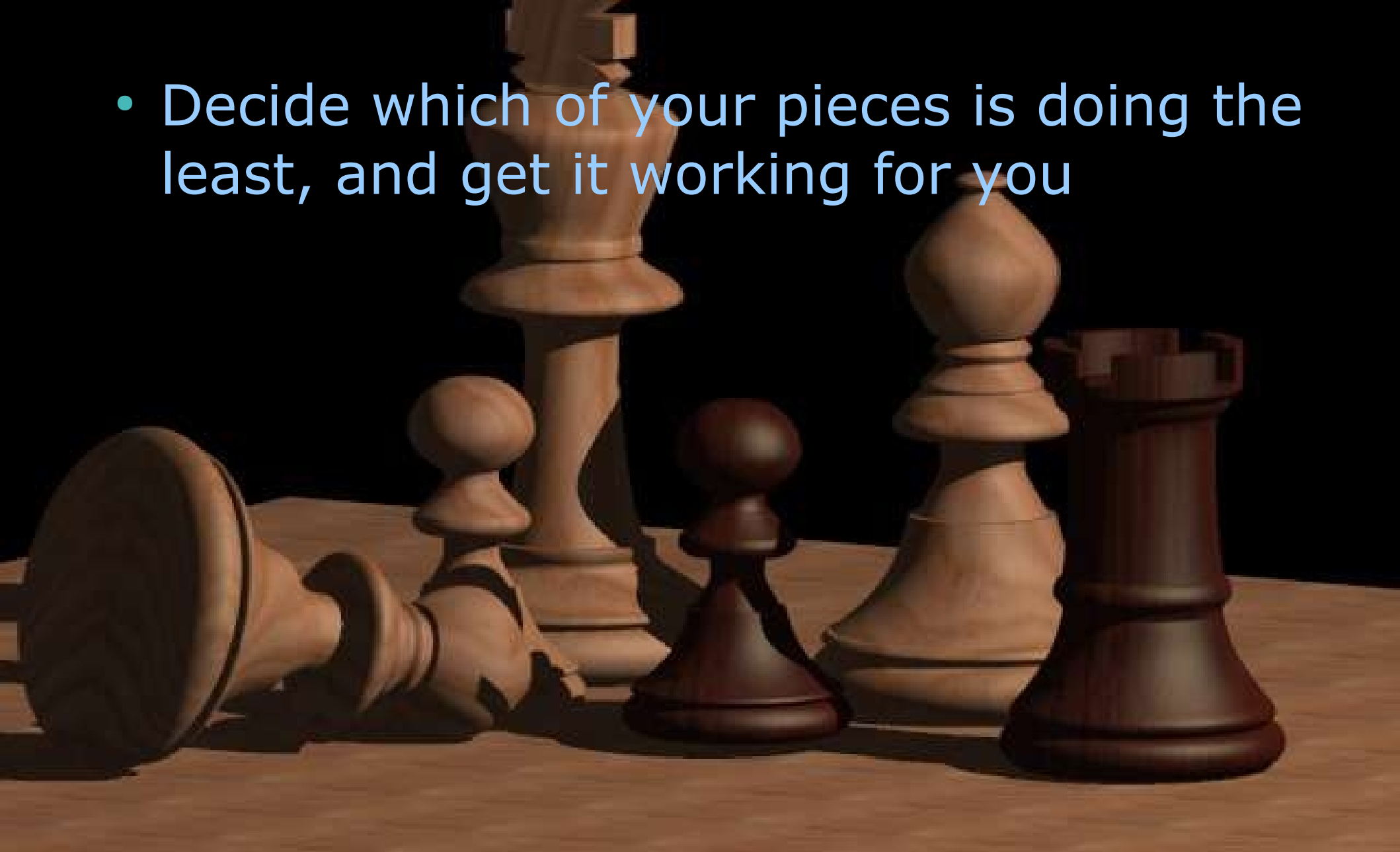
“I didn't know what to do”



- IDKWID / IDKWIDE
- Anderssen's Law
- Listen to your pieces
- EXERCISE
 - Positions with no tactical blow
 - How do you decide what to do?

Andersson's Law

- Decide which of your pieces is doing the least, and get it working for you



Planning Clues

A collection of chess pieces on a wooden board. In the center, a light-colored king and queen stand upright. To their right, a light-colored pawn and a dark-colored rook stand upright. In the foreground, a light-colored pawn and a dark-colored pawn are lying on their sides. The background is dark, and the lighting is dramatic, highlighting the pieces.

- Tactics
- King safety
- Weak pawns and weak squares
- Piece activity
- Forcing moves: pawn breaks
- Line control (file, rank, diagonal)
- Central control