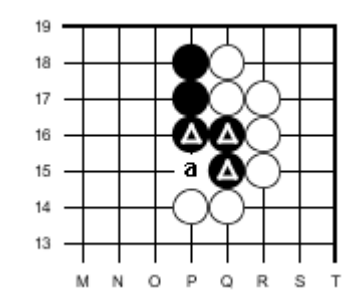
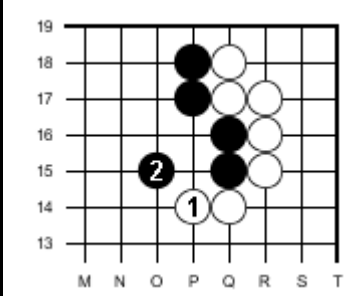
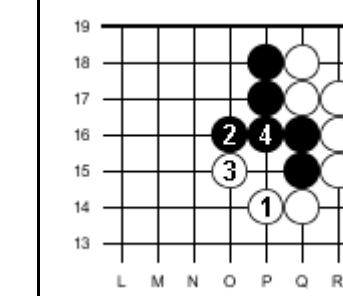


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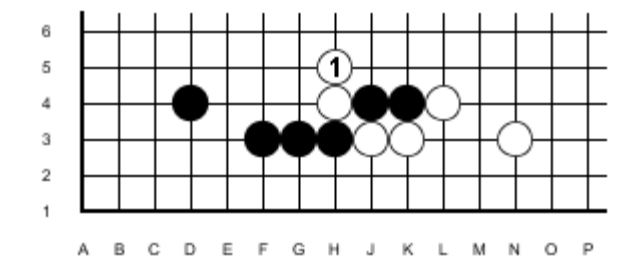
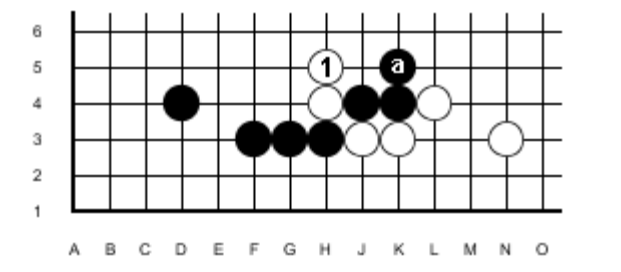
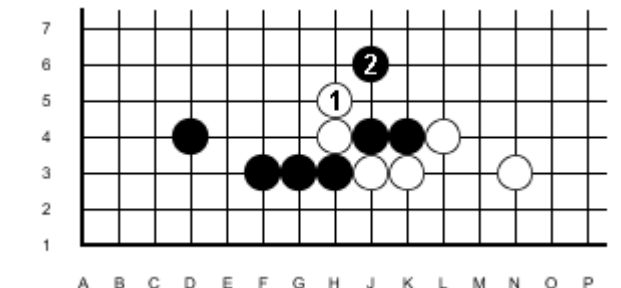
Avoid the Empty Triangle Shape

An empty triangle refers to the shapes shown below. The triangles stones constitute the empty triangle and the three stones exert influence on a point of little effect. This is a clumsy shape and the player must learn to avoid it if progress is desired..

Example 1:

		
<p>A. look below to see the clumsy empty triangle can be avoided.</p>	<p>B. In response to white 1 black 2 makes correct shape. Compare with A</p>	<p>C. For those who think that white 2 is good enough see the powerful attack with white 3. Black must connect making an empty triangle to avoid capture.</p>

Example 2:

	
<p>The ladder is in black's favour so white plays 1 threatening to capture 2 black stones. How do you answer?</p>	<p>The black move at a is bad. There is only one move.</p>
	<p>The beginner who jumps out at 2 getting ahead of the opponent and making a strong counter attack will not need a handicap. If you worry about the push and cut please work it out.</p>