

Secrets Of Chess Tactics

This is a book for those who know the rules of chess and are keen to start winning games. The quickest way to improve your chess is to learn tactics. But not just knowing the themes - you need to get used to using them in real positions. Master tactician John Nunn has thoughtfully crafted a course that gives you the basic nuggets of knowledge and immediately invites you to start finding tactical ideas for yourself. Chess Tactics Workbook for Kids is the first in a new series of books that help players gain chess skills by tackling hundreds of carefully chosen exercises. The themes are similar to those in Gambit's best-selling 'Chess for Kids' series, but the focus is on getting vital hands-on experience. Many positions build on ones given earlier, showing how advanced ideas are normally made up of simpler ones that we can all grasp. Each chapter introduces a basic theme and features dozens of exercises, with solutions that highlight the key points. In each chapter there are tips on what to look out for to help spot tactical ideas. As the chapters progress, we increasingly see how tactical ideas are combined together, with ideas from previous sections repeatedly appearing as part of a deadly one-two punch. The book ends with a series of six test papers where you are given no clues about the themes involved. Dr John Nunn is one of the best-respected figures in world chess. He was among the world's leading grandmasters for nearly twenty years and won four gold medals in chess Olympiads. In 2004, 2007 and 2010, Nunn was crowned World Chess Solving Champion, ahead of many former champions.

Good books on the indeterminate stage of chess between openings and endings are rare. Ambitious players wanting a practical guide to the middle game will find that Ludek Pachman's great trilogy, which is completed with this volume, stands in a class of its own. In each of these books the need for understanding is emphasized: there are too many variations for any memory to store. The player must understand the basic principles involved and the typical positions or maneuvers that can arise. Ludek Pachman's examples will augment his experience and should facilitate finer judgments as to the types of position to aim for, how to plan for them and in the allocation of priorities. But games also need to be viewed as an entity, and for this reason the author has concentrated on teaching by means of whole games. Ludek Pachman, the West German and former Czechoslovak Grandmaster, has taken part in international chess since 1945. The present work is a substantial revision of a series of books that first appeared in Czech. It has been translated from the German by the English International Master, John Littlewood.

The Woodpecker Method is the name given by Axel Smith to a training system developed by his compatriot Hans Tikkanen. After training with his method in 2010, Tikkanen achieved three GM norms within a seven-week period. This book contains everything you need to carry out your own Woodpecker training. Smith and Tikkanen explain how to get the maximum benefit from the method, before presenting over 1100 puzzles and solutions.

If only real life were like a book on chess tactics! But during a game you are on your own, and nobody will whisper in your ear that you have reached a position that is, in fact, a tactical puzzle and all you have to do is solve it. What you need, discovered Emmanuel Neiman in his long career as a chess trainer, is a way to read the signals which indicate that, somewhere in the position you are looking at, there is a tactical blow. What you need is a Chess Tactics Antenna! This trailblazing book by award-winning author Neiman provides a set of tools that enables the average club player to determine the moment he needs to look for win.

Raise your chess to the next level with this program of 600 instructive and challenging exercises covering all aspects of the game. This book will sharpen your tactical vision, deepen your positional understanding, and enrich your knowledge of theoretical positions. It will also strengthen your analytical skills, and instill a sound move selection process. Win more games and increase your enjoyment of chess!

Experience Taber's 21! To thrive in the ever-changing world of health care, you need a respected, trusted, and cutting-edge, cyclopedic resource. In hand, online, or on a mobile device, turn to Taber's Cyclopedic Medical Dictionary, 21st Edition any Chess Tactics Can Be Fun! This book is an introduction to the various kinds of basic chess tactics. With instructional material, examples, and problems of all types, the subject of chess tactics is covered comprehensively. There are approximately 500 examples ranging from too easy to very difficult! Tactics are usually why most people find chess fun! This book will greatly enhance your enjoyment learning about - and benefiting from - the recurring patterns of tactics. It is well established that the study of basic tactics is probably the single most important thing any beginner can do to improve at chess. This book will help you do that!

Discusses a variety of chess tactics, including fork, skewer, opening and closing lines, and pawn promotion.

Grandmaster Johan Hellsten is convinced that mastering chess strategy - just like chess tactics - requires practice, practice and yet more practice! This outstanding book is a product of his many years' work as a full-time chess teacher, and is specifically designed as part of a structured training programme to improve strategic thinking. It focuses on a wide range of key subjects and provides a basic foundation for strategic play. Furthermore, in addition to the many examples, there's an abundance of carefully selected exercises which allow readers to monitor their progress and put into practice what they have just learned. Following such a course is an ideal way for players of all standards to improve. Although designed mainly for students, this book is also an excellent resource for chess teachers and trainers. An essential course in chess strategy Contains over 400 pages of Grandmaster advice Includes more than 350 training exercises

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Far from being a rather slow strategic phase, the endgame in chess is in fact highly tactical, requiring accurate calculation and constant alertness. This guide to the tactics of the endgame is by a grandmaster, and is intended for players of all levels. Allow your intuition in chess to reach its full potential.

Tactics Time 2 presents 1001 fresh and instructive positions that Tim and Anthea have assembled from real amateur chess games, leaving you able to spot relatively simple patterns like a knight fork, an overloaded piece or a weak back rank.

The first section of [this] book discusses classical themes, such as pawn majorities, the centre and structural weaknesses. Watson then moves on to discuss new concepts, including the willingness of modern players to accept backward pawns in return for dynamic play, the idea of a good 'bad' bishop, knights finding useful roles at the edge of the board, and the exchange of sacrifice ideas that became prevalent with the post-war Soviet world champions. ..."--Back cover.

Good defensive abilities earn players a great many half-points and full-points. The climax of the defense is the launch of a devastating counter-attack, a skill at which all the great chess champions have been adept. Of particular interest to club players is

Marin's discussion of how to defend against unsound attacks, and the problem of how to parry the attack while retaining winning chances. Other topics include attack and defense in equal positions, where both sides must judge carefully how much of their resources to devote to the attack and the counter-attack. The main subject, though, is the case where the defender is fighting for his life, and must decide how to maximize his chances of survival. Marin considers psychological issues and explains the main options available to the defender: simplification, cold-blooded defense, a positional sacrifice, 'blackmailing' the attacker, or a counter-attack.

An improved and expanded second edition of a modern classic. 'Chess is 99 per cent tactics' is an old saying. This may be an exaggeration, but even the remaining 1 per cent still depends on tactics. When Martin Weteschnik started working as a trainer in his local chess club, he quickly realised that even the stronger club players had great weaknesses in their tactical play. He also discovered that simply asking them to solve a huge number of puzzles did not fix the problem. These players clearly needed a good book, but when Weteschnik looked for it he found nothing suitable, so he decided to write it himself. But Weteschnik was not completely satisfied with the book and decided to restructure and rewrite it completely. The first edition of this book was hailed as a modern classic. This expanded and improved second edition offers more puzzles to test the tactical chess skill that Weteschnik helps the reader develop.

Susan Polgar became the first female Grandmaster at age 15—and it wasn't luck that got her there. Her use of tactics, combinations, and strategy during her games gave her the critical advantage she needed against her opponents. In *Chess Tactics for Champions*, Polgar gives insight into the kind of thinking that chess champions rely on while playing the game, specifically the ability to recognize patterns and combinations. With coauthor Paul Truong, Susan Polgar teaches the tactics she learned from her father, Laszlo Polgar, one of the world's best chess coaches.

- Teaches players how to calculate the effect of a move in order to gain an edge over an opponent
- For intermediate to advanced chess players of all ages

The "fascinating" #1 international bestseller of a quest across centuries by two intrepid women to reunite the pieces of a powerful, ancient chess set (Los Angeles Times Book Review). A fabulous, bejeweled chess set that belonged to Charlemagne has been buried in a Pyrenees abbey for a thousand years. As the bloody French Revolution rages in Paris, the nuns dig it up and scatter its pieces across the globe because, when united, the set contains a secret power that could topple civilizations. To keep the set from falling into the wrong hands, two novices, Valentine and Mireille, embark on an adventure that begins in the streets of Paris and leads to Russia, Egypt, Corsica, and into the heart of the Algerian Sahara. Two hundred years later, while on assignment in Algeria, computer expert Catherine Velis finds herself drawn unwillingly into the deadly "Game" still swirling around the legendary chess set—a game that will require her to risk her life and match wits with diabolical forces. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Katherine Neville including rare images from her life and travels. Craig Pritchett selects and studies five chess legends whose play exemplifies outstandingly innovative attributes: Wilhelm Steinitz, Emanuel Lasker, Mikhail Botvinnik, Viktor Korchnoi and Vassily Ivanchuk.

Ilya Maizelis's masterpiece is the definitive introduction to the game of chess. It has inspired generations of Russians to take up the game, including arguably the two greatest players of all time, the 12th and 13th World Champions. In the original Russian, this landmark work is simply called "Chess" no other explanation was considered necessary. The Soviet Chess Primer is a modern English translation of Maizelis's witty introduction to the royal game. This new edition of a timeless classic includes an original foreword from the 2nd World Champion, Emanuel Lasker, as well as an introduction from the most celebrated chess trainer of modern times, Mark Dvoretsky."

This chess book concentrates on typical practical themes in the middlegame. It deals with the essential ideas of tactical combinations, attack and defence. At every stage there are questions and tests which enable the reader to discover his or her own tactical strengths and weaknesses. This book is the sequel to *Secrets of Chess Training* which won the British Chess Federation's 1990-91 Book of the Year Award.

Presents problems and situations to improve tactics and techniques in playing chess, including strategies, forks, pins, and skewers.

My First Book of Chess Tactics is a thorough introduction to this vital aspect of playing winning chess. Tactics are the tricks and techniques you use to surprise and ambush your opponent. The more you know about tactics, the better you'll play the game and the more games you will win. In *My First Book of Chess Tactics* you will:

- Learn the ideas behind tactical patterns and how to name them
- See how to focus on a position to find tactical patterns
- Practice tactics by solving realistic puzzles
- Recognize not only what you can do to your opponent, but what your opponent can do to you.

A guide to chess strategy uses examples from such players as Nimzowitsch and Kramnik to illustrate developments in chess strategy.

There is much published on chess tactics, strategy, openings and endings, but little on how to come up with imaginative solutions through logical thinking and evaluation. This book is dedicated to that task and provides over 700 'fresh' positions, incorporating a variety of schemes of thought for the reader to solve. The examples emphasise the power of logical and resourceful thinking, quick wit and imagination. In each chapter the author presents little-explored concepts, such as progressive and reciprocal thinking, to help the reader achieve decisive results and to make fewer mistakes in calculation.

Introduces the game of chess, pieces and how they move, and classic strategies and tactics from each stage of the game.

This guide, intended for tournament players, addresses all the factors that indicate the correct choice of opening lead.

The format challenges players to think for themselves before being presented with the solution.

"Compared with the other books in this series, substantially more space is given to the analysis of the opening problems that confront a player in a particular game. The first half of the book is altogether devoted to opening preparation (although, as you will see, not only to this), and also in the second half nearly every game is accompanied by detailed opening information. The main attraction of chess is its thematic content. I hope that this book, like the preceding ones, will provide a guide for you through the rich and diverse world of chess ideas, will help you to perceive the depth and beauty of schemes generated at the board, in tournament or match play, to disclose the causes of mistakes and to be aware of the hidden forces that determine the plans of chess encounters. As a result you will significantly improve your understanding of chess, and your practical playing strength will rise." -- Mark Dvoretsky

In this tremendously instructive and entertaining work, John Nunn selects 125 of the finest short decisive grandmaster games of the modern era. For a grandmaster to lose a game in 25 moves or fewer takes something special, and club players can learn a great deal from studying these miniatures. Each of these games is a true battle, with the result often in doubt until near the very end of the struggle. Nunn identifies the most common causes of the errors that lead to the

loser's demise, and how one can seek to take dramatic advantage of the opponent's risky or faulty play. In his thought-provoking extended introduction, he explains that in many cases, the problem was of a psychological nature: often the loser fails to accept that events have not unfolded according to plan, and as a consequence steers into the reefs when there was still time to head for safer waters.

Yes you can understand the Bible! Discovering the Miracle of the Scarlet Thread in Every Book of the Bible takes the mystery and confusion out of the Bible and makes God's Word come alive with new insights and a fresh excitement that will have you searching for more. Dr. Richard Booker unveils the mysteries and secrets of the Bible by explaining its master theme, and then reveals a simple plan so you can discover God's personal revelation for yourself. The author provides Exciting biblical background, An interesting survey of each book in the Bible, Each book's master theme, Practical principles, forms, and guidelines for your own life-enriching Bible study. The sometimes hard-to-understand teachings of Jesus in their original culture and context come alive and become real through discovering the miracle of the scarlet thread. Then Jesus began to explain everything which had been written in the Scriptures about Him. Jesus started with the books of Moses and then He talked about what the prophets had written about Him (Luke 24:27 PEB). This book about the Bible will change the way you think about His Word His life-changing and eternal Word.

If you want to become a chess master, there are certain things you need to know essential tips and techniques that the masters know, and you need to learn. This incredibly useful book collects all these techniques together in one volume, so you can try them out, tick them off, and start on your path towards chess greatness. Arranged in chapters covering every aspect of chess, from openings to endgames, renowned chess author Andrew Soltis provides top 20 rundowns of these specific positions and techniques: chapters include Top 20 Sacrifices, Top 20 Crucial Middlegame Decisions, Top 20 Endgame Techniques and Top 20 Exact Endgames. Written in Andrew Soltis's eternally engaging and accessible style, this book will prove invaluable to any player who wants to become a chess master.

This new 3rd edition has, besides various corrections and improvements, a new introduction and a brand-new chapter called 'Total Control'. In this 35-page chapter Grooten adds the final instructive brick to his formidable, yet very accessible, building: inspired by Tigran Petrosian's playing style he explains amateurs how to exploit small advantages. With a new set of exercises. ---- Every club player knows the problem: the opening has ended, and now what? First find the right plan, then the good moves will follow! With this book, International Master Herman Grooten presents to amateur players a complete and structured course on: how to recognize key characteristics in all types of positions how to make use of those characteristics to choose the right plan His teachings are based on the famous "Elements" of Wilhelm Steinitz, but Grooten has significantly expanded and updated the work of the first World Champion. He supplies many modern examples, tested in his own practice as a coach of talented youngsters. In Chess Strategy for Club Players you will learn the basic elements of positional understanding: -- pawn structure -- piece placement -- lead in development -- open files -- weaknesses -- space advantage -- king safety -- exploiting small advantages. The author also explains what to do when, in a given position, the basic principles seem to point in different directions. Each chapter of this fundamental primer ends with a set of highly instructive exercises.

Learn the secrets of chess from the only person able to beat the world number 1 chess engine Stockfish. Learn chess 5 times easier through pattern recognition. Attain deep chess knowledge in an intuitive way through a wealth of diagrams (more than 500). Read about topics no other chess author has ever discussed in the past. This book is an entertaining story, combining in one all the elements of positional evaluation in chess. Learn things from the future of chess. Learning straight from the author who has contributed a lot for the development of the strongest chess engine on Earth, Stockfish. ABOVE sentences someone might find conceited, but are mostly true. In this book you will find everything one needs to know about positional evaluation, from tactical features, like pins and discovered checks, to deeply strategic ones, like pointed chains and king shelter weaknesses. The book has incorporated almost all of the concepts available in other reference material, but that is just the start. No matter how unbelievable that might seem to you, half of the featured elements are completely NEW to chess theory, a product of endless analysis sessions with Stockfish and Komodo chess engines, as well as the use of statistical points, derived from a large number of high-quality game databases, one of which is TCEC, the strongest computer chess championship in the world, played at very long time control. So that, when you are reading this, the signature is not only mine, but partly also that of Stockfish and Komodo. The creative ideas are mine, but without the valuable help of the chess engines, I would never have been able to do that the same way. Please, don't be afraid by the numbers used for qualifying all evaluation features: this is done just for the sake of precision, but it is very easy to convert those numbers to usual human assessments. For example, if a feature is assessed with +50cps (cp, centipawn is one hundredth of a full pawn material), that will mean the feature is good. When you see +100cps and above, the feature is very good. If between 0 and 20cps, the feature is still good and useful, but less so. Similarly, for features with negative values, the higher the value, the worse the specific feature is. One gets accustomed to these values and then everything is fine. The book gives a definition for each specific evaluation pattern, a diagram specifies it, and then you get more detailed information about the characteristics of the term, real-game examples and a mention of how frequent this term occurs on the board. All this information is useful, as in this way you will get a better understanding of which terms are good and which bad, how good or bad a certain term is, be able to follow real-game examples and deduce everything about the usefulness of the term. As already observed, you will not find a more COMPREHENSIVE GUIDE on chess/chess evaluation than this one. The main asset of the book is its innovative approach and the great amount of high knowledge introduced. The book is suitable for all levels of chess, from beginner to advanced, as the approach it follows is based on pattern recognition. One just has to memorise the specific pattern featured on a diagram, and then apply it on the chess board! Nothing less, nothing more. The more terms you memorise, the better you will be at chess. MAKE NO MISTAKE: chess evaluation is the most important element in acquiring a better chess knowledge. You can play very good chess by being able to evaluate well, even if you are not able to calculate all lines very well, but the opposite is not quite true. If you don't know which positions are good and which bad, you will always be choosing the bad ones! So, don't wait any longer, and just grab this UNIQUE chess knowledge guide, memorise all patterns inside and progress at chess much faster than you have ever thought possible.

The world's top trainer, Mark Dvoretsky, and one of his best-known pupils, grandmaster Artur Yusupov, present a five-volume series based on courses given to talented young players throughout the world. The books contain contributions by other leading trainers and grandmasters, as well as games by pupils who have attended the courses. In this first volume the reader is shown how to assess his strengths and weaknesses, analyze his own games, and learn from the rich heritage of the past by a study of the chess classics. Over a hundred graded test positions provide ample material for self-improvement.

The Soviet Union is history, but its influence on chess is still strong in the 21st century, as a glance at the rating list proves. The late Alexey Suetin was perfectly qualified to reveal the strategic secrets of the Soviet chess school. Suetin was a strong grandmaster and for many years one of the most respected coaches in Moscow -- he guided the ultimate strategist, Tigran Petrosian, to the World Championship, and numbered Vassily Ivanchuk among his many other pupils. This is a collection of Suetin's finest writing. Suetin instructs the reader on all the key aspects of strategic play, including the centre, dynamism, accurate evaluation, attack and defence, and the relationship between strategy and tactics. It is not too late to become a pupil in the Soviet chess school!

"A chess Olympic Gold Medal winner explains how you can dramatically improve your chess results"--Cover.

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