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This book portrays British chess life in the nineteenth century through biographical studies of ten players who shaped the modern game. From Captain Evans, inventor of the famous gambit, to Isidor Gunsberg, England's first challenger for the world championship, personal narratives are blended with game annotations to reassess players' achievements and character. The author has combined deep reading in primary sources with genealogical research to reveal new facts and correct pre-

vious misunderstandings. Major chapters on Howard Staunton and William Steinitz, in particular, highlight the tensions between Englishmen and immigrants, amateurs and professionals. The contrasting long careers of Henry Bird and Joseph Blackburne provide a thread of continuity. The lives of several other important figures in Victorian chess are also presented. More than 160 games (with diagrams), several annotated in detail, and 50 photographs and line drawings are included. Appendices provide career records for all ten;

there are extensive notes, a bibliography and indexes.

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New and substantially expanded edition of a modern chess classic. By chance, in 2013 publisher New In Chess discovered a previously unnoticed and unpublished extra batch of endgame tactics collected by the legendary Dutch correspondence grandmaster Ger van Perlo (1932-2010). More than 250 fresh examples have been added, making this fourth edition 25% BIGGER than its predecessors. For casual players and club players. Why is it that most amateur chess players love opening and middlegame tactics but hate endgames? Why do you usually look at only a couple

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Fred Reinfeld--his name used to be known to almost every chess player in the United States. Not so well known are his accomplishments. One of the strongest players of his time, he ranked just below Reuben Fine and Samuel Reshevsky (against whom he had a plus score). He was the ac-

complished author of some of the best chess books of the 1930s and 1940s, and a respected numismatist, recognized as a pioneer in the field. He was an editor or major contributor to almost every major chess magazine through the 1940s--Chess Review, Chess Correspondent and Chess Life. This first book on Renfield covers his remarkable contributions to the chess world, with many of his ideas and writings quoted in their original context and with many of his famous annotations preserved for the modern reader.

This is a fantasy story with science blended in about the new goddess Syzygy, who is the daughter of Caissa (the goddess of chess) and Hermes (the god of checkers). She is a strong female lead character. Because her parents were gods of board games, she is, too!! It is in her stock!! Syzygy becomes the most powerful god in the universe, but she does not kill those who attack her. She wants them to be her friends, instead. She has battles with Poseidon, Zeus, Atlas, and Hercules; and they become her friends afterward. Before and after these battles, she is inventing new board games. They get described in the

story, and some are fully described so as to be able to play. There does come an intruder from outside our universe, who is more powerful than Syzygy. She engages in a battle to the death with him. Read the story to find out about this battle, who won it, and the aftermath to our very own universe!! The author shamelessly puts himself in the story to describe other necessary components of his work to create a complete gaming environment for the board game player--his new rating system and new tournament design. This is a great read in and of itself because it blends mythology and science very well to create a very original work that has a lot of layers to it beyond the mere showcasing of the author's games, rating system, and new tournament design. Dr. Siegbert Tarrasch, a prominent chess player of the past, said "Chess, like love, like music, has the power to make men happy." However, chess also has the power to make men unhappy. It has this power because it has a tendency to draw as the most recent world championship with 12 straight draws attests. Over the last 150 years of chess history, there have been many attempts to reduce the number of draws associated with the

game, and all such attempts have failed in one way or another. Why is this the case? The answer is so obvious, really. It is because chess itself needs to be upgraded, which I have done. The new chess variant I created to solve this vexing problem is called Fighting Chess, and it is featured in the story. I have invented five other board games, and these are all featured in the story, too. These games are all constructed very well. They all provide an excellent gaming experience, and they won't lead to the vexing draw problem as seen in chess because they were invented specifically not to have that problem. Reading this story will expose the reader to my work in a nice setting that is entertaining. If you have read this far, then you should really consider reading my book. I have been developing board games for over 30 years, and I have gotten very good at it. My stuff is world class and will reward the student who embarks on the journey of learning the game's secrets in a more satisfying way than chess. At some point (hopefully in the near future), we will host the games featured in this book on the website www.tinesandbarbs.com. Thank you. This is a reproduction of the original arte-

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The Semi-Slav, one of the most popular openings among the chess elite, is also one of the most popular chess openings that Black can play against 1.d4. This book provides expert guidance on how to play this exciting variation. The reader receives an exciting Black repertoire against 1.d4, and a choice of two lines against White's main tries.

Jesus de la Villa's worldwide bestseller 100 Endgames You Must Know successfully debunked the myth that endgame theory is complex and that endgame books are tedious. Reviewers praised its clarity and completeness and thousands of players dramatically improved their endgame understanding (and their results!). In recent years, De la Villa's students sometimes

complained that when they had to apply what they had studied in 100 Endgames, they didn't always have the material ready at their fingertips. De la Villa then made an important discovery: most of the errors his students made are being made by others as well, even by strong and sometimes famous chess players! De la Villa started collecting training material and selected those exercises best suited to retain and improve your knowledge and avoid common errors. In this book the Spanish grandmaster presents hundreds of exercises grouped according to the various chapters in 100 Endgames. Solving these puzzles will drive home the most important ideas, refresh your knowledge and improve your technique. This book contains a massive amount of clear, concise and easy-to-follow chess endgame instruction. The advice De la Villa gives in the solutions is practical and useful. Ideal for every post-beginner, club player and candidate master who wishes to win more games.

The games of Mikhail Botvinnik, world chess champion from 1948 to 1963, have been studied by players around the world for decades. But little has been written

about Botvinnik himself. This book explores his unusual dual career--as a highly regarded scientist as well as the first truly professional chess player--as well as his complex relations with Soviet leaders, including Josef Stalin, his bitter rivalries, and his doomed effort to create the perfect chess-playing computer program. The book has more than 85 games, 127 diagrams, twelve photographs, a chronology of his life and career, a bibliography, an index of openings, an index of opponents, and a general index.

A heartwarming and charming debut novel about family, friends, and finding your voice all wrapped up in a warm tortilla. Estefania "Stef" Soto is itching to shake off the onion-and-cilantro embrace of Tia Perla, her family's taco truck. She wants nothing more than for Papi to get a normal job and for Tia Perla to be a distant memory. Then maybe everyone at school will stop seeing her as the Taco Queen. But when her family's livelihood is threatened, and it looks like her wish will finally come true, Stef surprises everyone (including herself) by becoming the truck's unlikely champion. In this fun and heartfelt novel, Stef will discover what matters most and ultimately

embrace an identity that even includes old Tia Perla.

At 32, Luisa encounters her 15-year-old self in this sentimental and bold story about self-acceptance and sexuality.

'1.e4! The Chess Bible' (in three volumes) is a complete and authoritative repertoire for White based on sound main lines and the latest cutting-edge analysis. Existing theory is revisited and expanded with several fresh ideas, novelties and refutations which will appeal to dedicated 1.e4 players and theoreticians alike. However, each section is also carefully designed to be easily digested by players of all standards, with an opening overview, illustrated diagrams of key concepts, and instructive and annotated games. This book is an essential practical resource for any 1.e4 player and will greatly reward those who are looking to master their understanding of the open games. The openings covered in this volume are: The Scandinavian Defence, The Alekhine's Defence, The Nimzowitsch Defence, The Pirc & Modern Defences and The Philidor Defence.

Drawing on new research, this biography of William Steinitz (1836-1900), the first

World Chess Champion, covers his early life and career, with a fully-sourced collection of his known games until he left London in 1882. A portrait of mid-Victorian British chess is provided, including a history of the famous Simpson's Divan. Born to a poor Jewish family in Prague, Steinitz studied in Vienna, where his career really began, before moving to London in 1862, bent on conquering the chess world. During the next 20 years, he became its strongest and most innovative player, as well as an influential writer on the game. A foreigner with a quarrelsome nature, he suffered mockery and discrimination from British amateur players and journalists, which eventually drove him to immigrate to America. The final chapters cover his subsequent visits to England and the last three tournaments he played there.

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sic or mathematics, as an added intellectual insight into these two disciplines. The text is supplemented by many chess diagrams, charts, and over 50 full-color images. So, turn on the music, set up chessboard, get out the calculator and let the author take you on a most fascinating journey that is Music and Chess - Apollo Meets Caissa.

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Four satirical, interconnected stories from the author of *Icelander* follow a quadruple love story, a Tibetan plagiarist, and a mysterious protest group that goes by the name SOFA in four different cities: Brooklyn, Bloomington, Berkeley and Bakerfield. 7,500 first printing.

Casting aside her duty as the heir to the Ambassador of her world, Lady Caissa refuses to marry a man she despises and flees into the Forbidden Zone, where she meets a handsome injured man and sets a world-changing series of events in motion. Reprint.

Attacking Manuals 1 & 2 comprise the first thorough examination of the nature of dynamics in chess, and the principles explained in this book are relevant to every chess game played. In lively no-nonsense language, Aagaard explains how the best players in the world attack. The rules of attack (the exploitation of a dynamic advantage) are explained in an accessible and entertaining style. This groundbreaking work is well balanced between easily understandable examples, exercises and deep analysis. Volume 2 covers what to do once the attack is up and running, and

deals with weak kings, intuitive sacrifices, opposite castling, king hunts, and enduring initiative. Attacking Manuals 1 & 2 were chosen as the English Chess Federation's Book of the Year 2010.

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This book examines what might be described as the "pure" Réti Opening. White starts with 1 Nf3 and intends to meet 1...d5 with the "Réti" response 2 c4. One of the major advantages of playing these systems is that they rely far more on gen-

eral strategic understanding than rote memorisation. However, this does not mean that Black is not set difficult problems to solve. In the modern era these lines have mainly been championed by Vladimir Kramnik and Lev Aronian. Both these players have frequently set very difficult problems for their elite opponents with these complex systems. This series provides an ideal platform to study chess openings. By continually challenging the reader to answer probing questions throughout the book, the Move by Move format greatly encourages the learning and practising of vital skills just as much as the traditional assimilation of opening knowledge. Carefully selected questions and answers are designed to keep you actively involved and allow you to monitor your progress as you learn. This is an excellent way to study any chess opening and at the same time improve your general chess skills and knowledge. * Essential guidance and training in the Réti Opening * Analyses all key variations * Utilizes an ideal Q+A approach to chess study

One of Caissa's Brightest Stars! The Belgian master Edgard Colle was one of the most dynamic and active chess players of

the 1920s and early 1930s. Though his international career lasted only ten years, Colle played in more than 50 tournaments, as well as a dozen matches. Moreover, he played exciting and beautiful chess, full of life, vigor, imagination and creativity. As with such greats as Pillsbury and Charousek, it was a tragedy for the game that his life was cut short, at just age 34. Author Taylor Kingston has examined hundreds of Colle's games, in an effort to understand his skills and style, his strengths and weaknesses, and present an informed, balanced picture of him as a player. Colle emerges as a courageous, audacious, and tenacious fighter, who transcended the limitations his frail body imposed, to battle the giants of his day and topple many of them. 110 of Colle's best, most interesting, and representative games have been given deep and exacting computer analysis. This often revealed important aspects completely overlooked by earlier annotators, and overturned their analytical verdicts. But the computer's iron logic is tempered always with a sympathetic understanding that Colle played, in the best sense, a very human kind of chess. Though not intended as a tutorial on the

Colle System, the book has many instructive examples of that opening. Additionally, there is an extensive excerpt from Max Euwe's *Gedenkboek Colle*, several other memorial tributes, biographical information about many of Colle's opponents, his full known tournament and match record, and all his available tournament crosstables. We invite the reader to get acquainted with this wounded but valiant warrior, whom Hans Kmoch called a "chess master with the body of a doomed man and the spirit of an immortal hero." About the Author: Taylor Kingston has been a chess enthusiast since his teens. His historical articles have appeared in *Chess Life*, *New In Chess*, *Inside Chess*, *Kingpin*, and the website www.ChessCafe.com. He has edited numerous books for Russell Enterprises, most recently *Emanuel Lasker: A Reader*. He has also produced many computer-assisted analytical critiques of classic works by Alekhine, Capablanca, Euwe, Tartakower, Nimzovich, Najdorf, Fine and others. In this book, he combines history and analysis in a new look at one of the early 20th century's most variable but brightest stars.

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