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# Chess the art of logical thinking pdf

Reviewed by P.P.O. Kane Chess: The Art of Logical Thinking From the First Move to the Last By Neil McDonald Batsford, 2004 ISBN: 9-780-7134-8894-4 In this book, Neil McDonald presents 30 relatively modern games - all were played from 1978 to 2002 - and adds a comment to each and every move. It is a neat idea and Irving Chernev wrote a book along these lines, Logical Chess: Move by Move, quite some time ago. He may even have created the genre, come to that. Nunn's Understanding Chess Move by Move took a similar tack. The games are aesthetically pleasing and educational and have clearly been chosen to illustrate the variegated splendours of chess. There are smooth positional victories and explosive attacks on the king; there are games that could well serve as models of their type, while others are simply spectacular, original and inimitable. The endgame is a prominent feature of a fair few of them. For ease and convenience, the games have been grouped according to opening and, to some extent, theme - and most games open with either 1.e4 or 1.d4. A difficulty with the book, and with the whole genre actually, is that there are a limited number of things that you can say about the opening moves, about 1.e4 and 1.d4, say, or about 3...cx4 in the open Sicilian, before you begin repeating yourself. When you've said of 1.e4 that it frees the queen and king's bishop, facilitating quick development and early kingside castling, and that the pawn advance seizes space and controls the d5 and f5 squares, you are pretty much at a loss as to how to continue. That McDonald has recourse to flights of fancy, metaphors (If White were seeking to build a house, then 1.e4 is the first stone laid at its foundation), digressions, conceits (the pieces are akin to Dracula entombed in a coffin...), historical waffle and such like rhetorical devices is hardly surprising. And this is not necessarily a bad thing, of course. His notes to 1.e4 never take the form of a haiku though, or any other instance of fixed form poetry, so maybe he has missed a trick here. This is an excellent collection of beautiful, instructive and interesting games and Neil McDonald does a sterling job of elucidating and explaining their finer points. About the reviewer: P.P.O. Kane lives and works in Manchester, England. He welcomes responses to his reviews and you can reach him at ludic@europe.com Views All Time2175 Views Today4 Tags: chess Download & View Chess the Art of Logical Thinking (Neil McDonald) as PDF for free Description eBook Details Click on the cover image above to read some pages of this book! (Formatting may be different depending on your device and eBook type.) Chess is the art that expresses the science of logic. Mikhail Botvinnik Grandmaster Neil McDonald explains every single move made by White and Black in 30 striking tactical or strategical games played over the last quarter century. These games have been carefully chosen for their consistent logical thread, thereby providing the reader with prime instruction in the art of conceiving appropriate plans and attacks and carrying them out to their natural conclusion. Watching games unfold in this way will be both an education and inspiration to readers who can then try to play in the same purposeful way in their own games - with a corresponding increase in their playing strength. IOS Android Desktop Windows eReader ISBN: 9781849941068 ISBN-10: 1849941068 Audience: General Format: ePUB Language: English Number Of Pages: 300 Published: 7th January 2013 Publisher: Batsford Country of Publication: GB Edition Number: 1 Chess Openings Traps And Zaps Pandolfini's Ultimate Guide to Chess Powerful Chess Opening Strategies How to Beat the Computer at Chess JavaScript seems to be disabled in your browser. For the best experience on our site, be sure to turn on Javascript in your browser. Denne boka kunne også vært kategorisert under Partisamlinger, men de komplette partiene er i høyeste grad valgt ut og kommentert ut fra pedagogiske hensyn. Stormester McDonald har valgt ut 30 moderne partier spilt i tidsrommet 1978 - 2003 og gjennomgår dem bokstavelig talt trekk for trekk. Et gjentagelse av en klassiker fra 2004. En lærerik bok som utfra oppbyggingen og de grunnleggende forklaringen kan passe aller for spillere på ratingnivåer ca. 1000 - 1900. Partiene er plassert i seks spennende kapitler i forhold til de aller første åpningstrekkene: Classical Chess Thinking: 1 e4 e5 Sicilian Defence: Dynamic Chess Strategy Judging the Time Factor: Diverse Ideas after 1 e4 Strategy Under the Microscope: 1 d4 d5 The Art of Counterattack: 1 d4 Sf6 Delayed Dynamism: The Flank Openings Forlagetets egen omtale: These games have been carefully chosen for their consistent logical thread, thereby providing the reader with prime instruction in the art of conceiving appropriate plans and attacks and carrying them out to their natural conclusion. Watching games unfold in this way will be both an education and inspiration to readers who can then try to play in the same purposeful way in their own games - with a corresponding increase in their playing strength.

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