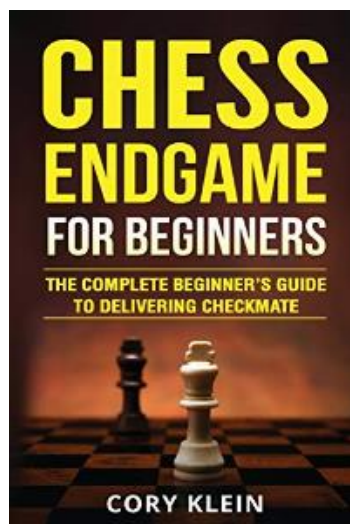


# Some Chess books in the library

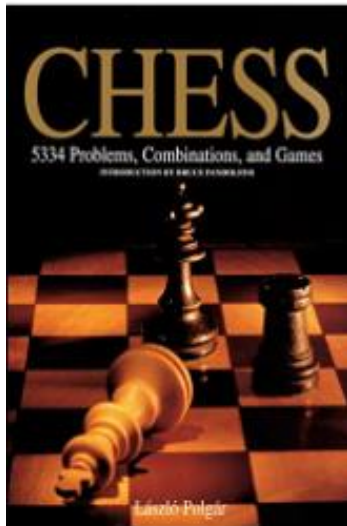


## **Chess endgame for beginners : the complete beginner's guide to delivering checkmate by Cory Klein (2018)**

The endgame is arguably the most important phase of every chess game. It is the decisive point of the opposition between two fighting minds and consequently, one must be prepared before reaching it. The goal of every chess game is the same: to deliver checkmate. Doing so requires much more than playing well in the opening and middlegame. It requires understanding of endgame fundamentals, knowledge of common checkmate patterns, and more. For centuries, chess experts have studied chess endgames and developed sound and effective theory around the topic. This book contains the theoretical content you will need to develop a basic understanding of chess endgame fundamentals. It will enable you to deliver checkmate more often and more efficiently by providing the following:

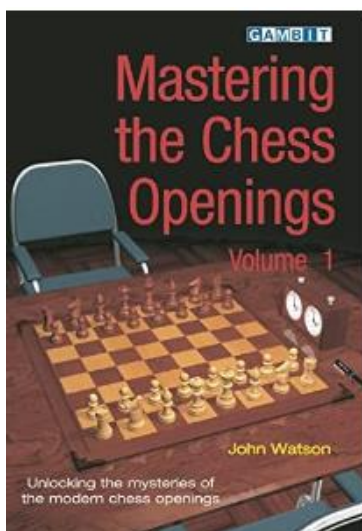
- Basic endgame strategies
- Rules to keep in mind and apply during chess endgames
- Tips for establishing positional advantages in the endgame
- Examples of fundamental endgame positions
- Diagrams and illustrations to help you visualize the chess board while learning about the endgame
- Common checkmate patterns illustrated and analysed for your understanding
- A real-life example of an endgame battle between two chess grandmasters
- Become a Checkmate Machine

After reading this book, you will have a better understanding of what the endgame is, when it starts, and what to do once it has. You will know exactly what moves to look for at each turn, and what moves to avoid to improve your position and give yourself a decisive advantage. Lastly, you will familiarize yourself with some of the most common checkmate patterns and thus learn to quickly deliver checkmate in various endgame scenarios. As a result, your game will improve and you will begin to win more games.



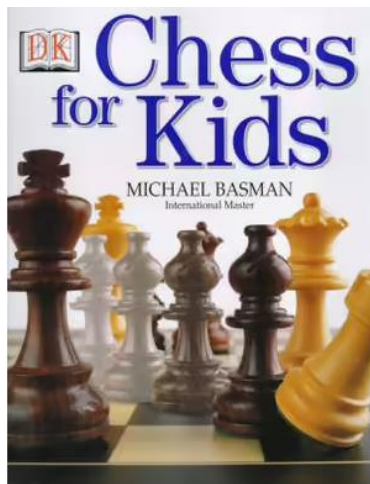
**Chess : 5334 problems, combinations, and games by László Polgár ; introduction by Bruce Pandolfini. (1994)**

The most complete collection of chess problems ever published, including 5,334 instructional situations, presented by the world's leading chess teacher Chess analyzes more than 5,000 unique instructional situations, many taken from real matches, including 306 problems for checkmate in one move, 3,412 mates in two moves, 744 mates in three moves, 600 miniature games, 144 simple endgames, and 128 tournament game combinations.



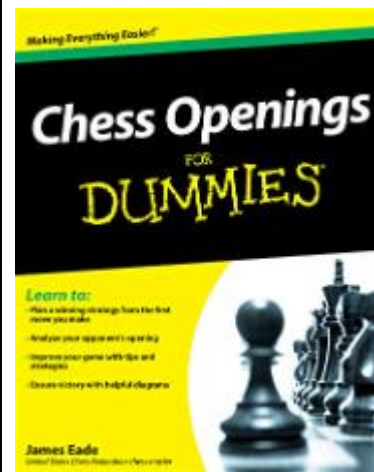
**Mastering the chess openings. Volume 1 by John Watson. (2021)**

For many chess-players, opening study is sheer hard work. It is difficult to know what is important and what is not, and when specific knowledge is vital, or when a more general understanding is sufficient. Tragically often, once the opening is over, a player won't know what plan to follow, or even understand why his pieces are on the squares on which they sit. John Watson seeks to help chess-players achieve a more holistic and insightful view of the openings. In his previous books on chess strategy, *Secrets of Modern Chess Strategy* and *Chess Strategy in Action*, he explained vital concepts that characterize modern chess. Moreover, he did so in ways that have enabled these ideas to be understood by club players. Here he does likewise for the openings, proceeding from the fundamental ideas that apply to all openings to more advanced concepts that are essential for substantial improvement. In this major four-volume work, Watson explains not only the ideas and strategies behind specific openings, but also the interconnections of chess openings taken as a whole. By presenting the common threads that underlie opening play, Watson provides a permanent basis for playing openings of any type. International Master John Watson is one of the world's most respected writers on chess. His ground-breaking four-volume work on the English Opening firmly established his reputation in the 1980s, and he has produced a string of top-quality works since. In 1999, *Secrets of Modern Chess Strategy*, Watson's first book for Gambit, won the British Chess Federation Book of the Year Award and the United States Chess Federation Fred Cramer Award for Best Book. His former pupils include the 1997 World Junior Champion, Tal Shaked.



**Chess by Mike Basman. (2001)**

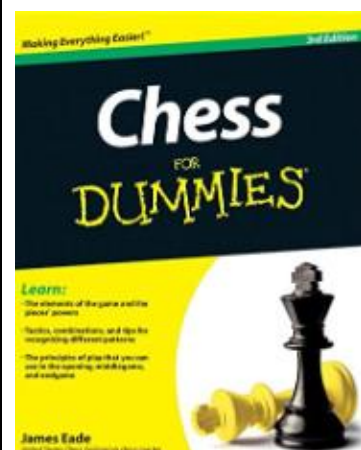
International Master, Michael Basman, invites you into the challenging and exciting world of chess. His simple and accessible text presents the beginner with the rules, skills and techniques of the game. Every aspect is illustrated with clear step-by-step photography, from setting up the board to advanced tactics.



### Chess openings for dummies by James Eade. (2010)

A guide for chess players on opening strategies, providing instructions and diagrams, and explaining how to plan a strategy from the beginning, how to analyze the opening move of an opponent, and other related topics.

Contents: Principles of play ( Understanding chess openings ; Exploring the elements of chess ; Picking the right type of opening) -- Winning with open games (Gambling with gambits ; Opening softly with a big stick : the bishop makes its move ; Workin' on some knight moves ; Employing the royal Ruy ; The best of the rest of the open games) -- Having it both ways with semi-open games (Sharpening the Sicilian ; Parlez-vous the French? ; Anyone can Caro-Kann ; Rope-a-dope with the Pirc and Modern defenses) -- Conquering with closed and semi-closed games (Offering the Queen's gambit ; Declining with the Slave and Semi-Slav ; Getting hypermodern with the Nimzo-Indian ; Fighting back with King's Indian ; Grinding in the Grünfeld ; The best of the rest of the semi-closed games) -- Advancing with flank openings (Speaking the King's English ; Getting Reti ; The best of the rest of the flank openings) -- The part of tens (Ten common mistakes to avoid in the opening ; Ten best ways to study chess openings ; Ten great chess web sites)



### Chess for dummies by James Eade. (2011)

Explains the basic rules and theories needed to know to play chess and discusses the set-up of a chess board, the different positions, helpful strategies and tactics, and other related topics.



### *And for the fun of it...*

### The queen's gambit by Walter Tevis. (2020)

When she is sent to an orphanage at the age of eight, Beth Harmon soon discovers two ways to escape, albeit fleetingly, her surroundings: playing chess and taking the little green pills given to her and the other children to keep them subdued. Before long, it becomes apparent that hers is a prodigious talent, and as she progresses to the top of the US chess rankings she is able to forge a new life for herself. But she can never quite overcome her urge to self-destruct.

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