

# Chess for Tigers

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**Simon Webb : Chess for Tigers** before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Chess for Tigers:

13 of 13 people found the following review helpful. Read It Twice or More - It Really Gets BetterBy Robert J. NewellThis book is much more about your approach to chess than it is about concrete chess tips, although it does contain a number of interesting and well-chosen illustrative positions. Here's a sample of the sort of thing you'll find in the book:\* Play the person, not the board.\* Are you trying to make the best move or trying to win?You see the point. The book is about winning approaches, and pretty much anything ethical is in scope (fortunately the book doesn't get into seamier strategies).That said, we read short and entertaining chapters about things that come up all the time: playing weaker players; playing stronger players; winning a won game; playing drawish situations; avoiding blunders; avoiding time trouble; "swindles" in desperate positions; and much more. You may or may not agree with all of the author's advice, but it is largely cogent and practical. You will find yourself relating to the situations described and you may just pick up some new, winning approaches.The first time through I didn't care for the book so much, perhaps because it is so different in its content. The second time through was the time when the practicality of Webb's advice started to become clear. So give the book a chance, and you will not be disappointed.Four stars instead of five simply because it's a very brief book and a bit expensive for what it is.2 of 2 people found the following review helpful. Fun to read and encouraging for average playersBy James A. MagnerThis is an interesting and fun book that provides encouragement for non-expert players interested in chess but who may be frustrated by losing to many opponents. One can try to win more games not by pure technique, but by applying some additional strategies. One should resolve to

become a tenacious opponent, and even try some tricks and traps. A chess purist might not agree, but this way of playing has also worked for me and it is fun. If a reader wants another fun book with lots of my personal examples, with lots of practical tips about how to be successful both in chess and in life, please see "Chess Juggler: Balancing Career, Family and Chess in the Modern World," by James Magner. Both "Chess for Tigers" and my book may not pave the way to your world championship match, but both books can help you win more typical Saturday afternoon tournament games. Enjoy!0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Original ContentBy VVG Good original content. Enjoyed it.

The Tiger is a vicious beast. He doesn't care about the aesthetic side of chess. He doesn't even care about making the best moves. All he cares about is winning. This book will turn players into Tigers who can make the most of their playing strength, take advantage of their opponents' weaknesses, steer the game into positions that favor their style of play, improve their odds of winning against stronger players, and avoid making silly mistakes. A cult classic in the chess world now in its third updated and revised edition this is a must-have for all chess players, especially beginners.