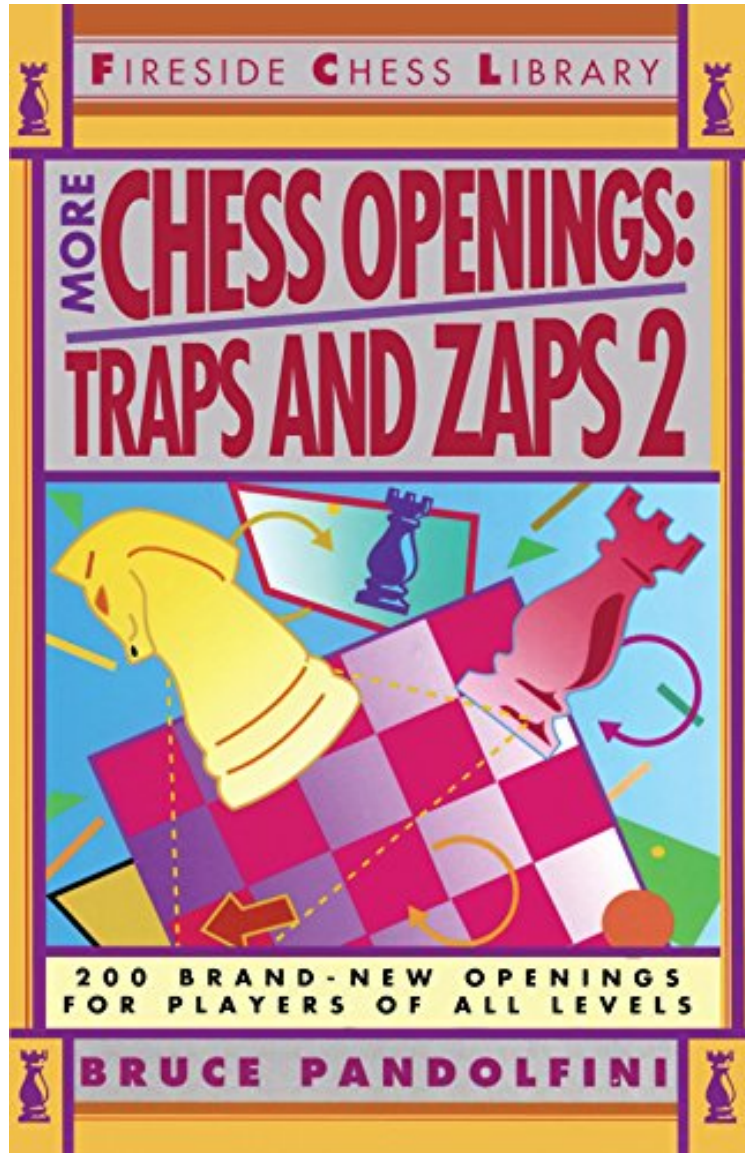


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Pandolfini, who will be the commentator for the 1993 World Chess Championships in Los Angeles this fall, illustrates 200 new and effective way moves for the challenging first phase of the game, explaining strategies and principles in a clear and understandable way. 200 line drawings.

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