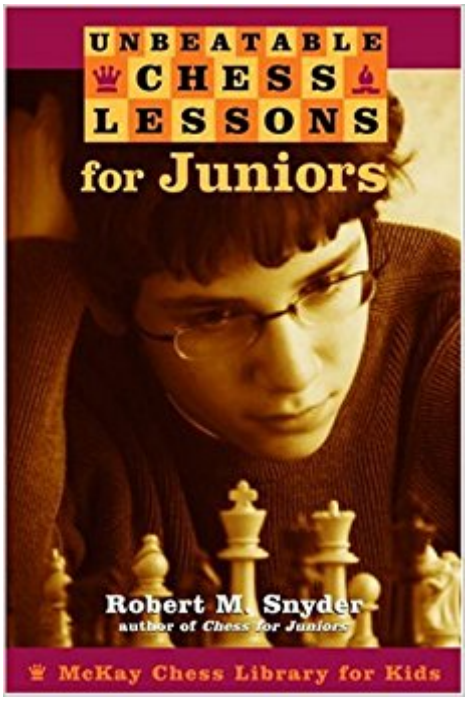
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Unbeatable Chess Lessons For Juniors [McKay Chess Library For Kids]



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ROBERT M. SNYDER is a highly regarded chess educator and well-known personality in scholastic

chess circles. He has introduced chess to over 160,000 children through school presentations and his "Chess for Juniors" television show. His students have won first place 35 times in championship sections at National Scholastic Chess Championships. His school and club teams have won first place 10 times in championship sections at National Scholastic Chess Championships. His previous book, Chess for Juniors, is a bestseller in chess literature.

I found it confusing. it references games previously played, but it skips 3 or 4 moves at a time so I found it difficult and time consuming to follow..

Bought this book for my grandson, who loves chess. Great for someone interested, and young. He was 8 when I gave it to him, and he still uses it.

good book overall for starting out on chess. there are a few mistakes, on page 8 snyder states that if white takes blacks bishop on b7 white will loose as blackmoves his king to d7 with blacks Rhb8++ soon to follow . not going to happen as the white king has no legal move after taking the bishop on b7 and black’s king moves to d7, therefor a draw. snyder says this is his favorite game. this is my second book on chess, first being chess for juniors by snyder, so, i’m checking the receive email for comments on this review to see if i just have this wrong. i’m sure someone will inform me.thanks

Mr. Snyder two books, "Unbeatable Chess Lessons For Juniors" and then the sequel "More Unbeatable Chess For Juniors" take you through 24 complete games per book. These are turned into excellent lessons (used by Mr. Snyder in his private lessons through the internet and face to face for many years) where each move is analyzed. A nice focus is the TECHNIQUE used to accomplish victory. When called for the actual plans are broken down in the analysis pointing out weakness and then a step by step analysis of the planning process. Lets take a look an a major example taken from an endgame in one of the games titled "Planning Ahead" - the author writes,"White’s plan consists of the following ideas (not necessarily in the exact order that they are caried out),"1. Whie will make sure that his KIngside Pawns are secure against any threats by Black’s Bishop. This may require placing the Kingside Pawns on the same color as his Bishop, which may be a drawback; however, it will prevent Black’s Bishop from attacking then in the absence of White’s King.2. White will move his King towaard Black’s weak isolated Queenside Pawns. The King can easily threatn them from the White squares and can aid in the creation and support of a White Queenside passed Pawn.The author goes on with two more (3. & 4.) parts of his

step by step ideas behind the planns as well. This is just a small example of the detail and quality of the lessons you will find in Mr. Snyder's books. Mr. Snyder is not one of these authors who has a new book coming out every couple of months. His recent books have only come out at the rate of about one a year, showing he puts in the time for a quality job.Within the games you will be asked to "find the best move here". This forces the reader to get the old brain working and think! A nice aspect of the writing style.Some of the themes in the games covered are:ATTACK AND DEFENSE OF AN EXPOSED KING (the King Hunt!)TAKING ADVANTAGE OF A WEAK OPENINGOPENING UP LINES AGAINST THE CASTLED KINGPLANNING AHEAD (setting things up well in advance)BUILDING A KINGSIDE ATTACKUNDERSTANDING THE OPENINGTAKING ADVANTAGE OF AN UNSOUND SACRIFICEOPENING STUDY: RUY LOPEZAWESOME USE OF MINOR PIECESTAKING ADVANTAGE OF BLUNDERS (MASTERS BLUNDER TOO!)USE OF PINSSACRIFICING AGAINST THE CASTLED KINGFISCHER-SPASSKY - WINNING IN THE ENDGAMETHE WRONG ROOK (a common mistake!)USE OF THE OUTPOST, TAKING ADVANTAGE OF WEAK WHITE SQUARES, USE OF THE 7TH RANK, ARABIAN MATE, SMOTHERED MATE, OPENING UP AND TAKING ADVANTAGE OF AN EXPOSED KING - ALL IN ONE GAME!!!MASSIVE PAWN CENTERWEAK PAWNSDEEP POSITIONAL SACRIFICE (for long term pressure)QUEENSIDE PAWN MAJORITYDOUBLE SACRIFICE (exposing a King)EFFECTIVE USE OF THE BISHOP PAIRYou will learn how to plan ahead, learn improtant patterns both for tactical play and positional play and you will learn TECHNIQUE in chess!!! And, when you are done with "Unbeatable Chess Lessons For Juniors" you can then move on to the more advanced "More Unbeatable Chess For Juniors" to get more!I have learned a lot and really improved my game from these two books.

I am an experienced scholastic chess player who has been playing and studying chess for some years now. I have a large collection of chess books (numbering in the hundreds) and have read every one of them from cover to cover (I must point out that I have a life outside of chess as well - though chess is my number one thing).Out of every single book I can say that UNBEATABLE CHESS LESSONS FOR JUNIORS is my absolute favorite. Now to why I rank it at the top of my list (I cannot wait for Robert Snyder's MORE UNBEATABLE CHESS FOR JUNIORS to be released):#1) The games are selected for instructional purposes based on many years of teachings by the author (this is why there are no recent games in the book - which is just fine with me). Robert Snyder having produced a record number of national champions has a great insight into the mind of the player and consistantly answers questions on a "comment on every move" basis (he hits the

spot much better than other books using the same concept such as "Logical Chess" and "Understanding Chess"). UNBEATABLE CHESS LESSONS FOR JUNIORS avoids the unecessary repetion found in "Logical Chess" and the long complex analysis which loses the reader found in "Understanding Chess" which are supposed to be for the Intermediate Player.#2) General Rules are outlined as they are applied in each game. Also, where the exceptions to the rules are pointed out as well.#3) Find the best move! Robert Snyder challenges you to find the best move a critical junctures and many points throughout each game (making a game collection book have many of the advantages of a problem solving book!).#4) Critical Opening Lines are covered throughout the book with some new improvements over previously published books on openings.#5) Accurate Analysis - I haven't found a single analytical mistake in the book (a couple very small easy to figure out typos - but far less than most other chess books). Robert Snyder has a 2405 International Rating and 2306 USCF rating and has obviously put in the time to avoid inaccuracies often found in other chess books.#6) Part of a great series - If you are a beginner Robert Snyder's CHESS FOR JUNIORS (the number one best selling chess book on .com) will get your started. His "Winning Chess Tournaments for Juniors" is also an excellent book and a must read for anyone who is serious about doing well in chess. His next book "More Unbeatable Chess for Juniors" will be the follow-up to UNBEATABLE CHESS LESSONS FOR JUNIORS.#7) Planning in Chess - This book will tell you at critical points of the game what the plans are before they are executed!#8) Robert Snyder is an awesome World Class Correspondence Player (games in this book were played before computers could be used to play correspondence games) and his games in this book are as good as if not better than many of the top players in the world today.If you want to really improve your game and would like to learn to analyze and plan ahead and be a winner then get UNBEATABLE CHESS LESOSNS FOR JUNIORS.

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