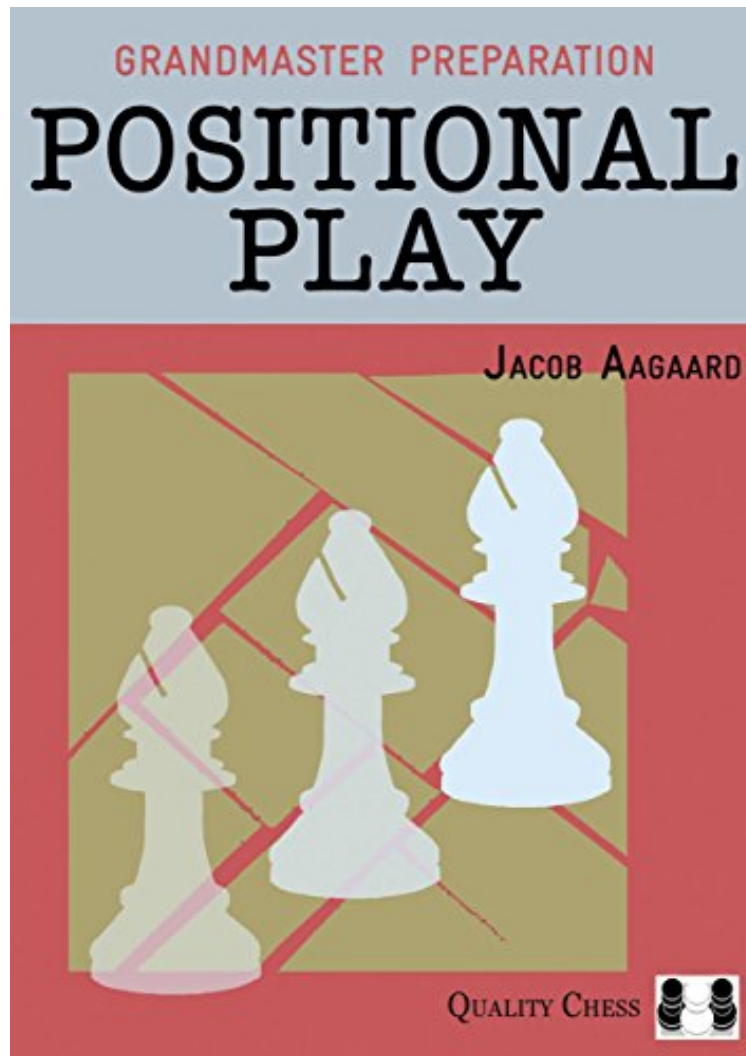


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14 of 19 people found the following review helpful. A page turner (albeit slowly)!By El TritomaThis is not a Tom Clancy novel (I like them too!). It is difficult, it takes time - a lot of time - and I think it is a very good book. Just finishing a chapter (as much as I have done so far) gives you a sense of accomplishment. I have about seven or so of Aagaard's books and they are all good (well, except for the first edition of the Attacking Manual and there is a second edition out now that is just fine). This book should be on your winter reading list, and it will take a good part of the

winter to complete it. But you will have learned a lot. If you finish this book, then get his book Strategic Play. It will make this book seem pretty easy!

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By NeimanAagaard presents in this book a simple and instructive method in order to find positional move. There are three questions that one should ask himself before taking a positional decision :

1. What is the weakness ? (chapter one)
2. What is the worst placed piece ? (chapter two)
3. What does my opponent want ? (chapter three)

The reader should then try to solve some exercises involving the three questions without a clue (chapter four) and the solutions are chapter five. Great reading and training because the examples are well chosen, not too difficult (unlike most Aagaard's training books, generally aimed at a +2400 level) and the method is easy to remember and use. This is not an instructional book for beginners, the reader must know the basics of strategy, pawn structure, so I would say ideally suited for 1700-2400 players.

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By S. Collins

This book provides some lessons about different aspects of positional play. It covers weaknesses, piece placement, and prophylaxis. The exercises and solutions make up the bulk of the book. I usually spend 10 to 30 minutes on each problem, and the process of analyzing the positions and trying to solve them is very helpful for me. I was rated about 1800 USCF when I started studying the book and gained over 250 rating points in less than a year. Although this was only one of several books I studied, this one and Pawn Power were probably the most beneficial. I don't believe there is any one magical book that is the key to success, and a lot of it depends on an individual's style and personality. This book demands a lot of energy, but I feel it can be worth the time you'll have to put into it.

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