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Joe Gallagher : Starting Out: The Caro-Kann (Starting Out - Everyman Chess) before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Starting Out: The Caro-Kann (Starting Out - Everyman Chess):

0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Good Introduction to the Caro-Kann Defense By RL Bell This review is counter the misleading review by Farley of October 20, 2010. 23 of 25 people found the following review helpful. Excellent introduction to the Caro-Kann By Brian E. Mitchell This book is a good introduction to the Caro-Kann and addresses some of the complaints about earlier books in this series (ie: this book has an index of variations!). One drawback is the author is not a Caro-Kann player -- I have not decided if that is net good or net bad. On the positive side, it means he won't be cheerleading for either side, on the negative I think some enthusiasm may be lost. Like the

rest of the series, the writing is quite crisp, and the example games fairly appropriate. The format is the same as in the previous games in the series, although the sicilian book in the series has a 'strategy' subtitle for general strategy for white and black -- that's not to say this information is missing here, it is simply not provided for in it's own section at the end of each variation. One thing i'm not terribly fond of in this book is the statistics section -- I don't find it too useful, and anyone with a decent database can generate statistics rather easily (the author used chessbase). Overall, if you have looked at a general opening book, and decided the Caro-Kann is something you wish to play, this is an excellent first book. 16 of 20 people found the following review helpful. wrong choice of author By Farley A poor choice of author by Everyman. From the word go Gallagher makes it clear that he hates the Caro-Kann. "I don't play the opening with Black and I am a fully paid-up member of a club that doesn't believe in the Caro-Kann strategy." Throughout the book you sense the author is hating himself for having to hack it. He also presents games mostly won by white and tells you that he didn't show too many black wins because games won by black with this defense are boring and drawn-out. He even makes a compelling case for you NOT to use this defense by showing Kasparov losing with it. Need I say more?

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