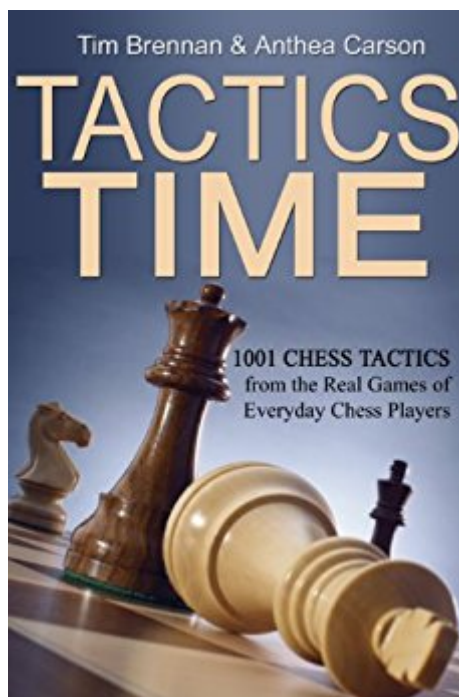




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# Tactics Time! 1001 Chess Tactics From The Games Of Everyday Chess Players (Tactics Time Chess Tactics Books)



## Synopsis

Warning: This book could help you improve your chess game significantly."Imagine having a personal chess mentor, who teaches you thorough problem solving skills for playing chess that drastically improves your game..." Wouldn't that be fantastic? It would also be extremely expensive! Learning the basic rules of playing chess is only the beginning. Although it is great to play games for entertainment, many chess players want to take their game to the next level. But that is not that easy. Just playing might improve your chess proficiency, but it does not improve your problem solving skills, as that requires different thinking processes. To develop those processes, you need strategies developed by chess experts. Here is your Chance! Meet Tim and Anthea. They know what it takes to bring chess to the next level, as they have done that for themselves. How? Through the use of chess tactics. And NOW... it is your turn! Let Tim and Anthea assist you in improving your chess game by using their specially developed Chess Tactics ebook. This is not just another tactics book, as Tim and Anthea have perfected their ebook by learning from the mistakes other chess authors made. The great part of Tactics Time! 1001 Chess Tactics from the Games of Everyday Chess Players is that: it is error FREE and double checked! it contains original tactics 100% new; it consists of tactics from real chess players. Many chess books have cool problems and patterns that really are rare and unrealistic, and not needed. Although these are fun to play, they are not really the best way to improve your chess game. That is why this book is different as Tim and Anthea want you to focus on getting good at playing patterns that happen all the time. But that is not all. Tim and Anthea have chosen to make their ebook very easy to read, leaving out unnecessary information or page fillers. You will see one chess problem per page, with the solution presented to you on the next page. No more need to skip back and forth through the whole book to find that brain wrecking solution. If the following applies to you... You want to improve your game to win; You want to enjoy chess tactics from real games; You are frustrated with other chess tactics books; You have a busy life and are looking for a quick and proven way to improve; You enjoy chess and want to teach chess tactics to others, ...then Tactics Time! 1001 Chess Tactics is definitely the right chess book for you. Buy Tactics Time! 1001 Chess Tactics from the Games of Everyday Chess Players today to improve your chess game one tactic at a time.

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## Customer Reviews

A couple months ago I started playing chess seriously. But! I wanted to take a whole new approach by studying some books to learn strategy, and openings. I came across this book and immediately bought the Kindle edition. Not only is it a fantastic price compared to other chess books. But like Tim says in the beginning of the book. (Not exact quote) "These tactics are from real games from average players like you and me. No grandmaster games, no computer generated games that have positions that you would more than likely never see in your lifetime." Not only is it true, but the helpfulness is out of this world. It trains you to seek the fastest wins, positional advantages, and those hidden gym moves that you would see in an everyday game. It took a while to apply what I learned. But when I did, I saw a 1,000 point jump in my rating. Thanks Tim! The only thing that would tempt me to give it four stars, is that when you try to play the game from the links provided after every problem, it isn't compatible with the Kindle Paperwhite. But the material and witty, sometimes hilarious explanations far outweigh that one small issue.

Why buy this over other tactics books? My top four reasons: 1. Real positions from amateur games. Unlike some tactics books, Tactics Time only pulls from real games by class-level players; no studies, no GM games. This makes the puzzles much more realistic. For example, one tactics book

I recently read had several Queen sacrifices that lead to mate. This rarely happens in real life; so why practice them? In real life, amateur positions are messy! The positions in Tactics Time are more likely to occur in your games.<sup>2</sup> Puzzles are not organized by theme. This makes the puzzles a little more challenging because you don't know exactly what you're looking for, but this is how tactics would occur in a real game situation. There will never be a little voice saying, "there's a discovered check that leads to mate in two moves". Consequently, you learn how to identify the elements of a tactic and understand when there is potential for a tactic (very important!). However, I must admit that books that organize tactics by theme have their place too. They should be studied first to learn the mechanics of each tactical theme prior to reading a book like Tactics Time for more practice. I would recommend "Winning Chess Tactics" by GM Yassir Seirawan for absolute beginners, "Back to Basics: Tactics" by NM Dan Heisman or "Chess Tactics for Champions" by GM Susan Polgar for those with a basic tactical knowledge or those who want more puzzles and less text.<sup>3</sup> The e-book format is pleasing to read and easy to use. Only one puzzle per page and solution is right on the next page. This eliminates flipping around the book and allows you to focus on the puzzle at hand.<sup>4</sup> Great value! 1001 puzzles for \$5. Its a steal.

This book is my kind of chess book. The authors give literally one thousand examples of real world chess games at the moment that a power shift should have happened but didn't. The key here is that I'm looking at real-world games. The tactics puzzles that I so often see are manufactured to show something or prove a point. Because these are taken from real games, from players ranked as high as the 2000s they are created from situations that I often face. I'm popping this book open on my kindle whenever I had a spare minute. It's perfect on the subway or waiting in at the grocer. The solution is on the next page so my eyes can't drift to the answer. That's the beauty of an ebook and the authors have used the format to its best effect. If it was paper, it would be 9,400 pages! One of the greatest features is the search. If I want to see all the puzzles that involve a knight taking a piece, I just had to search for "Nx" and I had every single example. I'm not close to finished but wanted to recognize and recommend a detailed and thorough book.

This book lives up to its advertisement! In the Foreword, the co-author, Anthea Carson, suggests studying just 10 minutes a day with these tactics for 30 days to see how your tactical ability has improved. My tactical ability lags far behind the rest of my game (my biggest problem is difficulties in spatial abilities). On chess.com, I am a Class E player, but my tactical ability was much lower. After 30 days, my tactical rating improved from 741 to 789, and I won some tournament games against

players who had ratings approaching 1200. One thing that I think helps in the presentation of the book is that the puzzles are presented from the perspective of the player who is to move (i.e., a8 is in the lower right-hand corner when White is moving, and h1 is when black is moving). I have only worked through about 140 of the problems so far, and I have done other reading at the same time, but this book has helped my tactical understanding the most. If you keep missing Mate in One or leave major pieces hanging, this is a great tool to help correct those problems!

Before writing this review my husband went through all 1001 problems . Had he only gone through the first 100 problems , he would not have given it five stars because the problems were just too easy . keep going cause it gets better . if you find a move that you think solves the problem , take a few seconds to look for a better move . it might be mate ! These are the kinds of tactics you will find in your games . they are not real hard but some are tricky . they got my husband a few times and he has studied thousands of tactical problems from other books and he lives for chess . but these are better as they are from real games . many of the problems were missed by players rated over 2000 which they should have seen . main thing is they are fun and it will help your game . He usually does 25 problems in a sitting . took two weeks . He's now working through tactics time 2 . He's using an ipad . when the problem comes up He pokes the diagram twice and it fills the whole page covering the answer . great great book ! He doesn't know Tim , but He hopes he'll makes more of these books ! He's using kindle . great price !

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