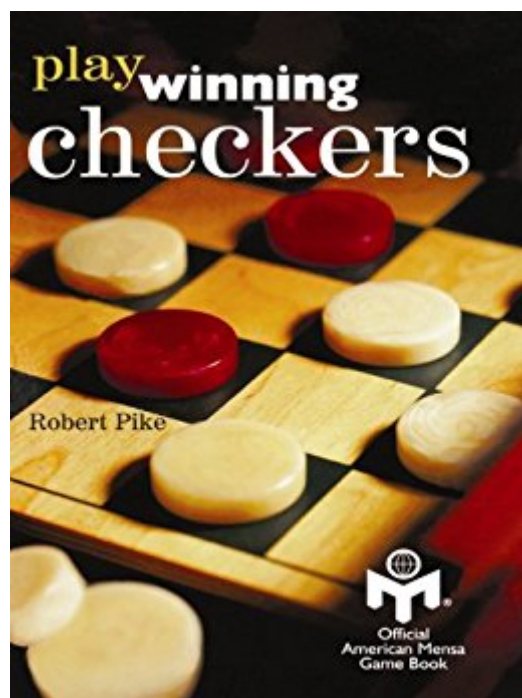




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# Play Winning Checkers: Official Mensa Game Book (w/registered Icon/trademark As Shown On The Front Cover) (Play Winning Checkers/Draughts 1)



## Synopsis

A 128 page instructional book with 78 explanatory Checkerboard Diagrams that covers rules, strategy, tactics, tournaments, problems with solutions, classic positions, variations on the Standard American Game, computer game sites, educational & historical perspectives along with organizational information. Data on Mensa and the author are also included.

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## Customer Reviews

This is NOT a book for beginners, even though it says it is. There is no real instruction that even begins to tell you what to do. Instead there are problems. You are shown a position and then asked what is the best move. As an example the VERY FIRST PROBLEM in the book shows a beginning position and then asks what your best move is. The answer is that you are to give up a double jump and then when that is over to give up yet another free jump to your opponent. How on earth would a beginner know this? It also doesn't really explain anything. It just shows what somebody who is already a great player MIGHT do. If you are a beginner this is NOT the book for you.

Among other things, this book takes a well-considered swipe at checkers' image. Images of rustics

at the feedstore or of children playing checkers (draughts) do not stand up against images of elegant knights playing chess in some drafty castle. Chess's image is sophisticated; checkers' image is rough-hewn, homespun, simpletonish. Some payers have excelled in both. Granted checker's moves are simpler and easy to learn, but playing it well is anything but. Would critics of its simplicity direct such a critique equally to go moku or wei qi? (Different games with the same board and players.) If they know what those game are, they also know better. This book will make a conscientious reader a devastating player.

The following two paperback books: Play Winning Checkers by Robert W. Pike and Win At Checkers by Millard Hopper really helped me win at the game of checkers. Prior to reading both books, my neighbor would win the majority of checkers games we played together. After reading and digesting the material within these books, my checkers improved to the extent that my neighbor continued to lose most every game we played and therefore, he is no longer willing to compete.

great book. some nice puzzles, not too tough for younger readers. Pike's love of the game comes through and makes it an even more enjoyable read. covers all the intro info a player needs and then touches on some good strategy and things to keep in mind for more experienced players. tons of great diagrams, this sets the book apart from several other checker books i think. recommended!

This Book about Play Winning Checkers: Official Mensa Game Book, is a great learning tool for the new and experienced checkers player. +++++

Looks As A Good Book ~ I Have Not Read Any Of it Yet

This is not a primer on how to play checkers. What its main goal is to teach you to think out your moves to advance your game. I cant say it will make you a champion, but if you follow the authors guidelines you will develop into a better player.

I just wanted some basic info on how to play this game well, and this book provides it.

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