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1 of 3 people found the following review helpful. Great seller!By ZardozThe purchased book was in new condition, good packaging, and fast shipping. Great seller!5 of 5 people found the following review helpful. Good repertoire for open Sicilians - for advanced playersBy A CustomerThis book is probably most useful for players with ELO ratings above 1700. When I was a Class C player I had a difficult time understanding the Sicilian defence. Black neglects development, and plays a move that immediately weakens d5. Nevertheless I found that a lot of my losses were indeed to Sicilians. This book helped considerably to fill the void in my knowledge. Nunn gives an overview of each major variation (including some lesser played sidelines) and indicates the corresponding plans for White and Black. He backs up this discussion with game examples as well as some fairly deep analysis. The book is not perfect. By trying to cover all major variations in one book, Nunn obviously sacrifices depth of analysis in some lines. For example the chapter on the Dragon variation could have used more depth. On the other hand, the Dragon variation alone has been the topic of entire books, so one can't fault Nunn entirely here. Nunn's writing style is clear and concise and for the most part his analysis is objective. The book is easy to navigate and the binding is fairly sturdy. The main benefit of studying this book is that one builds confidence in meeting the Sicilian defence. Although detailed analysis is given, inevitably the book will miss some lines that the player will encounter. Thus, the ideas behind the variations and the

confidence to play the open sicilian are what I really gleaned from this book. A good effort by Nunn. Not for beginners though. Additionally, the 3rd edition is out so I'm hoping that the third is as good as the 2nd. 5 of 11 people found the following review helpful. Is Nunn a real person or a computer? By A Customer This book is the worst of John Nunn. He can churn stuff out that is dry as sawdust. Perhaps the ultimate chess geeks can appreciate this. But I swear a computer could be writing this book. I have tried and tried again to read his books and they bore me into such a stupor that I contemplate giving up chess. On the other hand, this guy is a genius for getting GAMBIT up and running, and his Understanding Chess Move by Move is actually written by a human being! Having said all that, you should realize that I am not commenting at all on the substantive merits of this book--I am just saying, it is strictly technical stuff for hardcore chess geeks. There is NO personality here.

The Sicilian Defence is Black's most popular reply to 1e4 and players of the white pieces need to know how to win against it. The author provides a complete armoury of aggressive lines that take into account recent developments and which will defeat the antidotes that Black developed recently.