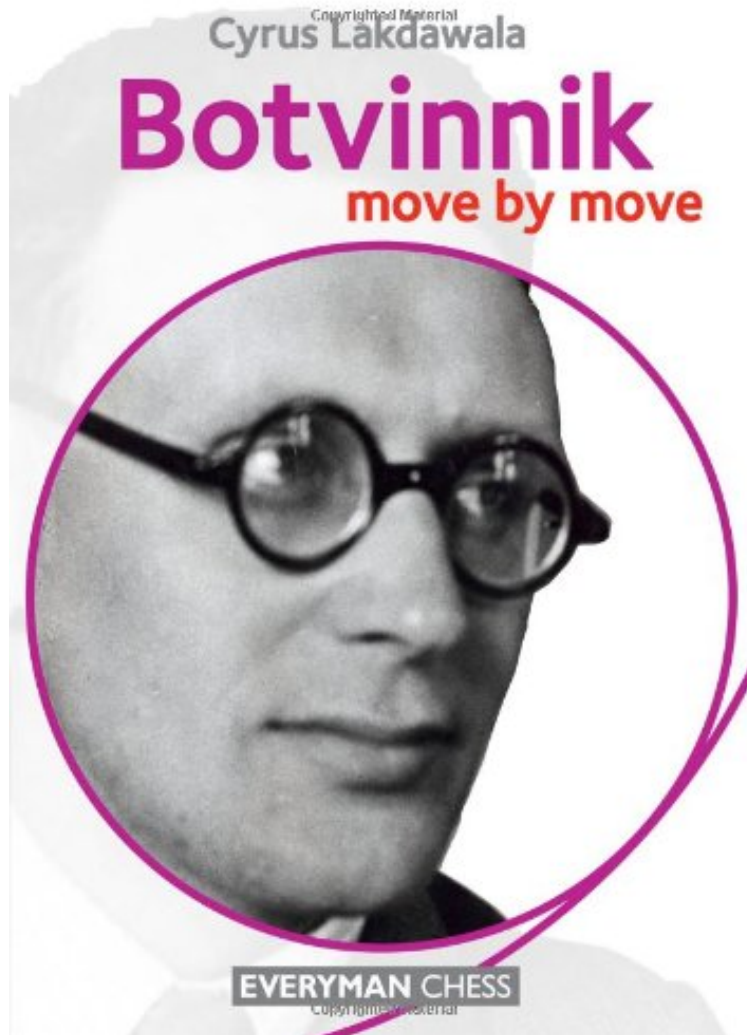


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16 of 19 people found the following review helpful. A Collection of Botvinnik's Games By King Kong This is my second review of a group of move-by-move books from the Everyman Chess Move by Move series. My review of Capablanca Move by Move appears elsewhere. I didn't like this book as much as the Capablanca book, perhaps because the games are more complex, and for a supposed move-by-move book the annotations are rather sparse. At one point, I counted 8 moves go by without a note. (Moves, not ply, moves!) And then when we finally did get a note, it told us that Botvinnik was preparing to push a passed pawn, which was obvious. In addition, the notes tend too often

towards the "poetic" side rather than being informative. It's a satisfactory collection of Botvinnik's games, but move-by-move it definitely is not. 22 of 29 people found the following review helpful. Good to have if you have an interest in chess. A must for the Botvinnik fan. By John Kato I got the Kindle version. For this series, that format is very useful. As Kindle users know, the books should be read sequentially. One page followed by the next page. Unlike some of the tournament or game collection books I have owned, this book is most profitably read with a purely sequential manner. For the book itself, the content is superb. I believe Cyrus Lakdawala is one of the best authors out there. This effort is both substantive and enjoyable. Having gone through some of the tournament games, I believe I have knocked off a bit of rust. The path to improvement for many players is the love of study. The content will reward the study with some improvement of play. But in this case the study is quite enjoyable. More so if the player enjoys looking at difficult positions—something Botvinnik also enjoyed. I highly recommend this book for all players at all strengths. 7 of 9 people found the following review helpful. Very informative. By Nimzo-Karpov Excellent book. The book investigates 60 games. The games are broken down into the following informative areas: Attack; Defense; Dynamic Elements; Exploiting Imbalances; Accumulating advantages and Endgames. My only gripe, which has been mentioned by most reviewers is that Lakdawala is like the high school nerd who thinks he's funny. It's very distracting. For example: "Blacks confused defenders stumble about, disoriented. His pieces receive a memorandum from the bank, warning of a lack of funds in his account and imminent foreclosure to all properties. They find themselves surrounded by screaming creditors and conniving litigants. (pg. 158). The comments add very little to the informative analysis.