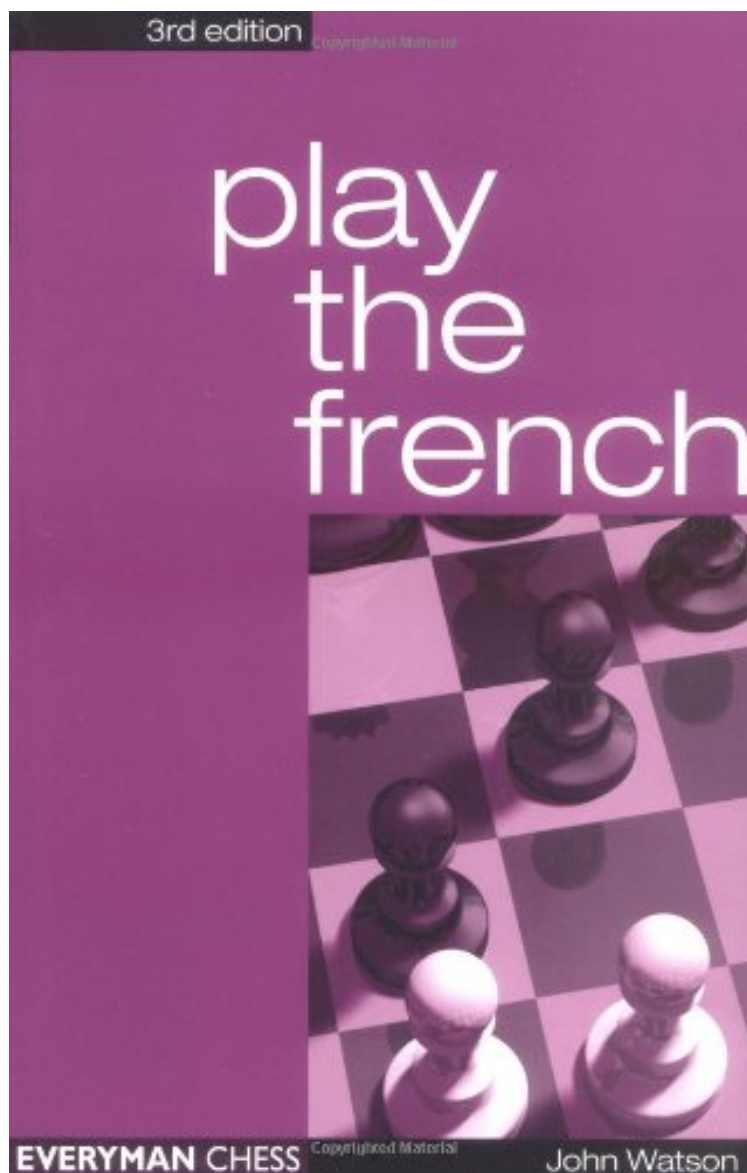


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latest 4th edition of "Play the French Defence" is probably his greatest work on that particular opening so far, and over 400 pages long. He gives all the latest trends for both white and black, with lots of diagrams and illustrative games to show clearly the plans and objectives of each variation, and includes many original ideas of his own, all of which he double checked with a powerful engine to make certain they are sound. (Most opening book authors don't do this since it is laborious and time consuming). He includes many fresh ideas and improvements over his last 2 editions, and even advocates the MacCutcheon variation with lots of new ideas for both white and black. No author understands the French Defence better than John Watson and this 4th edition has got to be an all time classic. A must have for club players, and fascinating for chess students, outlining plans and objectives in closed as well as open positions. 1 of 1 people found the following review helpful. Many options to choose from, the best book on the French! By Customer This book is known for being the best book on the French available. It is a good book, and it is probably nearly essential for French players to have this book. This book is a repertoire book, and does not tend to give complete games, rather it just goes forward move by move. One thing unique about this book is the wide amount of variations it covers. It will offer many ways to play against virtually every system as Black, meaning that you will not need to know how to play anything else against e4, just this, as if one line has been prepared for you have at least 2 or 3 other options, not to mention all of the sub-variations. This book is extremely dense, and while it is definitely way too much to memorize, is a perfect opening manual for the French. Probably the main problem with the book is that it is quite optimistic about Black's chances, which makes sense, but it might evaluate a position as equal when in reality an engine or even a human would prefer White most of the time. Still, it deserves 5 stars, Watson must have put a lot of time in this book, and players playing against the French will have a lot of variations to attempt to refute, as there are so many options! 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. Best Opening book I've read By Ahmad Amazing book, I opted to purchase the 3rd edition over the 4th edition because this edition is a bargain, however the material and lines in the book are gold. I studied the French years ago while watching Ari Ziegler's French DVD... and this book by Watson covers the same lines, albeit I prefer how Watson teaches the Winawer -- which gives sharper play than the classical NF6. The book covers the Exchange, Advanced, Tarrasch, Winawer, and some offbeat stuff. For the club and casual player, I highly recommend the French -- and Watson does a great job at explaining. Watson goes into enough detail and offers enough variations to keep you coming back, but all in all a great book. I don't know what the latest edition has to offer over this third edition, because all the main stuff is covered in this edition that's \$20 cheaper.

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