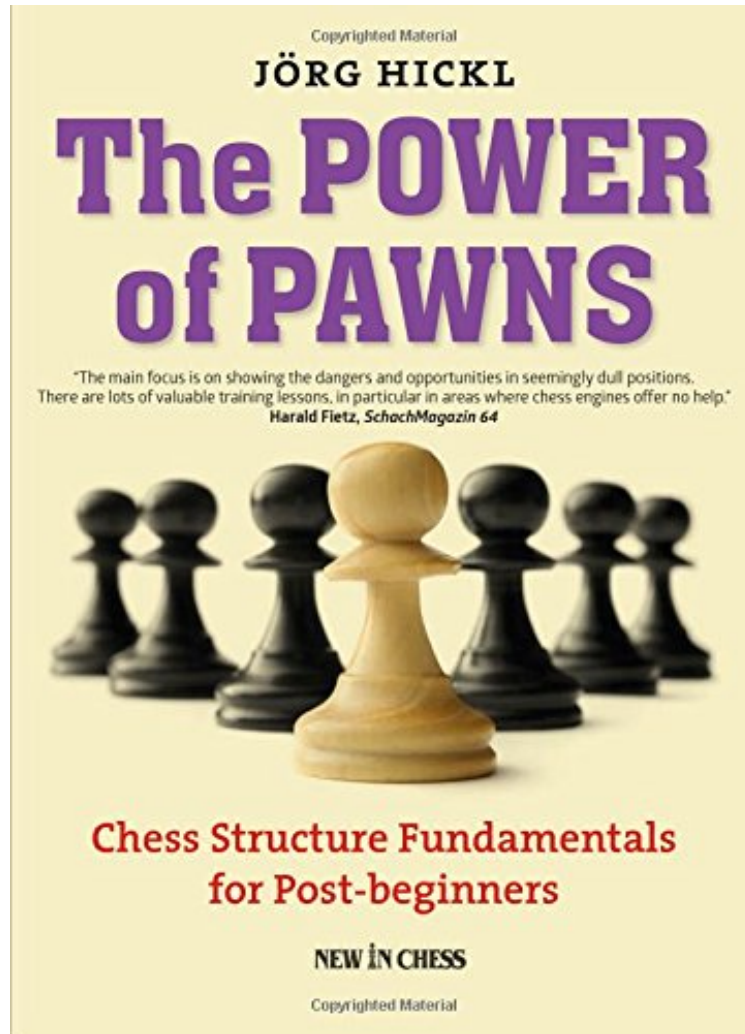


# The Power of Pawns: Chess Structure Fundamentals for Post-beginners

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If you want to improve at chess, you must know the characteristics of typical pawn formations. Understanding the pawn structure is a key tool when you are evaluating a position on the board. One simple pawn move can ruin your position or win the game. Post-beginners should know the basic essentials of chess structures and that is what this modern training manual focuses on. Experienced chess teacher Grandmaster Jrg Hickl helps you to recognize the important characteristics of pawn structures, learn how you can and should develop your pieces, identify how you can improve your position and develop a plan of action. This book provides common sense guidance and Jrg Hickl uses practical examples to explain typical structures, strategies and plans. His tips and exercises are both highly enjoyable and to the point.

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"Jorg Hickl's explanations are always very to the point and written in an entertaining way, which keeps the reader motivated to continue." (Dirk Schuh, International Master Rochade Europa Magazine)  
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