

## CHILDREN'S BOOK

### CHESSE *A BEGINNER'S GUIDE*

Stefan Kindermann (text)  
Anne Franke (illustrations)

#### SPECIFICATIONS

Format: 21 x 27 cm  
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#### SYNOPSIS

This book helps children aged eight and over easily learn how to play the 'game of kings'. Step by step, it explains the basic principles of chess for beginners. The different chess pieces are introduced, along with their key moves, and strategic and tactical hints and tips. Entertaining puzzles allow readers to test their understanding, while small tasks help consolidate what has been learned.

But Stefan Kindermann does more than discuss techniques and rules. He also shares exciting facts and figures about the history of chess, which dates back over a thousand years. For example, who invented the game? Where do the pieces come from? How did people used to play chess? Anne Franke's illustrations are so charming and full of character that young readers are virtually transported right down onto the chess board into the midst of an exciting chess match.

This all makes for a children's book that is both entertaining and informative, and one which will appeal to beginners and more experienced players alike.

#### ABOUT THE AUTHOR

STEFAN KINDERMANN is an international Grand Master of chess. In 2005 he founded Western Europe's first Chess Academy in Munich, where both children and adults can learn to play chess, and meet players of a similar standard.

Stefan Kindermann has published several books, and *Chess* is his first children's book.

#### ABOUT THE ILLUSTRATOR

ANNE FRANKE is a painter, graphic artist, and illustrator. She has received numerous awards for her work, and has illustrated several children's books.

#### POINTS OF SALE

- **This informative and entertaining book helps children easily learn to play chess**
- **Chess is growing in popularity and has been proved to stimulate thought processes and the memory**
- **The many puzzles and tasks encourage readers to get involved. Parents and children can learn together**