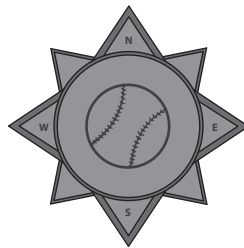


LEARN TO PLAY CHESS

Chess has been a classic game for centuries, pitting some of the greatest minds across the world against each other. Most households in this day and age probably have a chess set. Alternatively, you can play online or via a free app on a phone or tablet. Many of these electronic options will also include tutorials.

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EARN THIS NUGGET

You must play ten games and understand the concept of castling as well as check and checkmate. You are allowed an extra level of smugness if you are able to win a game.

LEVEL H

PERIOD 2

TASK 2

In this short lesson, it would be impossible for me to scratch the surface on chess, it is the ultimate strategy game that everyone should have at least a cursory knowledge of. Setting the board, first board orientation, each player should have a white square at their bottom right hand side. So as you are sitting with the board before you, the white square should be closest to you and to your right. Rear rank, rooks (Castles) go on the outside, knights (horse) are next Then bishops on either side of the rank. The queen always goes on her own matching color, and the king in the final space. The next rank are all pawns.

* Pawns move one space forward, never backwards (two for their opening move) and take an opponent's piece diagonally 1 space (You take a piece by occupying the space that it is on, not by jumping it as you do in Checkers).

* Rooks move forward and backwards and left and right as many spaces as you desire.

* Knights move two horizontal and one vertical, or vice versa, and are the only piece that can jump over other pieces.

* Bishops move diagonally an unlimited number of spaces.

* The queen, arguably the single most powerful piece moves unlimited diagonal or horizontal/vertical.

* The king can move the same direction as the queen, but only one space.

In short the object is to get the opponents king into "Check Mate" Check is where you can take the king on your next move, Check mate is the same, but where the king has no opportunity to remedy the situation. You never actually take the king.

There are a few more advanced rules, but this will get you started if you have not had any exposure up until now. Chess will improve your thinking and strategizing unlike any video game in existence.

