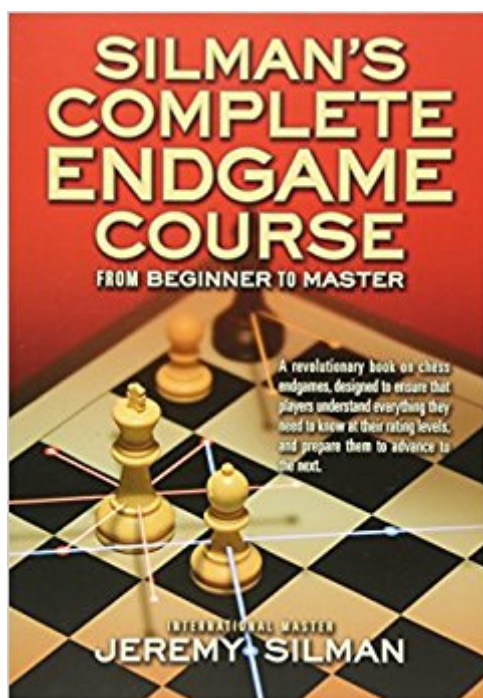


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# Silman's Complete Endgame Course: From Beginner To Master



## Synopsis

For over 100 years, the world's leading chess players and teachers have told their students to study the endgame. This book teaches the students what they need to know at their current rating level, and builds on that knowledge for each subsequent phase of the player's development.

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## Customer Reviews

International Master Jeremy Silman has a rare talent of seeing chess not only from his perspective, but also from the point of view of a club player. Because of that, I always recommend Jeremy's books to my students and get very positive feedback from them. Now I know what I'll recommend for their endgame work! --Alexander Baburin, International Grandmaster Superb and highly instructive--an excellent learning tool for both the novice and expert alike. --Pal Benko, International Grandmaster One of the best endgame books I've ever seen. The idea to divide material according to rating group is great! --Gregory Kaidanov, International Grandmaster

Jeremy Silman is an International Master and a world-class teacher, writer, and player who has won the American Open, the National Open, and the U.S. Open. Considered by many to be the game's preeminent instructive writer, he is the author of over thirty-six popular books, including *How to Reassess Your Chess* (universally accepted as a modern classic), *The Amateur's Mind*, *The Complete Book of Chess Strategy*, and *The Reassess your Chess Workbook*. fans of the game instruction, book reviews, theoretical articles, and details of his work in the creation of the chess scene in the movie *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone*.

It is a good book on chess endgame. But my five star are due to the following: it is not boring!

I have become very interested in learning about chess over the past year and have been very impressed by this book's ability to teach end game techniques at many different levels. I would highly recommend this to anyone serious about improving their game.

If you want confidence going into the endgame, then Silman's Complete Endgame Course is for you. I was an 1800 player when I began reading this book. I have read through to the end of section 6 titled "Endgames for class A players

Firstly, let's clarify something. I have a FIDE rating of 1760. I'm the kind of player who LOVES endgames, although I'm not extremely accurate when it comes to "winning a winning position." I knew little theory about endgames before reading this book. After I finished the Class A part, I told myself: "It's enough for now. I'll definitely come back to this after I increase 100 points!" Silman's work is wonderful. Not only is he showing clear examples and explaining in natural language, but he is also very good in devising memorable endgame names. If you want to learn about "The Fox in the Chicken Coup", this is definitely THE BOOK. I wholeheartedly recommend this book to any chess player who wants to boost his endgame technique. You'll definitely see an increase in your win percentage! PS: Endgames are so important because they don't have countless "branches". An inaccurate move can turn your winning position into a dead draw. That's why it's important to be PRECISE until you deliver that checkmate!

I already had some endgame literature, from some easy stuff to Dvoretsky's Endgame Manual, but I hadn't found, until now, a book that was of some use to my son, which is learning to play the game and also could serve him in the future as he progresses and also myself, as I try to improve. And the material is presented in a way that is new to me and very useful. I have devoted some time (not much, I have to admit) trying to master B+N+K vs K ending (without success) and now I realise that it wasn't probably worth the effort, while I totally failed to study other material that could have been more useful. I also studied some stuff in a very different order to the one used in the book, resulting in me studying things with great effort 'cos they were based in things I should have known already but I didn't, having to go back and learn those first. I hope this book saves a lot of wasted effort to my son as he improves, and also fills some gaps I certainly have in my endgame knowledge. Perhaps

one day I will be even capable of dusting off Dvoretsky's book and understand at least part of it ;-)  
Did I say I love this book already? Well, I really do. Hey, son, let's master the R+K vs K checkmate, okay? He's just 6 now, and learning fast, but just started playing like 3 months ago. So, please, if anyone know of some material that is similarly laid out to this book but dealing with easy opening concepts and, most importantly, with tactical patterns, I'd love to know about it. For now I'm relying in the courses in an old copy of Chessmaster 9000, which are quite good, by the way. So, stop reading and go buy this book already. Silman, keep it going. I already have How to reassess your chess and I also love it, but it is of no use yet to my son.

Its a great book, i think its lacking in a bit of repetitive schema for say the 1200 to 1600 crowd, which I recommend pandofini's endgame book to start if you have never read or studied the endgame, then go completely through this book (I know that's now how its set up, but if you have the time) after you go through this book in its entirety there is only one more endgame book you need and that is Dvoretsky's endgame manual. With these three books you will be well on your way to mastery. I don't remember this other book but its the one that says 100 endgame patterns you must know, that is a great supplement study book to these.

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Very good book!

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