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hold up but you can say that about any chess book. This one will at least get you started with a solid line of a defense that has some chance of scoring points not just from surprise but from the sturdiness of the opening. The anti-sicilian defenses are covered with good variations as well... all in all a good starter book for anyone needing a mainline defense that will give you some fighting chances as black.5 of 7 people found the following review helpful. Great Sicilian Opening book for BlackBy RealreviewerThis is a great book that can be used a number of ways in building a repertoire. The main objective I believe is that most buyers want a playable opening that they can use over the long term that's solid and easy to learn. This book uses the Sicilian Four Knights as your main defense to E4. As a bonus it also covers Black responses to White's variations to avoid the Sicilian main lines, such as the Grand Prix, Alapan etc. The Four knights is very solid, without the complexity of the Dragon or Najdorf. It's a very forgiving defense with clear strategic plans and the ability to swap off material to simplify the game. No less a player than Kramnik has played it over 25 times at the highest level. One word of advice I came upon the Four Knights after using the Positional opening repertoire book by Gufeld. For me this book by Raetsky gives me more depth to the Gufeld book which I highly recommend (Gufeld's book also covers a repertoire for white using E4 and Black using KID). Raetsky's book also covers the lines where white tries to avoid the Sicilian in great depth. Therefore I believe it would be advantageous to use the Gufeld book or similar first to get a good feel for the Four Knights without getting overwhelmed by the depth of variations given by Raetsky. This book provides you with a first class response to E4 and anything that white throws at you thereafter. With the advantage of you (as black) choosing the variation rather than White, you should be more familiar with the themes/ideas of the opening which should at least give you a psychological advantage.7 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Great opening, great bookBy RandyBravo Alex Raetsky! Before this book, I had not even heard about this under-rated opening called the Four Knights Sicilian. Since I have started using it, my black score has improved a great deal. I haven't strayed into other black replies to 1.e4 since, because I love this opening so much. The Four Knights suit an aggressive positional player like me, who doesn't like to really get into the mating races that often happens in other sicilian defences. Another good thing about this opening is it has a basic theme running through it even when treating the c3 sic, closed sic, etc... The only reservation I can give is that if you're a beginner this book will probably be over your head (lots of lines and variations), but if you're an intermediate to advanced player like myself go for it! I promise you will not regret it. While you're at it get the "meeting 1.d4" book too, it is great too but not as great :).

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