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### Editorial Review

#### Review

The book is really excellent. Not only is the analysis up to date but also the presentation is right to the point and very readable. Not many long variations but verbal explanations. Just the way opening books should be in the modern computer times. (Karsten Muller, author of 'Bobby Fisher, The Career and Complete Games')

There is a huge amount of theory in this book, but Bologan presents it in a lively manner and explains things simply and well. One way that Bologan has been able to cover so many openings in a little over 500 pages is to adopt a modified approach. The author does not cite game references in the main body of the text but gives footnotes. The full game citations can be found in the back of the book. The advantages are clear - it saves space and it makes for a clearer presentation. I give this book a strong recommendation for players of a wide range of playing strengths from the club level (who will love the gambit coverage) to grandmasters who will appreciate the in-depth coverage of the Scotch. (John Donaldson, International master, International Master *Chess Today*)

The solid Bologan quality we are used to. I am a big fan of his books. (Simen Agdestein, Grandmaster, six-time Norwegian Champion and former trainer of Magnus Carlsen)

A 28-page Arsenal of Strategic Ideas is essential reading, setting the whole repertoire in context as regards pawn structures and important themes. This is a very impressive book indeed and one which benefits greatly from the extra care and attention devoted on it from the design team. (Sean Marsh *CHESS Magazine*)

The Arsenal of Strategic Ideas and Themes is such a great idea. It's worth reading through as it stimulates one's thinking about positional themes even in the most romantic of opening sequences. It's jammed-packed full of great stuff. (Grandmaster Glenn Flear, author of Starting Out: Open Games)

Bologan's opening guide for Black is the most original in content, the best-organized, and the most user-friendly of any opening book I've seen in years. It is cutting edge, up-to-date, relevant, and bursting at the spine with content spanning 57 chapters in 528 pages. You get inside the head of a grandmaster who obviously loves keeping pace with modern theory and practice. Yet we don't get the sense that computers dominate his approach. I give *Bologan's Black Weapons* my highest recommendation. It is easily the most enjoyable book I've reviewed in years. (John D. Warth, This title is destined to be a classic... *Chess Club of Southern Indiana*)

A real gambit-killer. Ambitious club-players who are looking for a reliable weapon against 1.e4 after playing 1.e5, can hardly leave this book unopened.

Full of surprising ideas, in all sorts of variations. (Richard Vedder, FIDE Master, Netherlands *Schakers.info*)

Although this book is mainly aimed at club players, even GM's could fall victim to the tricks and traps that are being shown in quite a few openings. Despite the many variation the book reads quite well. (B. Wilders, Netherlands Dagblad *The Journal Of Religion*)

I have verified that this book is up-to-date on the latest theory, and yet the author has injected many of his own ideas. If you play with Black 1...e5 after 1.e4, you simply cannot ignore this theory work which

announces a new era. (Martin Rieger *Schachwelt*)

From the Back Cover

**Victor Bologan** is a world-class grandmaster. His tournament victories included the Aeroflot Open in Moscow and the Dortmund super-tournament. He is the author of acclaimed opening books like *The Chebanenko Slav*, *The Rossolimo Sicilian*, and *The Powerful Catalan*.

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