

## 4 Book Lectures by IM Silas Esben Lund

Each of these 4 classes will present one of my books for Quality Chess. I will show the key concepts, but with brand new material. Sign up for only \$75 for 8 hours of chess training!

In addition, by signing up to this program you can purchase all of my 4 books with a 25% discount! (shipping fees still apply).

**Format:** In all book lectures, there will be 1 hour of presentation, then ½ hour with puzzle solving, followed by the last ½ hour with feedback on the puzzles.

The puzzles for this class, plus the *Zoom* Meeting link, will be emailed out to the participants shortly before the class. Afterwards, I will follow up by sending out a raw database of the material used in the class.

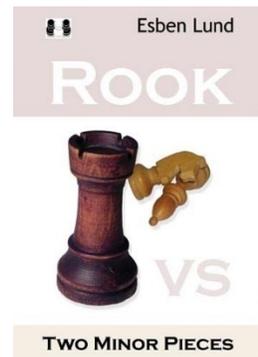
All classes are recorded, in case the participants cannot make to one Tuesday.

### Tuesday, August 18 at 7-9pm (ET).

Class 1: *Rook vs. Two Minor Pieces* (Quality Chess, 2005)

Discount book price: **\$45** (only 3 copies left)

“The material imbalance that is the subject of this book may seem a narrow topic, but the lessons to be learned here apply to all areas of chess: those who study this book will improve their general feeling for the pieces and their interrelation. Lund starts by building a theoretical foundation, comparing various theoreticians’ methods of assessing positions with a rook versus two minor pieces. Later, in a rich exercise section, these concepts are tested in practice. This book has an unusual approach to the idea of "practical examples" as the examples often start in the opening, then consider the transformation from the opening to the middlegame, and later to the endgame: this provides the reader with a much deeper level of understanding than conventional methods.”

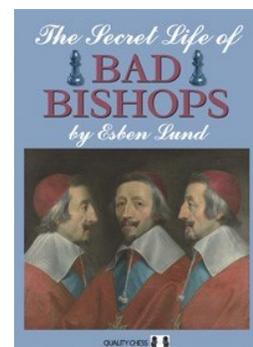


### Tuesday, August 25 at 7-9pm (ET).

Class 2: *The Secret Life of Bad Bishops* (Quality Chess, 2014)

Discount book price: **\$15**

“The Bad Bishop is a notorious villain in chess, but often a perfectly respectable bishop is falsely accused. **The Secret Life of Bad Bishops** takes an in-depth look at the bishop – not just dealing with good and bad bishops but also more nuanced cases where a “double-edged bishop” could turn out to be a game-winning hero or a fatal liability. All phases of chess are covered, from opening to middlegame to endgame. The final two chapters test the reader’s newly enhanced understanding with carefully chosen exercises and instructive solutions.”



**Tuesday, September 1 at 7-9pm (ET).**

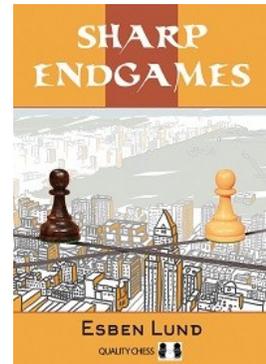
Class 3: *Sharp Endgames* (Quality Chess, 2017)

Discount book price: **\$19**

“Endgames often give rise to the most difficult and pivotal moments of a chess game. In **Sharp Endgames**, International Master Esben Lund tackles this crucial topic in a unique and innovative way, focusing on the 16 Parameters involved in this type of decision-making.

The book contains more than a hundred carefully chosen exercises, with solutions linked to the 16 Parameters. The feedback is concrete and gives the player a clear way to improve his or her understanding and skill. The exercises can be played out against a partner or engine; the book even contains a step-by-step guide explaining how to configure a chess engine for this purpose.

“Esben Lund has issued you a challenge: invest time and effort in this book, and your chess results are going to improve – no matter your current level. The question is: are you ready to accept the challenge? I strongly encourage you to accept – you will not regret it.” – From the Foreword by GM Lars Bo Hansen.”



**Tuesday, September 8 at 7-9pm (ET).**

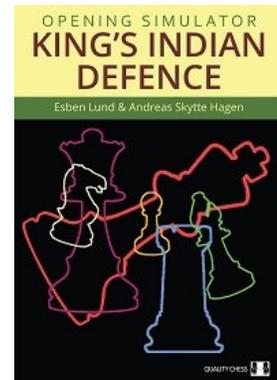
Class 4: *Opening Simulator – King's Indian Defence* (Quality Chess, 2019)

Discount book price: **\$26/\$22** (Hardcover/Paperback)

“The King’s Indian Defence is a popular opening at all levels. Fischer, Kasparov, Bronstein, Nunn, Radjabov and Nakamura are just a few of the many leading GMs who have played it successfully.

**Opening Simulator** is a new and innovative approach to studying the opening, based on the Deliberate Practice concept. Rather than presenting moves and variations, the authors offer a 'read, solve and play' approach which is designed to replicate a real game more closely than other opening books. First, a thorough Introduction discusses the main variations, pawn structures and themes. Then, after working through the 400 carefully chosen exercises, the reader will benefit from enhanced tactical and problem-solving ability.

Unlike a normal puzzle book, the exercises all stem from the King’s Indian, making this book the ideal resource for King’s Indian players of all abilities to hone their skills.”



**General Information:**

**Dates:** Tuesdays on August 18-25 & September 1-8, 2020.

**Time:** Evenings at 7-9pm (Eastern Time).

**Rating level:** Approximately 1600-2200. Ambitious players or players on their way up might want to join.

**Pricing:** \$75 for all 4 classes.

**Discount:** If you are already participant in another of my online programs, you can sign up for only \$65. I currently have 3 ongoing online programs.

**Payment:** Visit our online shop at <https://silasesbenlund.com/online-chess-classes-shop/> By paying the fee, you automatically sign up.

**Questions?** Send an email to [silas.lund@gmail.com](mailto:silas.lund@gmail.com)

**About me**

An International Master and 7-time chess author, I settled in New York in 2017 and currently work full time with chess as a trainer, writer and blogger on **silasesbenlund.com**. My 4 books for Quality Chess are presented in this online program. It is my trademark style to always have handouts for the students during class.

In 2018, my wife Lu and I launched SILU Game Products LLC with a variety of products, most notably our math game *Equation Gamble* and the *2020 Chess Calendar*. Our products can be found on our Amazon Store. The chess calendar has 366 positions, one for each day of the year, with solutions the next day. A Chess Calendar for 2021 will be available from September 2020.

For more information about my 4 books, go to my blog:

<https://silasesbenlund.com/rook-versus-two-minor-pieces/>

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<https://silasesbenlund.com/sharp-endgames/>

<https://silasesbenlund.com/opening-simulator-kings-indian/>

Read an in-depth interview with Danish IM Andreas Skytte Hagen (co-author of Opening Simulator and long-standing training partner):

<https://silasesbenlund.com/andreas-skytte-hagen/>

Check out my 3 online programs *Endgame Studies*, *Interesting Endgames* and *Complex Middlegames*: <https://silasesbenlund.com/online-chess-classes>