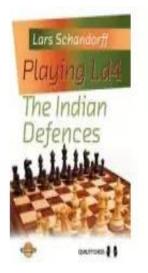
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The repertoire is completed by Playing 1.d4 - The Queen's Gambit.

Lars Schandorff is a Danish Grandmaster who is renowned for his deep opening preparation.

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"It is a very good book that presents a viable high-level repertoire for White. A repertoire that lets White take charge from the beginning, with the intention of preventing Black from taking the initiative and attacking."

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Uwe Bekemann, www.bdf-fernschachbund.de

"You guys did a wonderful job on this book, like I said before on a previous post that I thought when the lines were being guessed that they were going to be more positional in nature as compared to Playing 1.d4 the Queens Gambit, but I sure was happy when I read through the book and took a deeper look at the variations chosen, In the Nimzo I thought e3 was to positional for my taste but love it now, looking at ideas like Qf3 followed by g4! in some lines very exciting, and the Samisch, Wow! Like Lars' said in the intro the one most likely to be attacking on the kingside in white! Great lines, very exciting chess. The Benko line I did not know at all before the book but I am a big fan now, these games can get crazy with white sacking a piece in one of the main lines, with great play and losts of dynamic features to the positions. And a treat to get both an early e5 game and the more positional Be2 against the Hungarian variation against the Grunfeld. These two books make up an awsome white rep!!!"

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