

Wallingford Scholastic Chess Club

Checklist for keeping track of Chess Thinking Belts

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White Belt:

Date completed ____
Parent/Coach Initials ____
The Board and the Pieces ____
The Rook Move ____
The Bishop Move ____
The Queen Move ____
The King Move ____
The Knight Move ____
The Pawn Move ____

Yellow Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
Check and Checkmate ____
Typical Checkmates ____
Stalemate ____
Castling ____
Pawn Promotion ____
En Passant ____
Other Ways to Win and Draw ____

Orange Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
The Names of the Squares
The Values of the Pieces
Looking for Captures
Attacks, Defenses and Threats
Looking for Checkmates
Basic Opening Principles
The Two Rooks Checkmate

Green Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
More About Notation ____
Scholar's Mate Part 1 ____
Scholar's Mate Part 2 ____
Further Opening ____
Principles Learning About Forks ____
Learning About Pins and Skewers ____
The King and Queen Checkmate ____

Purple Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____

The Fatal Diagonal ____

The Black Queen's Walkabout ____
Your First Openings ____
Queen Forks ____
Back Rank Mates ____
Discovered Attacks ____
The King and Rook Checkmate ____

Blue Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
The Double Freddie ____
Explosion on f7 ____
The Italian Game ____
The Fork Trick ____
The Two Knights Defense ____
The Fork Trick ____
Pawn Endings 1 ____

Red Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
The Ruy Lopez ____
The Castled King ____
Pawn Endings 2 ____
Pawn Formations ____
The Petroff Defense ____
Mating Combinations ____
Pawn Endings 3 ____

Brown Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
Gambits ____
Sacrificial Combinations ____
Queen Endings ____
Chess Strategy: Pieces ____
French & Sicilian Defenses ____
Looking Ahead ____
Rook Endings ____

Black Belt

Date Completed: ____
Parent/Coach Initial ____
Queen's Gambit ____
Minor Piece Endings ____
Chess History 1 ____
Other Openings ____
Endgame Studies ____
Chess History 2 ____
The Final Challenge ____
What Next?