



Chess, a game of war with a lot of strategical components. You have a black and white checkered sixty four square board and thirty two pieces half black and half white. Yet chess is a simple game with a creative art form to it. A chess game is broken up into three stages, opening, middle, and the end stage. The only way to win the game is to checkmate the opposing player's king. Making the king the most important piece on the board. Being the king means that you control your army to do what you command.

Your army consist the king, queen, two rooks, two bishops, two knights, and eight pawns (listed in order of individual value). The person with the white pieces will always make the first move. The first stage of the game is the opening, the person with the white pieces will control what type of game will be played. The opening stage involves moving your pieces toward the middle of the board, often to be referred to as **developing** your pieces.



Developing ideas, or brainstorming for a paper is how I get all my thoughts so I can organize them. Without this some of my ideas may not have enough support to be a good idea for the paper.

While you are developing you pieces you are beginning to **formulate ideas**. Many people view chess as being difficult and boring. Yet chess is the exact opposite, you must see with your mind, be creative, and be insightful. Chess is who you are as a person. You can tell so much from what kind of person a player is biased off the moves they play.

Once all of you pieces are developed, and your king is safe in his castle you have entered the middle stage of the game. This is where you **organize your ideas** and **construct a plan**. This will require

patients, calculation, and **creativity**. Chess is a long and intense game that involves a person to do critical thinking, attention to detail, and checking for the best moves.



Formulating my ideas for my paper will allow me rationalize my thoughts and opinions. It giving me the chance to decide what view I want to go for my paper. Organizing my thoughts helps me stay on track when putting my thoughts onto paper. Writing down my thought keeps me from putting filler in my work. While organizing my thoughts constructing my paper will make it easier for what I need to do to have my paper clear, and concise. Creativity is what brings the paper to life, making it interesting to the reader.

This is where you will determine if your plans were good enough to crack you opponent's defenses, give you an advantage, or strong enough for you to win the game. Toward the end of the middle stage of the game there should be mostly pawns on the board and about half of the pieces on the board. At this point of the game you should realize the **focal points** of your army. There are always ways you can **improve** your army or how you want to attack. This is where most of the art is created, thinking outside of the box. Doing things that may not be logical but it works. Chess is such tedious game but there are all kinds of fireworks that make it exciting to watch.



I am always trying to improve. Proof reading and allowing others to proof read my work will ensure that it is easy to read interesting and people can relate to my work. My focal points of my paper must be strong, clear, and concise. This will be the anchor of my paper, this has be strong and plenty of support.

The end game is the **final product** of your plans, did you already checkmate the king, was your plans defended off successfully, are you winning? If you are not winning you must rethink your plan and keep the best possibility for you to win. If you are winning press on and continue your plan to checkmate the king. By this time you and your opponent maybe experiencing mental fatigue. This is the

point in time where you want to stay sharp, so taking short breaks by getting water, having a brief walk will keep you **focused**. If you are at this point the game will be decided in a win or a draw. This means a king has been checkmated, or the two players agreed that neither person can win.



The final product has to resonate with me before I can turn it in. I must have total confidence when I am putting the finishing touches. Making sure the paper is focused and answering the question or statement given. Answering the question in its entirety.