

# To Win at Chess



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## Level 2, Unit 4, Book 11

**Sounds:** **ch** th; -zz, -ll, -ff, -ss; -ck; all consonants;  
all short vowels

**Sight words:** is, the, a, and, have, love, so, to, my,  
of, I, he, be, for, me, was, we, she, are,  
you, want(s), said, go, see(s), began,  
give, good, puts, all, by, does, they,  
there, how, from, saw **which, too**

**Contractions:** don't, it's, let's

**Summary:** Beth, Thad, and Chan play chess. Chan becomes upset when she doesn't win. Beth and Thad help her learn a better way to think about winning and losing at chess.

**Special vocabulary:** check, bit his lip

**Reading comprehension questions:**

1. Who was the first person to win at chess?
2. Why did Chan get so mad?
3. What did Beth and Thad teach Chan about winning and losing?



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Chess is fun for Beth and Chan. Beth tells Chan, "Check!" Chan does not win, which is *not* O.K.



Chan gets so mad. She tells Beth, "You can not have my man!"