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They do not realize that football is, more than anything, a violent chess match. This book takes the fans into the minds of the game's great coaches and explains the strategies and tactics that determine the difference between victory and defeat.

Heavy rain showers, a gentle breeze and 57 degrees in London, the BBC reported this morning. The top American grandmaster Fabiano Caruana was unprepared for such weather, arriving for Game 2 of the World Chess Championship sporting a wet blazer. Never mind the sartorial dampness, however. He arrived excellently prepared for the chess. His opponent is Magnus Carlsen of Norway, the three-time defending world champion and world No. 1. Caruana, the world No. 2. The pair had already played an epic, 7-hour, move draw in Game 1 on Friday, and the best-of-game match sat level, 0. The result in Game 2 on Saturday was the same but the path to it was much shorter. After a move, three-hour draw, the grandmasters are level at 1 point apiece, and the championship remains deadlocked. The surprise appeared to pay off, as Carlsen, playing the white pieces, thought for 17 minutes, head in his hand, looking rather perturbed. This is what he saw: Carlsen eventually did actually touch a piece, breaking the unbearable tension, moving his bishop to e2. And by this point, this particular chess position had only ever been seen once before in a competitive game according to ChessBase in an obscure contest between two English players in Aberystwyth, Wales. Nevertheless, Caruana appeared ready for everything, moving quickly through the novelty. He was prepared for the chess, if not the rain. Carlsen thought for another 12 minutes before making his 12th move, 9 minutes for his 15th move. In many ways, the roles were reversed from the first game. Caruana, whose own time had ticked down to mere seconds in Game 1, opened up an hour advantage on the clock in Game 2, and looked rather comfortable. The chess computer engine that keeps me warm during the games suggested a rather dramatic sacrifice: Carlsen opted against the gambit instead developing a bishop to f3 perhaps because his clock was loudly ticking in his ear. Caruana started scratching his own head at this point but the tension soon slackened. By move 26, the queens and remaining bishops had been traded off the board, leaving the two in another endgame involving only rooks and pawns, just like they had on Friday. This version, however, ended much more quickly than the marathon that came before. Carlsen and Caruana played around here for a bit, but shook hands and agreed to draw after 49 moves. The match now sits at in this race to 6. Sunday is a rest day, and Game 3 begins Monday at 3 p.

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News for free thinkers Email address: The Liverpool right-back is convinced there are a few others who will also come out of the woodwork when they get going. England manager Gareth Southgate talks fondly of regular sessions of the card game hearts with Stuart Pearce, Tony Adams and Teddy Sheringham in the s and the card schools “ which have seen players win and lose extraordinary sums of money “ are infamous, but before long England could have their very own chess club. That would suit Alexander-Arnold just fine, having grown up playing chess as a hobby since he was at primary school and not stopped. He was first introduced to the game by his dad, Michael, when he was nine years old and as a teenager he would practise on rainy lunchtimes at Rainhill High, when he could not play football on the playground. At home, it was one more thing he could try to beat his two siblings, older brother Tyler and younger Marcel, at any opportunity. We all enjoyed it. We always played it without any pressure. It was a way to pass the time when they travelled to away games and were unable to use their smartphones on the plane. A trial with a chessboard sent the pieces flying on takeoff and landing, so they loaded the game onto their laptops. It was fairly even. Grandmasters have around 2, at the lower end. Felix Magath, the former Fulham manager who once played chess legend Garry Kasparov, is said to be 2, Former world heavyweight champion boxer Lennox Lewis is around 1, But fair play to Alexander-Arnold for taking on the challenge, arranged by Kaspersky Lab, a cybersecurity and anti-virus provider. Only one winner Alexander-Arnold was never going to win. Him playing Carlsen at chess is like Carlsen playing him at football. There will always only be one winner. The footballer had the assistance of two child chess prodigies, Shreyas Royal, nine, and year-old Kyan Bui, who he could ask for help every second move. Alexander-Arnold had five minutes on the clock, Carlsen one. As the players sit either side of the board “ Alexander-Arnold is black, Carlsen white “ the full-back looks deep in concentration as the two youngsters with smart jackets and thick-rimmed spectacles watch patiently over his shoulder. Alexander-Arnold lasted all of five minutes and 17 moves. Former England centre-back Sol Campbell also likes a game “ he took on and lost to British grandmaster Nigel Short in a match organised by the Financial Times in “ and said it helped him to think strategically, which translated into defending on a football pitch. And testing myself in different ways. I can see similarities in both games and use each game in the other as well. I try to use tactics from football on the chessboard. While most players his age he only turned 20 on Sunday are struggling to make an impression in elite first teams, Alexander-Arnold was travelling Europe playing in the Champions League last season, then a couple of weeks after starting in the final in Kiev he was off to Russia for the World Cup with England. Chess works for me, and I like to play [computer game] Fifa and hang out. You need to relax and not think about football and step away.

3: NFL safety: Is American football too violent? - BBC News

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It is written by Adam Wells and looks to analyse and compare the two games. The book is very well written and each point he makes is explained with examples from real football games, and real chess matches. Within two days I had read the book three times, making notes as I went through. My chess skills, and knowledge, are quite a bit below that of my football skills and knowledge, but I believe that this book has improved my understanding in both of these games. It really is a fascinating book and I encourage anyone interested in either chess or football to pick up a copy. As I stated in a previous article, I am highly interested in football systems and tactics. That is where I believe the art of winning on the pitch comes from, not the footballers themselves, but the manager that the footballers play under, and the system that they play in. Armed with my Christmas reading material, a pen, and a pad of paper, I began to look at the key concepts that the book highlighted. Below are the key concepts that I have taken from the book. Perhaps the most important aspect of any team is their ability to work together, their teamwork, and this occurs because of connections between players. A disconnected group of players will not play as a team, they will be play as individuals, and no matter who these individuals are they will inevitably suffer at the hands of a team that is more connected. Connections can be made between players in a variety of ways, covering for one another when attacking and defending, one-twos, direct passes to each other and moving into space to support. In order to build there must be connectivity between the players, and keeping the players together requires a shape i. All too often we see teams playing a known goalscorer, a proven talent, but not being able to supply the striker. The striker is unable to score, the team performs badly and they slip down the table. One of the earliest pieces of advice I received was that in order to control a chess game, you had to control the middle four squares of the board. Similarly, in order to control a game of football, you have to control the midfield. When you have control of the centre, you have control of the game. The last decade or so it has become popular to play a central midfield three for precisely this reason. Three men at centre midfield automatically gives you the advantage against a team that are playing two men in that position. Four men in the centre gives you the advantage against three, and so on. Thus a formation would be superior to a , and a diamond midfield formation would be superior to a Be aware though, that playing too many men in the centre of the park sacrifices space in other areas of the pitch, if the opposition can take advantage of this, you will be in trouble. The midfield battle has to be won and this can be done through outnumbering your opponents or by using aggression to win the fight. It is no surprise that the centre of midfield is where you are likely to find the most aggressive players in a team, Vieira at Arsenal, Keane at Man Utd, Gerrard at Liverpool, Van Bommel for Holland, the list goes on. A static team will not only struggle to break down the opposition, but they will also struggle to find one another with their passes. The desire for fitter, and more athletic players in the modern game is because the game has become quicker. The players need to be at peak physical condition, and need to be fast enough, and athletic enough, to keep up with the modern game. Premier League players now run on average Under Guardiola Barcelona were an incredibly hard working team, their high pressing tactic meant that a lot of running was required. The player in possession of the ball should have at least two or three options to pass the ball to. The mobility of the team, and its players, create options for passing and building attacks. He even takes great pride in knowing that his team run further, and faster, than the opposition. SPACE The mobility of players inevitably impacts, and contributes to another key concept in football, that of space. Wingers should utilise the space on the flanks, creative opposition players should be denied space, space should be closed down, created, exploited. Almost everything in football relates to the space on the pitch. The size of pitches are even adjusted so it more suits the style of play of the home team. On the pitch it should be a priority to exploit what ever space is given to you. The players not only need to find the space but they also need to receive the ball once they have found it. Once again showing the importance of connectivity. The most creative player in the world, in ten yards of space outside the opposition box, will not impact on the game unless the ball finds a way to him. If the

connectivity in the team is correct then the creative, and attacking, players can hunt for space safe in the knowledge that once they have found it, the ball will find them. Time and time again they were able to find half a yard inside the box and await the cross from David Beckham on the right hand side. Beckham to Cole, and Beckham to Yorke proved to be a deadly combination. At the highest level of football, space is hard to find. Players are pressed, harried, marked and closed down. Teams have to look to create space, to make gaps, which can then be exploited. One such method is by dragging defenders out of position not literally quite obviously. By doing this the space they previously occupied is now free. Strikers can drop deep, either pulling a central defender out of position, or finding the space in between the midfield and defence. Wingers cutting inside means that the opposing full back has to follow the run, this creates space in the position the full back should be occupying. For example when a defensive player is forced to take on two, or more, responsibilities at the same time. The defensive midfielder is now faced with two problems, the attacking midfielder he was marking in the first place, and now the striker who is dropping deep. A two on one situation has occurred, and if the opposition manager throws on another attacking midfielder, its become three on one. Another example of an overload would be in a situation where an attack minded player was forced to mark an opposing player. The winger is caught in an overload situation because he is unsure whether to find space in an attacking area, or to mark, and follow the run of, the opposing full back. A further example of an overload is when a full back runs beyond a winger, this is known mostly as an overlap, and is the most regular example of an overload on display in modern football. The defensive full back is not only faced with the opposing winger with the ball at his feet, but he is also faced with the run of the opposing full back. Stretching is a tactic used when attacking, and once again it relates to space. When in possession of the ball, as I mentioned earlier, the need and desire for space is paramount. That is why it is recommended that when a team attacks, the pitch should be made as large as possible. The whole pitch is there to be played on and every inch of it should be utilised to your advantage. Wingers should be encouraged to push wide, not only so that they can advance into the space near the touchline, but also because it creates more room in the middle of the pitch. Full backs should act in a similar way, hugging the touchline and creating overlapping runs. Width is vital in modern football, especially as more teams look to control the central midfield by playing three men there. Even if the wingers and full backs are not the danger men in the side, it is their positioning and running which creates space, and gaps, for other players to utilise. Not being a winger, or even a wide midfielder, he tended not to dribble forward and beat the opposing full back, rather he sat a little deeper. This invited the opposing full back on to him, who had to leave the back line to go and close him down. By doing so he left a gap at the left back position which could be exploited by other players. Henderson played at right midfield, this invited Leighton Baines to come out of the back four. Baines needs no encouragement to get forward anyway and when he went to close down Henderson, Suarez dropped into the hole that Baines left. In the next article I will focus on Defence, Pressing, Attack, The Value of Players and then a brief conclusion and my own tactical preferences.

4: The 5 Most Violent Hell in a Cell Matches

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Game 1 of the World Series was not one of those times. In a game in the bottom of the seventh inning, Dodgers manager Dave Roberts and Red Sox manager Alex Cora engaged in some high-stakes chess. Roberts called upon right-hander Pedro Baez to pull off a seemingly impossible task: But Cora showed that he was willing to play tit-for-tat, replacing the right-handed Steve Pearce with the left-handed Mitch Moreland to face Baez. Moreland struck out swinging at an eye-high fastball. Roberts then called for an intentional walk to J. Considering Martinez had already delivered a game-changing RBI double earlier in the game, that too felt like the proper move. Up stepped Xander Bogaerts, and just like Moreland before him, Bogaerts went down swinging at a fastball up and out of the zone. So with two outs and with Baez throwing gas, Roberts had a choice: Roberts opted for the latter. Cora wasted no time in matching the move. Cora sent Eduardo Nunez to the plate. It was somewhat of a surprise to see Cora keep Nunez out of the starting lineup against lefty Clayton Kershaw, but Devers ended up reaching base twice and delivering an RBI single to that point in the game. Now with a lefty reliever entering, though, Cora went to Nunez. It paid off after just two pitches. Nunez belted a curveball toward the Monster in left. The ball was hammered, and the only question was whether or not it would clear the wall. The ball left the ballpark, and with it went any hope the Dodgers might have had of stealing this game. The moment was one that might overwhelm some managers – especially those in their first year ever doing the job. But Cora, clearly, is different. He relished the opportunity. Despite all of the difficulties of being in the spotlight in Boston, Cora learned long ago how to handle it. The move to go to Nunez over Devers was just the latest in a trend of moves working out perfectly for Cora. This most recent move saw Nunez deliver the first pinch-hit home run in the World Series since Reliever Matt Barnes said this is all not just a result of good luck. It seems like A. On the other side, it was the moment the Red Sox knew they had this game won. But once we got it to four, we knew we could close out a game like that. It was awesome to watch. But given how Cora seems to have the magic button at his disposal this October, his players are seemingly having just as much fun watching him run the team. Pearce is playing, Ian [Kinsler] was playing. So keeping him in the dugout and out of the lineup was probably going to give us a chance to win the game. I think it starts with the communication. You might have a big at-bat tonight and do your thing.

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6: How The Analysis of Chess Highlights Key Concepts Within Football “ Part One “ Trouble and Squ

Football v rugby. Though rugby itself can be a violent game, it pales in comparison to American football. American football players are larger and stronger than rugby players.

Get the latest news and videos for this game daily, no spam, no fuss. Collapse Fans of amateur athletics huddle in front of their television sets every Saturday, cheering mightily for something unexpected to happen. Notre Dame, Oregon, Boise State, and countless other paper tigers have flirted with destiny, only to fail before reaching hallowed ground. No matter how hard you root, no matter how promising a freshman class may seem, the results are always the same: There are no more surprises in store, nothing to make you take notice. The on-field action should be very familiar for those who have played recent entries in the franchise. Receivers still have a better chance of getting open if they run across the field rather than take off on a deep route, linemen still mush together at the point of attack, and cornerbacks are cursed with brick hands. Still, slight tweaks to the physics system mean that hits carry the weight you would expect from pound athletes, and the option offense has finer control than before. The game has role-playing elements. Your coach now earns experience points for your accomplishments. Registering a sack or forcing a turnover fills up a progress bar, and once you reach a new level, you unlock special powers on a skill tree. So no longer do you have to be content with merely adding points to the scoreboard when you get into the end zone; you earn progress in the expansive metagame as well. Although this new addition does reward you for playing well, it feels like a desperate attempt to add something novel to a tired franchise. The skills system is added busywork that urges you to spend more time navigating menus than delivering wicked hits on the field. Do you struggle calling audibles? Recruiting has also seen a revamp, although instead of adding something new, it takes away what was previously there. The minutiae that defined the recruiting process have been completely stripped away. No longer do you decide how much time you want to spend with each recruit, delegating assistant coaches to seek out lower-priority candidates while you, as the head coach, meet with only five-star prospects. Gone too is the interviewing minigame. Before, you would learn the priorities of each high school star and try to appeal to his particular ambitions. This system had a number of flaws, but it was still fun to learn who each player was on a personal level. Nike Skills Trainer walks you through the major scenarios you face during a game, and the time spent on the practice field pays off once you take to the field on game day. Learning how to use your blockers or when to throw a fade versus a bullet is important knowledge, as is coming to grips with the sometimes overbearing audible system. Considering how complicated the core action has become, Nike Skills Trainer is a solid addition that provides a much smoother learning curve than previous games in the series. That sea of orange could cure even the toughest case of scurvy. Pulling out crucial first downs or making momentum-swinging goal line stands is an incredible feeling, especially when you exchange some well-meaning pleasantries with your vanquished opponent. You never know when the ball will finally bounce your way and you can get the last laugh on the road to victory. The on-field action is tight and rewarding, but everything else is sloppy at best. NCAA Football has never been able to match the enticing action of the sport with equally engaging off-field activities, so it creates a jarring disconnect when you have to plow through tedious menus to accomplish anything away from the field.

7: World Chess Championship American Fabiano Caruana vs. Magnus Carlsen of Norway - CBS News

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8: NCAA Football 14 Review - GameSpot

Football is unique among major team sports not because of its violence “ hockey and rugby are violent, basketball is a contact sport, and baseball players can get rocked in the eye socket by a.

9: Trent Alexander-Arnold on his love for chess: 'It helps me relax and forget about football'

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