

# 10 Timely Ideas for Opening a Game of Chess

## 6 Don't bring out your Queen too early

The best reason players should not bring out their **Queen** too early is **not** because they might lose it. Players should be careful with their **Queen at all times**, not just the opening.

And there are opening traps where a **Queen** can be grabbed or traded without ever having been moved at all.

The **best** reason she should not advance too soon is that it usually helps the other player. Your opponent can use your **Queen** as a **target**. They can chase your **Queen** while using the same moves to develop their pieces.

While your **Queen is spending moves** running from danger, enemy forces are multiplying and getting ready for action.

**Simply:** If you bring your **Queen** out too early you give your opponent **free moves**.

Here's an example by young players.

**Peter vs Alex, Weibel Quad 2004**

**1. e4, e5 2. d4, exd 3. Qxd4, Nc6 4. Qd1 ...**

**White** has wasted two moves merely to open a file, now **Black**

has the initiative. Peter let Alex develop a **Knight** with an attack:

**4... Bc5 5.Nf3, d6 6. h3, Nf6 7. Bg5, 0-0 8. Bc4, Re8**

That's three times so far that Alex has developed with attack.

**9. Nc3, h6 10. Bxf6, Qxf6 11. 0-0, Qg6 12. Re1 Bxh3 13. g3, Qxg3!**

**Topic to master: Tempo**



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