

# Bent Larsen Quotes

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Lucky, Success, Routine, Fighting, Zero, Kings, Opportunity, Mistress, Black,  
Small Numbers*

Chess is a beautiful mistress.

~Bent Larsen

A gambit never becomes sheer routine as long as you fear you may lose the king and pawn ending!

~Bent Larsen

A chess player never has a heart attack in a good position.

~Bent Larsen

Lack of patience is probably the most common reason for losing a game, or drawing games that should have been won.

~Bent Larsen

I don't care very much for miniatures. I don't try to beat my opponents quickly because if they are strong, I think I should respect them. It is too risky to play sharply to beat them in 20 moves.

~Bent Larsen

I often play a move I know how to refute.

~Bent Larsen

A draw may be the beautiful and logical result of fine attacks and parries; and the public ought to appreciate such games, in contrast, of course, to the fear-and-laziness draws.

~Bent Larsen

The books say that it is not so serious to lose time in a closed position; I am lucky, since these comments have not harmed me too much.

~Bent Larsen

The stomach is an essential part of the Chess master

~Bent Larsen

In my opinion the Open variation is absolutely correct - and more interesting than the Closed.

~Bent Larsen

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