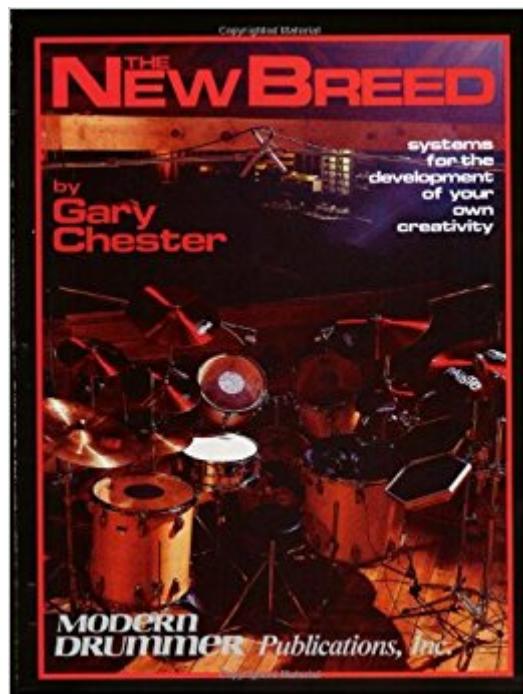


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# The New Breed



## Synopsis

Gary Chester was one of the busiest studio drummers of the '60s and '70s and played on hundreds of hit records. His systems have been used and endorsed by drummers such as Kenny Aronoff, Danny Gottlieb, and Dave Weckl. This is not just another drum book, but rather a system that will help you develop the skills needed to master today's studio requirements. By working with this book, you'll improve your reading, concentration, coordination, right and left-hand lead, and awareness of the click.

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I was in band all through school, as well as marching band. I was looking for a similar, yet practical approach to learning things on the drum set instead of snare. This is it. I have many other famous drum set books too but they aren't as practical as this one. I already knew the rudiments I wanted to learn and could learn others in my own time. This book got me comfortable with a drum set while giving me tools to use during real music making. A perfect mix for a medium to advanced musician.

This book is a direct pathway to being a better all-around player. It improves time, coordination, and concentration. If every drummer could spend just 20 minutes per day of concerted effort with this book, the standard would be set even higher. Simply put, using this book yields tangible improvement felt overnight. I'm assuming Gary Chester was the first to really employ and capitalize on this system of development - if not, he sure packaged it nicely into a timeless book right here. I highly recommend putting in the extra effort and vocalizing the various parts as he suggests... and also playing the systems with the left-hand leading (if you're right-handed). Ari Hoenig applied this same method to triplet-based music in his "Systems" book. Also highly recommended. Working through this book will get serious results.

If you read this you're probably familiar with the concept. It obviously helps your independence, probably the best book on the market for that, but it also helps you to monitor your playing in "realtime" - which to me is the greater reward. I suggest this book along with Benny Greb's "Art and Science of the Groove", Stick Control: For the Snare Drummer by George Lawrence Stone and Jojo Mayer's video on stick control.

If you are an intermediate to advanced drum player looking to play whatever comes your way this is the method book for you. This will teach you techniques to play almost anything. Obviously it requires a great deal of practice and diligence to learn all the material. I would not recommend this for a beginner.

I have only started to work with this book. I knew very little about Gary Chester, but I bought this book based on reputation alone. Since buying it, I have spent some time reading about Gary and his professional experiences. He is a very interesting person with some very innovative viewpoints on playing. There is a reason why so many drumming greats have studied his material and put his teaching to use. Like any other instructional material, you may not agree with a particular "system". Or, you may not be at a level to make use of all of the exercises. However, there is always

something useful and this book is no exception. The best part is, if you can't use it now, put it on the shelf and pull it out later when you are ready.

I'd call myself an intermediate player now and it's because of books like this one with its creative exercises. I've just started, I'm doing about 3 exercises per day and I've already seen improvement in my coordination. The exercises are challenging enough but do-able.(I was calling myself a beginner before I picked up this book, but I'm getting it, I'm easily following the exercises, they're simple enough to grasp, so I'd say I've graduated from beginner to intermediate.)As for the CD that comes with the book, it's a plus. I'm learning a lot hearing a top drummer speak of his new "system" of drumming.All in all, it's a great purchase, the price is pretty good to have someone like Gary Chester teaching me how to get really comfortable playing my drum kit.BTW I got this book because my drum teacher recommended it. He says he uses it with his advance students, so it's drum-teacher-approved.I also recommend *Drum Set Warm-Ups: Essential Exercises for Improving Technique (Berklee Guide)* for improving technique.

This book changed my approach to drumming in unexpected and positive ways. If you put the time into approaching the systems outlined here, you will surely advance from a drummer to a musician. Gaining independence between a drummer's hands and feet opens windows of musical expression that would otherwise not be available. If you are serious about drums from a musical and artistic point of view, I can't recommend this book enough to help get you there. Plus, the addition of a CD interview with Gary Chester and Danny Gottlieb (original drummer with Pat Metheny) is quite insightful.

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