



Children's Booklist 2022: Score! Sports Stories

Grades 4-5

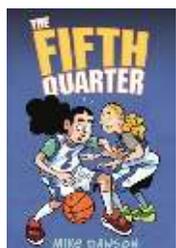


Great Sports Fails

by Grace Campbell

Sports are all about great strategy and overcoming obstacles, right? Not always! Sometimes failures in sports are as exciting as successes. In this great non-fiction read, discover how athletes and teams have dealt with failure and how they've improved after

their mistakes.



The Fifth Quarter

by Mike Dawson

Lori Block is dedicated to her fourth-grade basketball team, despite being relegated to an extra period before the real game starts, known as the fifth quarter, where the not-so-good kids play and the points don't count. That doesn't matter to Lori though, because working on her skills gives her hints of self-

confidence, which is a nice break from feeling awkward and out-of-place in her daily life.



Unsettled

by Reem Faruqi

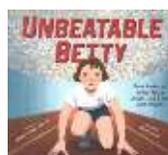
Young Nurah reluctantly moves with her family from Karachi, Pakistan, to Peachtree City, Georgia, but, after some ups and downs, begins to feel at home. Making a new friend and joining the swim team are turning points in Nurah's quest to fit in.



Switch-hitter

by Derek Jeter

When he is benched with an injury, seventh-grader Derek Jeter wonders how he can show his commitment to his teammates, his coaches and the sport he loves even though he can't participate. .



Unbeatable Betty : the First Female Olympic Track & Field Gold Medalist

by Allison Crotzer Kimmel

A picture-book biography of the first woman gold medalist in track and field describes how after winning the 1928 Olympics, Betty Robinson survived a plane crash and disabling injuries that she overcame to win the gold medal again during the 1936 Olympics.



Brain Blitz

by David Lawrence

Tony takes a bad hit on the field and Artie thinks he might have a concussion, but Tony just wants to focus on his upcoming game.



The Kicks series: Fans in the Stands

by Alex Morgan

The final book in "The Kicks" series finds Devin responding to her crush's belief that girls are inferior soccer players by organizing a competition to see which team gets more fans to attend their championship game.

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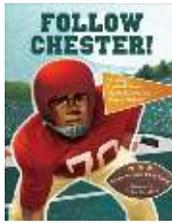
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Wild River: A Novel

by W. R. Philbrick

Awakened by a scream on the first night of a whitewater rafting trip, Daniel discovers that a nearby dam has failed and that his camp is on the brink of flooding, forcing him and his young teammates to escape and make their way to safety without adult help.



Follow Chester! : a College Football Team Fights Racism and Makes History

by Gloria Respress-Churchwell

A historical reader based on true events describes a white college football team's support of black teammate Chester Pierce when he is subjected to the prejudices of

Jim Crow laws while playing in the South at a time when black players were prohibited from playing there.

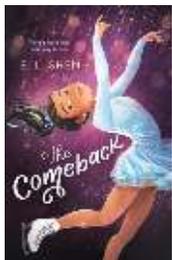


The Floating Field : How a Group of Thai Boys Built Their Own Soccer Field

by Scott Riley

On a tiny Thai island without room for a soccer field, a group of resourceful teen boys gathers scraps and works together to

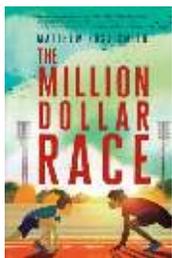
build a floating field so they can play the game they love.



The Comeback

by E. L. Shen

Twelve-year-old Maxine Chen dreams of being a figure skating champion, but a remarkably talented new girl at the arena and a racist classmate at school test her resolve.



The Million Dollar Race

by Matthew Ross Smith

When Grant Falloon's dreams of winning the Babblemoney Games are hindered by his parents' alternative lifestyle, he creates his own internet country to get back into the competition.



Brave Like That

by Lindsey Stoddard

Eleven-year-old Cyrus knows he is not cut out to be a football hero or a fireman like his adopted father, but it takes a skittish stray dog to teach him that he, too, can be brave.



Quarterback Scramble

by Brandon Terrell

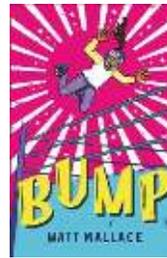
Ben is happy to ride the bench--until the Hawks' star QB, Wes, gets suspended for pulling poor grades in math. With Ben at the helm, the offense stalls, and his teammates place the blame on his shoulders.



Who Is/Was series

by Various Authors

Profiles the lives and careers of your favorite sports professionals, such as Tom Brady, Venus & Serena Williams, Michael Jordan, Derek Jeter, Pele, Muhammed Ali, David Beckham and Jesse Owens.

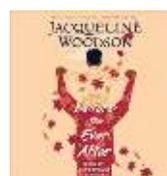


Bump

by Matt Wallace

MJ knows what it means to hurt. Bruises from gymnastics heal, but big hurts, like her dad not being around anymore, don't go away. Now her mom needs to work two jobs, and MJ doesn't have friends at school to lean on. There is only one thing MJ loves: the world of professional wrestling. When

MJ learns that her neighbor, Mr. Arellano, runs a wrestling school, she has a new mission in life: join the school, train hard, and become a wrestler.



Before the Ever After

by Jacqueline Woodson

The son of an idolized pro-football star begins noticing the contrast between his father's angry, forgetful behavior and his superhero reputation before adjusting to a new reality stemming from his father's numerous head injuries. By the National Book Award-winning author of *Brown Girl Dreaming*.



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