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## The Games Black Girls Play

Eighth-grader Molly's ability to throw a knuckleball earns her a spot on the baseball team, which not only helps her feel connected to her recently deceased father, who loved baseball, but also helps in other aspects of her life.

# Gender and Political Marketing in the United States and the 2016 Presidential Election

Eleven-year-old cousins catcher Liam McGrath and pitcher Carter Jones grew up playing baseball together. Now, their team is on the verge of winning the greatest championship of all: the Little League Baseball ® World Series. To reach the title match, however, they must first beat their number one rivals from Southern California. Little do they know that the game will prove to be just the first challenge they'll face on their road to the championships. © 2013 Little League Baseball, Incorporated.

#### **Team Handball**

The evidence is overwhelming: sports help girls grow into strong women. Both scientific studies and anecdotal evidence confirm that athletic girls not only grow up to be healthier; they learn teamwork, gain inner confidence, and grow into society's leaders. Sports help preteen and teenage girls make the right choices in a society that is sending them incredibly mixed messages about who they are supposed to be. Yet no one is speaking directly to these girls. Jennie fills the role of girlfriend, big sister, team captain, and mentor. A smart, credible, and accomplished voice from an athlete who is strong and feminine, fiercely

competitive, and fashionably cool, Jennie is someone young women will listen to and take to heart. Jennie's message: Believe in yourself. Go for it, girls.

## **Speed Bump**

Discusses the physical and psychological changes at the onset of menstruation. Includes a guide for parents and teachers.

#### **Island of Vice**

#### From Abba to Zoom

Dave Raymond was the original Phillie Phanatic. From 1978, when he first zipped up the green fur at Veteran's stadium, until his mascot retirement in 1994, Dave performed for millions of fans and celebrities from Philadelphia to Japan. With his performance career Dave designed, built and tested a process that created a million-dollar brand extension for the Philadelphia Phillies and helped him get through some of the hardest times in his life. He calls it The Power of Fun. These are his best stories about Being the Phanatic and what the big green guy taught him about how tapping in to the power of having fun will make you happier,

healthier and more productive at home or at work. Read The Power of Fun, step into the green fur and Be the Phanatic for a few hours to learn how it can change your life!

#### **Pedro**

Rabbit, Run is the book that established John Updike as one of the major American novelists of his—or any other—generation. Its hero is Harry "Rabbit" Angstrom, a onetime high-school basketball star who on an impulse deserts his wife and son. He is twenty-six years old, a man-child caught in a struggle between instinct and thought, self and society, sexual gratification and family duty—even, in a sense, human hard-heartedness and divine Grace. Though his flight from home traces a zigzag of evasion, he holds to the faith that he is on the right path, an invisible line toward his own salvation as straight as a ruler's edge.

## Matt Christopher's Baseball Jokes and Riddles

A critique of sexism in contemporary sport in which the author shows how it affects women and men outside the playing arena, examining how women are excluded from participating in sport on equal terms with men, and how all-male sporting environments foster misogyny and sexual violence.

## So You Think You Know Baseball?: A Fan's Guide to the Official Rules

A memoir by the World Series champion pitcher describes his youth in the Dominican Republic, hardscrabble days in the minor leagues and legendary run with the Red Sox. 100,000 first printing.

#### **Practice to Win**

This silver anniversary edition of Dave Coverly's Reuben award-winning Speed Bump collects 300 of his best cartoons into one full-color book. 25 years of ideas. 25 years of drawings. 25 years of coffee. Man, that's a lot of coffee. Coverly's work has appeared in over 400 newspapers, including the Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, and the Detroit Free Press, as well as in Parade magazine, textbooks, greeting cards, and even on that internet thingy. Dry and gentle not only describes Dave's hands, but his sense of humor as well. And while there are no guarantees in life, this new collection of Speed Bump cartoons hopes to make you think, smile, snort awkwardly, rethink, pause for a bathroom break, maybe get a second cup of coffee, and return to read a few more before realizing you really should be doing something a little more productive.

#### The Hidden Life of Girls

Join the growing number of people who are discovering the fun and excitement of team handball! With more points scored than soccer and more continuous action than basketball, team handball has been a popular international sport for years, and now its popularity is on the rise in the United States. No wonder--this fastpaced team sport lets players take full advantage of their running, jumping, and throwing abilities. Written by two former U.S. Olympic players and expert coaches, Team Handball: Steps to Success presents 12 easy-to-follow steps to becoming an accomplished player. Each step is an easy transition from the one before. The first steps provide a solid foundation of basic skills and concepts. As players progress, they'll learn how to combine these skills to attack the goal, decide when to pass and when to shoot, and support their teammates when attacking and defending. The final steps show how teammates can organize as a unit in attack and on defense and how good communication contributes to the effectiveness of the team. Team Handball: Steps to Success features 62 drills that develop players' shooting, dribbling, passing, and catching skills. The drills come with performance goals and a list of key points to remember in executing them. Plus, many drills include instructions for increasing or decreasing the difficulty of the drill. By studying the book's 187 illustrations and following the simple instructions, players will learn • why each skill or concept is important, • the keys to proper technique, • how to analyze and correct common errors, • how to practice the skills in game-

like situations, and • how to check their progress. The book's appendixes explain the basic rules of the game and show how to modify a given floor space to create a team handball court. Part of the highly popular Steps to Success Activity Series, this book will help players learn the game quickly and provide the foundation for their future development.

## **Grammar and Language Workbook**

A behind-the-scenes analysis of professional baseball's hidden rules reveals the impact of unwritten codes of conduct, retaliatory behaviors, and cheating, providing examples as committed by such figures as Mickey Mantle, Willie Mays, and Don Drysdale.

## **Going Out of Our Minds**

The New York Mets fan is an Amazin' creature whose species finds its voice at last in Greg Prince's Faith and Fear In Flushing, the definitive account of what it means to root for and live through the machinations of an endlessly fascinating if often frustrating baseball team. Prince, coauthor of the highly regarded blog of the same name, examines how the life of the franchise mirrors the life of its fans, particularly his own. Unabashedly and unapologetically, Prince stands up for all Mets fans and,

by proxy, sports fans everywhere in exploring how we root, why we take it so seriously, and what it all means. What was it like to enter a baseball world about to be ruled by the Mets in 1969? To understand intrinsically that You Gotta Believe? To overcome the trade of an idol and the dissolution of a roster? To hope hard for a comeback and then receive it in thrilling fashion in 1986? To experience the constant ups and downs the Mets would dispense for the next two decades? To put ups with the Yankees right next door? To make the psychic journey from Shea Stadium to Citi Field? To sort the myths from the realities? Greg Prince, as he has done for thousands of loyal Faith and Fear in Flushing readers daily since 2005, puts it all in perspective as only he can.

#### **CATCHING-101**

Return once again to the enduring account of the Permian Panthers of Odessa -- the winningest high school football team in Texas history.

## **New Palauan-English Dictionary**

Examines rules in baseball, illustrating each with actual plays from historical and contemporary games to understand the mechanics of a play or how it should be scored.

#### The Baseball Codes

Today's parents often worry that their children will be at a disadvantage if they are not engaged in constant learning, but child development expert David Elkind reassures us that imaginative play goes far to prepare children for academic and social success. Through expert analysis of the research and powerful examples, Elkind shows how creative, spontaneous play fosters healthy mental and social development and sets the stage for academic learning in the first place. An important contribution to the literature about how children learn, The Power of Play restores play's respected place in children's lives and encourages parents to trust their instincts to stay away from many of the dubious educational products on the market.

#### The Girl Who Threw Butterflies

Chronicles Johnson's external political journeys and her internal transformations - and the vital connection between.

## **College Fight Songs**

Bottom-of-the-ninth dreams are the stuff that young boys are made of. But boys

grow. Destiny arrives on the doorstep -or, more likely, fails to- and all the while mothers look on, impotent witnesses to the great unknown. Such is the turf of The Pitcher's Mom, a novel about big dreams, cup shopping, bleacher barbs, sore arms, mothers and sons, wrestling destiny, and the sacrifices we make for love.

#### Season of the Witch

The Grammar and Language Workbook offers sequential language instruction along with extensive drill and practice in grammar, usage, and mechanics. This important tool includes a handbook as well as vocabulary, spelling, and composition lessons.

#### **Softball Skills & Drills**

Offers ideas for programs to be used with preschool age children including songs, arts and craft projects, and games.

### Rabbit, Run

A comprehensive guide to coaching youth cheerleading that covers communication, rules, equipment, safety, teaching and shaping skills, cheers,

sidelines, dances, partner stunts, pyramids, jumps, tumbling, preparing for the season, and game day.

## Faith and Fear in Flushing

The New York Times bestseller and international multimedia phenomenon! In each generation, for thousands of years, twelve Players have been ready. But they never thought Endgame would happen. Until now. Omaha, Nebraska. Sarah Alopay stands at her graduation ceremony—class valedictorian, star athlete, a full life on the horizon. But when a meteor strikes the school, she survives. Because she is the Cahokian Player. Endgame has begun. Juliaca, Peru. At the same moment, thousands of miles away, another meteor strikes. But Jago Tlaloc is safe. He has a secret, and his secret makes him brave. Strong. Certain. He is the Olmec Player. He's ready. Ready for Endgame. Across the globe, twelve meteors slam into Earth. Cities burn. But Sarah and Jago and the ten others Players know the truth. The meteors carry a message. The Players have been summoned to The Calling. And now they must fight one another in order to survive. All but one will fail. But that one will save the world. This is Endgame.

## The Stronger Women Get, the More Men Love Football

Salon founder David Talbot chronicles the cultural history of San Francisco and from the late 1960s to the early 1980s when figures such as Harvey Milk, Janis Joplin, Jim Jones, and Bill Walsh helped usher from backwater city to thriving metropolis.

#### The Pitcher's Mom

Based on the Palauan-English dictionary by Fr. Edwin G. McManus, S.J. (UH Press, 1977), this revision is designed to be an easily accessible reference for identifying vocabulary items of Palauan, which are often culture bound, semantically rich, and structurally quite complex. Thousands of Palauan entries are new or greatly expanded. Users will benefit from a much wider range of vocabulary, especially in the areas of flora and fauna, Palauan legend, and borrowed words from both English and Japanese. The expanded English-Palauan finder list allows for quick reference to the Palauan equivalents of many English words.

#### Sound-Politics in São Paulo

This book focuses on the unique challenges women in politics face in the United States based on their gender. It also focuses on issues of intersectionality in political marketing, including race, age, weight, sexual orientation, gender identity

and gender expression. From a theoretical perspective, this book facilitates an investigation of the interplay of gender dynamics and power structures within political marketing. Focusing on women in the United States of both parties at various levels in politics, it examines both historical data and contemporary examples of female politicians and their campaigns. Using qualitative research methods and taking a feminist approach to data collection and analysis, this book features primary source interviews with 15 politicians, including a Governor, Senator, two Congresswomen, and several state and local legislators. It also incorporates interviews with 19 political consultants, PAC executives, aides, political party officials, and members of the media.

## **Endgame: The Calling**

Looking for the ultimate book to help you learn and master softball's essential skills? Look no further than the guide that has helped develop the game's top players and most successful teams. This new edition of Softball Skills & Drills is completely updated with more skills, more drills and strategies, and more of the stellar instruction that have made it the top-selling title on the sport. Judi Garman, one of the winningest coaches in NCAA history, teams with Cal State Fullerton's Michelle Gromacki to share their secrets to developing and mastering every aspect of the game. With step-by-step instruction, full-color photo sequences, technique tips, and unique insight into the game, you'll learn every fundamental skill: •Hitting

•Bunting •Slap Hitting •Baserunning •Sliding •Fielding •Throwing •Pitching •Catching And with over 230 of the game's best drills, coverage of team offense and defense, pitch selection, pitch recognition, and in-game strategies, Softball Skills and Drills is simply the most comprehensive and practical guide on the sport. Whether striving to become a complete player or preparing your team for another championship run, Softball Skills &Drills is the one book you cannot be without.

## The Mystery Science Theater 3000 Amazing Colossal Episode Guide

Winner of the Best Book of 2008 from The International Gender and Language Association In this ground-breaking ethnography of girls on a playground, Goodwin offers a window into their complex social worlds. Combats stereotypes that have dominated theories on female moral development by challenging the notion that girls are inherently supportive of each other Examines the stances that girls on a playground in a multicultural school setting assume and shows how they position themselves in their peer groups Documents the language practices and degradation rituals used to sanction friends and to bully others Part of the Blackwell Studies in Discourse and Culture Series

## **Sport Marketing**

A ROLLICKING NARRATIVE HISTORY OF THEODORE ROOSEVELT'S EMBATTLED TENURE AS POLICE COMMISSIONER OF CORRUPT, PLEASURE-LOVING NEW YORK CITY IN THE 1880s, AND HIS DOOMED MISSION TO WIPE OUT VICE In the 1890s, New York City was America's financial, manufacturing, and entertainment capital, and also its preferred destination for sin, teeming with 40,000 prostitutes, glittering casinos, and all-night dives packed onto the island's two dozen square miles. Police captains took hefty bribes to see nothing while reformers writhed in frustration. In Island of Vice, bestselling author Richard Zacks paints a vivid picture of the lewd underbelly of 1890s New York, and of Theodore Roosevelt, the cocksure crusading police commissioner who resolved to clean up the bustling metropolis, where the silk top hats of Wall Street bobbed past teenage prostitutes trawling Broadway. Writing with great wit and zest, Zacks explores how Roosevelt went head-to-head with corrupt Tammany Hall, took midnight rambles with muckraker Jacob Riis, banned barroom drinking on Sundays, and tried to convince 2 million New Yorkers to enjoy wholesome family fun. In doing so, Teddy made a ruthless enemy of police captain "Big Bill" Devery, who grew up in the Irish slums and never tired of fighting "tin soldier" reformers. Roosevelt saw his mission as a battle of good versus evil; Devery saw prudery standing in the way of fun and profit. When righteous Roosevelt's vice crackdown started to succeed all too well, many of his own supporters began to turn on him. Cynical newspapermen mocked his quixotic quest, his own political party abandoned him, and Roosevelt discovered that New York loves its sin more than its salvation. Zacks's meticulous

research and wonderful sense of narrative verve bring this disparate cast of both pious and bawdy New Yorkers to life. With cameos by Stephen Crane, J. P. Morgan, and Joseph Pulitzer, plus a horde of very angry cops, Island of Vice is an unforgettable portrait of turn-of-the-century New York in all its seedy glory, and a brilliant portrayal of the energetic, confident, and zealous Roosevelt, one of America's most colorful public figures.

## **Rainy Day Activities**

More than 150 million Americans were born after the post-World War II years. Almost all of them know, remember, and hold dear to their hearts the numerous memories that stretch From ABBA to Zoom. Take a walk . . . down memory lane, you Boomers and Gen Xers! From ABBA to Zoom is sure to grab anyone born in the 1950s, '60s, '70s, or '80s. Whether you grew up watching The Huckleberry Hound Show, Johnny Quest, or Sesame Street, this cultural encyclopedia is sure to draw you into a nostalgic and fun-filled read that you just can't put down. American pop culture aficionado David Mansour spent 18 years accumulating an extensive collection of dolls, lunch boxes, board games, TV memorabilia, and other items from the 1960s through the '90s. That fascination, along with his lifelong lists--from "best toys" to "all-time coolest singers"--were the genesis for this wide-ranging volume of Boomer and Generation X treasures. Readers will relish the mere mention of some of their greatest childhood and adolescent connections, then rush

to learn the well-researched details behind those icons. Farrah Fawcett's feathered hair, James Bond movies, Lost in Space, Woodstock--it's all here! In page after page, more than 3,000 references arranged alphabetically make this a true trip through the Boom Times. Totally groovy!

#### The Summer I Became a Nerd

A collection of wacky jokes, riddles, puns, and anecdotes about America's favorite pastime is gathered by a favorite young sports fiction writer and is guaranteed to liven up locker rooms and baseball diamonds alike.

#### The Color of Water

Sport Marketing, Fourth Edition With Web Study Guide, has been streamlined and updated to keep pace with the latest information and issues in the competitive world of sport marketing. This text maintains its position as the best-selling and original text in the field, continuing to direct students to a better understanding of the theoretical backbone that makes sport marketing such a unique and vibrant subject to study. Using the new full-color format and companion web study guide, students will stay engaged as they explore how fans, players, coaches, the media, and companies interact to drive the sport industry. Heavily updated with more

contributions from industry professionals and emphasis on social media platforms that have revolutionized the field in recent years, this edition contains practical material that prepares students for careers in sport marketing. It also includes these updates: •A web study guide featuring exclusive video interviews with industry professionals and accompanying activities that tie core concepts and strategies from the book into applied situations •Instructor ancillaries enhanced by gradable chapter guizzes that can be used with learning management systems •An attractive and engaging full-color interior • Chapter objectives, opening scenarios, engaging sidebars, and photos throughout the text that guide students in grasping important concepts • Wrap-Up, Activities, and Your Marketing Plan sections at the end of each chapter that offer opportunities for self-assessment and review The highly respected authors have long been recognized for their ability to define this exciting field, combining academic study and current research with industry experience for an unmatched learning experience for students preparing to enter the working world. The content in this fourth edition of Sport Marketing has been reorganized to make it easier to use in the classroom. Chapters 1 through 3 provide an overview of the field of sport marketing as an area of study and profession. Chapters 4 and 5 teach students how to research and study the behaviors of sport consumers, including an overview of marketing segmentation. Chapters 6 through 13 provide extensive information on the nuts and bolts of the field, including the five Ps of sport marketing and special sections on branding, sales and service, engagement and activation, community relations, and social

media. The final chapters explore legal issues, integration, and the future of sport marketing. Instructors may also take advantage of the student web study guide and complete package of ancillaries to enhance learning and presentation of core concepts. All materials, including the web study guide, instructor guide, test package, presentation package plus image bank, and LMS-compatible chapter quizzes, are available online. The world of sport marketing continues to evolve. Sport Marketing, Fourth Edition With Web Study Guide, offers students a complete view of the expansive field of sport, providing an understanding of the foundations of sport marketing and how to enhance the sport experience.

## The Power of Play

On the outside, seventeen-year-old Madelyne Summers looks like your typical blond cheerleader—perky, popular, and dating the star quarterback. But inside, Maddie spends more time agonizing over what will happen in the next issue of her favorite comic book than planning pep rallies with her squad. That she's a nerd hiding in a popular girl's body isn't just unknown, it's anti-known. And she needs to keep it that way. Summer is the only time Maddie lets her real self out to play, but when she slips up and the adorkable guy behind the local comic shop's counter uncovers her secret, she's busted. Before she can shake a pom-pom, Maddie's whisked into Logan's world of comic conventions, live-action role-playing, and first-person-shooter video games. And she loves it. But the more she denies who she

really is, the deeper her lies becomeand the more she risks losing Logan forever.

## **Scout Jokes**

Becoming a True Champion offers a path to achieving athletic excellence, longevity, and dignity through the values and hard work that once distinguished athletes as true role models. Providing an antidote to images of misbehaving athletes, this book guides readers through the ethics and standards that will set them apart both on and off the field.

## **Becoming a True Champion**

As a boy in Brooklyn's Red Hook projects, James McBride knew his mother was different. But when he asked about it, she'd simply say 'I'm light-skinned.' Later he wondered if he was different too, and asked his mother if he was black or white. 'You're a human being,' she snapped. 'Educate yourself or you'll be a nobody!' And when James asked what colour God was, she said 'God is the colour of water.' As an adult, McBride finally persuaded his mother to tell her story - the story of a rabbi's daughter, born in Poland and raised in the South, who fled to Harlem, married a black man, founded a Baptist church, and put twelve children through college.

## **Coaching Youth Cheerleading**

2007 Alan Merriam Prize presented by the Society for Ethnomusicology 2007 PEN/Beyond Margins Book Award Finalist When we think of African American popular music, our first thought is probably not of double-dutch: girls bouncing between two twirling ropes, keeping time to the tick-tat under their toes. But this book argues that the games black girls play —handclapping songs, cheers, and double-dutch jump rope—both reflect and inspire the principles of black popular musicmaking. The Games Black Girls Play illustrates how black musical styles are incorporated into the earliest games African American girls learn—how, in effect, these games contain the DNA of black music. Drawing on interviews, recordings of handclapping games and cheers, and her own observation and memories of gameplaying, Kyra D. Gaunt argues that black girls' games are connected to long traditions of African and African American musicmaking, and that they teach vital musical and social lessons that are carried into adulthood. In this celebration of playground poetry and childhood choreography, she uncovers the surprisingly rich contributions of girls' play to black popular culture.

## **Play Ball!**

Scout Jokes is a large collection of jokes targeted toward scouts and various

scouting topics such as camping, hiking, campfires, etc. With its large selection of in-depth jokes and one liners, Scout Jokes is the perfect book for any scout looking to have a good laugh.

## **Friday Night Lights**

Describes the plots of more than one hundred bad science fiction movies, and shares some of the comments used on the "Mystery Science Theater 3000" television show in an attempt to make the movies funny

#### **Period**

Go, team, go! Rah, rah! Boomalacka, boomalacka! Sis-boom-bah! Get your pennants and varsity colors and head for the stadium because College Fight Songs will make you an expert on the musical history of university athletic themes and anthems before the second-half kickoff. Here, in one anthology, you'll find a unique collection of musical and historical information that hasn't been compiled and updated since the days of Knute Rockne and the Galloping Ghost. This smart and spirited collection will give you plenty to rise and shout about, bringing together the complete lyrics, brief historical annotations, and musical scores for the songs of over 100 of the country's most recognized colleges and universities. If you're a

researcher, librarian, musical enthusiast, band leader, musical historian, old-timer from way back when, or a young underclassmen interested in preserving a few cherished notes of your school's history, College Fight Songs is the book for you. You'll find plenty of hard-to-find facts about the songs and the people who inspired them, and you'll get specific information in these areas: complete musical scores of college fight songs full lyrics of college fight songs basic historical background concerning the songs and their institutions information regarding the song creators and the college nicknames So, swing on the Rambling Wreck from Georgia Tech, rally around the bonfire and give a holler for the Buckeyes, the Wildcats, the Sooners, the Boilermakers, and the Tigers! The Gipper, the Bear, and Johnny U await you in this fabulous compendium of nostalgia and musical scores. Even after a few pages, College Fight Songs will have you hailing your alma mater and jumping in the car to head for the hop.

#### Throw Like a Girl

"Cardoso presents Sound-Politics in São Paulo as the first book-length treatment on controversies surrounding noise control in Latin America"--

#### The Power of Fun

CATCHING-101: The Complete Guide for Baseball Catchers is the most comprehensive book ever written for baseball catchers. It contains tips, drills, and proper mechanics that will help every catcher or coach better understand the most difficult position on the field. This book contains information on EVERY aspect of catching that Coach Barksdale has learned through his years of experience from coaching nationally ranked NCAA teams, and playing at almost every level from Little League to professional baseball. A few of the topics covered in CATCHING-101 are: • Receiving • Blocking • Catching Pop Flies • Throwing • Fielding Bunts • Plays at Home Plate • Drills • Pitchouts • Pass Balls/Wild Pitches • Giving Signals • And More! If you have been searching for a source with lots of high quality information about catching, this is the book for you! CATCHING-101 was written by Coach Xan Barksdale who is currently an NCAA Division I baseball coach and an ex-professional baseball player. Coach Barksdale played in the Atlanta Braves organization and has been a featured speaker at the prestigious ABCA (American Baseball Coaches Association) national convention.

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