

Michael Jordan Legends In Sports

The story of legendary Jackie Robinson, the first African American to play major league baseball, is recounted in this title.

Don't miss this action-packed and informative look at the life and achievements of a basketball legend! Matt Christopher, the number one sports writer for kids, profiles basketball superstar Michael Jordan, covering his childhood, college career, rookie years, professional career highlights, and even his short stint in minor league baseball. Written in Matt Christopher's easy-to-read style and complete with incredible photos and Michael Jordan's key stats, this comprehensive biography will entertain and educate.

The New York Times Bestseller, updated With a New Introduction This is the 20th anniversary of the explosive bestseller that changed the way the world viewed one of the greatest athletes in history, revealing for the first time Michael Jordan's relentless drive to win anything and everything, at any cost. NBA Hall of Fame columnist Sam Smith had unlimited access to the team and its players during their championship 1991-92 season, which he details in the new introduction, along with candid revelations about his sources, and the reaction from Michael, his teammates, the media, and the fans when the book blasted onto the bestseller lists in 1992 (where it stayed for three months). With more than a million copies in print, The Jordan Rules remains the ultimate inside look at one of the most legendary teams in sports history.

Learn All About Michael Jordan and Lessons His Life Teaches Us in This Special Michael Jordan Book With Questions to Make Kids Smarter! Here's Just a Taste What You'll See In This Concise Michael Jordan Biography for Kids: Michael Jordan's Childhood Despite his eventual rise to become one of the most famous celebrities of all time, MJ came from humble beginnings. Born in Brooklyn, New York, Jordan moved to North Carolina as a toddler. MJ's father, James R. Jordan Sr. was a former air force man who also played semi-pro baseball. After studying airplane hydraulics in Brooklyn, James Jordan and his wife Deloris decided to move their family back to Wilmington, North Carolina to flee the increasingly dangerous neighborhoods of Brooklyn, NY. James and Deloris met at a basketball game in 1954. They quickly fell in love and dated for the next three years before getting married and welcoming their first child in 1957. While Michael was the most well-known of the kids, he was definitely not the only child. James and Deloris had five kids in total, three boys and two girls. Larry Jordan, James R. Jordan Jr., and Deloris Jordan were Michael's older siblings. MJ also had a younger sister named Roslyn. We can see the origins of MJ's competitive nature if we study his childhood, namely his early experiences with racism and competitions with his brothers. "At the time you had racism all over North Carolina -- all over the United States -- and it was a lot of it around here" said Jordan. "So, as a kid, it was like, this is where I don't want to be. I want to excel outside of this. So my motivation was to be something outside of Wilmington." MJ grew up wanting to use athletics as a vehicle to get to a better life. A life where he could journey far away from Wilmington and be able to distance himself from the racism he was experiencing. Question to Ponder: How do you think experiencing racism made MJ feel and impacted his life? How would you deal with racism in your own life? The other source of Jordan's competitiveness came from his older brother, Larry. Growing up, Larry was a better basketball player than Michael and was able to use his advantages in strength and size to best his younger sibling. Larry was also the most competitive of all his siblings. "When you come to blows with someone you absolutely love, that's igniting every fire within you. And I always felt like I was fighting Larry for my father's attention. ... When you're going through it, it's traumatic, because I want that. I want that approval, I want that type of confidence. So my determination got even greater to be as good if not better than my brother." Michael said. The quote shows a window into some of the pain that MJ grew up with. His life wasn't all flowers and daisies. He experienced racism, fought his siblings for his father's attention, and went through traumatic events. Yet what made MJ special was his ability to use painful events to fuel him and help him strive for a better life. He could have decided to stay home and refuse to play when his father favored his brother Larry, or when his community favored those with a different skin color. Instead Michael got up, worked hard, and achieved his dreams. Question to Ponder: Do you think it's okay to fight with your siblings? How can two siblings have a healthy rivalry while still loving each other? ...Scroll up and Buy Now to Read the Rest!

Unguarded

From the Life of Michael Jordan

How Sports Became a Business

The Legend of Michael Jordan

Dream Big

For use in schools and libraries only. Examines the life and basketball career of the high-scoring player with the Chicago Bulls, who made a brief attempt to play minor league baseball in 1994.

"Traces the life of one of the most legendary basketball players in the history of the sport, drawing upon interviews with Jordan's friends, family, and teammates, and following his career from college to the NBA."--Provide by publisher.

The #1 sports series for kids takes readers on the court and behind the scenes with beloved NBA icon Kobe Bryant in this inspiring biography. The son of Joe "Jellybean" Bryant, a former NBA player and star of various European teams, Kobe spent his childhood watching professional basketball. From the moment he could pick up a ball, he was learning to dribble and shoot. His basketball education was unique--a combination of lessons on basic fundamentals, one-on-one games against his dad, and observation and analysis of the world's best players. At age eighteen, Kobe was given the chance to prove his skills when he was drafted into the NBA. Fresh out of high school, Kobe showed that he had the talent and heart to make it in the pros. This biography traces Kobe's life from childhood to his part in the Lakers' 2000 NBA

championship, giving readers a courtside seat to the greatest achievements of one of basketball's legends.

The definitive biography of a legendary athlete. The Shrug. The Shot. The Flu Game. Michael Jordan is responsible for sublime moments so ingrained in sports history that they have their own names. When most people think of him, they think of his beautiful shots with the game on the line, his body totally in sync with the ball -- hitting nothing but net. But for all his greatness, this scion of a complex family from North Carolina's Coastal Plain has a darker side: he's a ruthless competitor and a lover of high stakes. There's never been a biography that encompassed the dual nature of his character and looked so deeply at Jordan on and off the court -- until now. Basketball journalist Roland Lazenby spent almost thirty years covering Michael Jordan's career in college and the pros. He witnessed Jordan's growth from a skinny rookie to the instantly recognizable global ambassador for basketball whose business savvy and success have millions of kids still wanting to be just like Mike. Yet Lazenby also witnessed the Michael Jordan whose drive and appetite are more fearsome and more insatiable than any of his fans could begin to know. Michael Jordan: The Life explores both sides of his personality to reveal the fullest, most compelling story of the man who is Michael Jordan. Lazenby draws on his personal relationships with Jordan's coaches; countless interviews with Jordan's friends, teammates, and family members; and interviews with Jordan himself to provide the first truly definitive study of Michael Jordan: the player, the icon, and the man.

Football Legends in the Making

NBA Legends on the Legacy of Michael Jordan

My Life in Sports

The Legends of Sports: Tiger Woods, Michael Jordan and Muhammad Ali - Sports Book for Kids | Children's Sports & Outdoors Books

On the Court With...Michael Jordan

Discover the amazing achievements of fan favorite two-time MVP Stephen Curry in this brand-new, comprehensive biography. Steph Curry is a two-time NBA Most Valuable Player, record-breaker, and Finals champion who electrifies fans with his incredible on-court feats. He's also a dedicated husband, father, and philanthropist who inspires people on and off the court. Learn more about this remarkable athlete in this biography, complete with stats and photographs.

An opinionated tour of the past, present, and future of pro basketball, written by ESPN's "Sports Guy" columnist, shares insights on everything from major NBA events and underrated players to how Hall of Famers should be selected.

Some of basketball's biggest names happen to be the NBA's greatest guards: Earvin "Magic" Johnson, Michael Jordan, Kobe Bryant, and Dwayne Wade just to name a few! Basketball fans will love Spotlight stats and informative boxes for each player. Not to mention great full-color and historic action photographs. Aligned to Common Core standards and correlated to state standards. SportsZone is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO. Girls have always enjoyed playing sports. But before Title IX, they did not always get the chance to play on school sports teams. Passed in 1972, the new law required that schools provide girls with equal opportunities to play sports. This nonfiction book explores the history and impact of Title IX, and engages students in reading as they build their comprehension, vocabulary, and literacy skills. Important text features include a glossary, index, and table of contents. The Reader's Guide and culminating activity direct students back to the text as they develop their higher-order thinking skills. Check It Out! provides resources for additional reading and learning. With TIME For Kids content, this book aligns with national and state standards and will keep students engaged in reading.

Kobe Bryant

Legendary Women in Sports Media

Sports for All: The Impact of Title IX

Legends in Sports

The Jordan Rules

From the age of nine years, Michael dreams of playing basketball for the United States in the Olympics, and with hard work and his mother's encouragement, he realizes his dream.

INSTANT NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER This unflinching "master class" (The New York Times) of a memoir from two-time Olympic gold medalist and NBA Hall of Famer reveals how Scottie Pippen, the youngest of twelve, overcame two family tragedies and universal disregard by college scouts to become an essential component of the greatest basketball dynasty of the last fifty years. Scottie Pippen has been called one of the greatest NBA players for good reason. Simply put, without Pippen, there are no championship banners—let alone six—hanging from the United Center rafters. There's no Last Dance documentary. There's no "Michael Jordan" as we know him. The 1990s Chicago Bulls teams would not exist as we know them. So how did the youngest of twelve go from growing up poor in the small town of Hamburg, Arkansas, enduring two family tragedies along the way, to become a revered NBA legend? How did the scrawny teen, overlooked by every major collegiate basketball program, go on to become the fifth overall pick in the 1987 NBA Draft? And, perhaps most compelling, how did Pippen set aside his ego (and his own limitless professional ceiling) in order for the Bulls to become the most dominant basketball dynasty of the last half century? In *Unguarded*, the six-time champion and two-time Olympic gold medalist finally opens up to offer pointed and transparent takes on Michael Jordan, Phil Jackson, and Dennis Rodman, among others. Pippen details how he cringed at being labeled Jordan's sidekick, and discusses how he could have (and should have) received more respect from the Bulls' management and the media. Pippen reveals never-before-told stories about some of the most famous games in league history, including the 1994 playoff game against the New York Knicks when he took himself out with 1.8 seconds to go. He discusses what it was like dealing with Jordan on a day-to-day basis, while serving as the facilitator for the offense and the anchor for the defense. Pippen is finally giving millions of adoring

basketball fans what they crave; an unvarnished, “closely observed, and uncommonly modest” (Kirkus Reviews) look into his life and role within one of the greatest, most popular teams of all time.

Thirty years after Michael Jordan’s first NBA game comes an oral history of his legendary career, told by the men who played with him and against him, coached him, and witnessed first-hand the iconic greatness of the most dominant athlete sports has ever seen. Featuring interviews with: Larry Bird • Magic Johnson • Phil Jackson • Reggie Miller • Isiah Thomas • Reggie Theus • Chris Mullin • Doug Collins • Dominique Wilkins • Steve Kerr • John Paxson • David Stern • Gregg Popovich • Derek Harper • Bill Walton • Karl Malone • Horace Grant • Joe Dumars • Danny Ainge • B.J. Armstrong • Marv Albert • Grant Hill • Jerry Colangelo • Bill Cartwright • Jerry Reinsdorf • Johnny Bach • Rod Thorn • Rick Barry • Kevin Loughery • David Axelrod • President Barack Obama • and many more! Written by Sam Smith—author of the New York Times bestseller THE JORDAN RULES and recent inductee into the NBA Hall of Fame—THERE IS NO NEXT assembles a cast of Hall-of-Famers, teammates, opponents, coaches, and others who experienced the ferocious drive and unparalleled greatness that defined Jordan’s career. Packed with previously untold stories and stunning insight into Jordan and his six championships, THERE IS NO NEXT is the last word on why there has never been, and will never be, another Michael Jordan.

In this fun top-ten book, readers will learn all about basketball's biggest stars! With exciting photos, interesting stats, and more, sports fans will find plenty to cheer about.

Who Is Michael Jordan?

Michael Jordan

Fun Facts and Quizzes

Best NBA Forwards of All Time

An Inspirational Biography and Lessons of a Basketball Legend for Children, Young Adults, and Kids

Chronicles the history of the Chicago Bulls professional basketball team.

Offers highlights and entertaining facts from twenty of the greatest Super Bowls in the history of professional football.

Interviews with sports stars, activists, surviving family members, and others fighting racial injustice: “Before Kaepernick, there was Etan Thomas.”—TheNew York Times A Library Journal Best Book of the Year Professional athletes have long been influential figures in American life. Today, many of them are using their platforms to speak up about injustice and inequality. This book features interviews by former NBA player Etan Thomas with over fifty athletes, executives, media figures, and more—interwoven with essays and critiques by Thomas. Includes personal stories and opinions from: Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Bill Russell, Dwyane Wade, Russell Westbrook, Steve Kerr, Oscar Robertson, Mark Cuban, Michael Bennett, Carmelo Anthony, Derrick Rose, Swin Cash, Alonzo Mourning, Chris Webber, Jemele Hill, Anquan Boldin, Jamal Crawford, Juwan Howard, Ray Jackson, Shannon Sharpe, James Blake, John Carlos, Laila Ali, Michael Eric Dyson, Joakim Noah, Eric Reid, Adam Silver, Soledad O'Brien, John Wall, Mahmoud Abdul-Rauf, Bradley Beal, Tamika Catchings, Curtis Conway, Harry Edwards, Chris Hayes, Chamique Holdscaw, Scoop Jackson, Bomani Johnes, Shaun King, Jimmy King, Ted Leonsis, Thabo Sefolosha, Ilyasah Shabazz, Torrey Smith, Kenny Smith, Michael Smith, David West, Michael Wilbon, Jahvaris Fulton (brother of Trayvon Martin), Emerald Snipes (daughter of Eric Garner), Allysza Castile (sister of Philando Castile), Valerie Castile (mother of Philando Castile), and Dr. Tiffany Crutcher (sister of Terence Crutcher) “In We Matter, Thomas strives to show the influence professional athletes can have when they join the conversation on race, politics, and civil rights. Thomas conducted 50 interviews, which included Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Bill Russell, Laila Ali, Michael Bennett, and Eric Reid, among many other athletes, as well as journalists, television personalities, and family members of unarmed black men who were shot and killed. Thomas also explored his ties with the Wizards and spoke with John Wall, Bradley Beal, and current majority team owner Ted Leonsis.”—TheWashington Post “The honest conversations, published in transcript form and often accompanied by black-and-white photos, serve as a primer on recent police violence cases, a history lesson on the first athletes who stood up for racial injustice, an examination of the experience of being young and black in the United States, and an insightful look at how it feels to lose a loved one to tragedy, from contributors such as Jemele Hill, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, and Carmelo Anthony...An important read, executed uniquely.”—School Library Journal (starred review) “Voices of pain, anger, and hope resound through these pages--and through the reader's heart.”—Kirkus Reviews

This exciting book introduces readers to the life and career of basketball star Ja Morant. Colorful spreads, fun facts, interesting sidebars, and a map of important places in his life make this a thrilling read for young sports fans.

On the Court with ... Kobe Bryant

The Book of Basketball

The Inside Story of Michael Jordan and the Chicago Bulls

The NBA According to the Sports Guy

There Is No Next

An introduction to the life and career of Michael Jordan follows his early childhood struggles and his history-making sports triumphs, in an easy-to-read book that provides fifteen full-color photographs. Original.

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Discover the amazing achievements of sports legend Serena Williams--on and off the tennis court--in this exciting new biography. Serena Williams has been ranked number one in the world for tennis singles,

won twenty-two Grand Slam singles titles, and won four Olympic gold medals. She is a powerful player and a fierce competitor. Learn more about the record-breaking athlete in this comprehensive and action-packed biography, complete with stats and photographs.

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Legends in Sports Michael Jordan

On the Court with...Stephen Curry

Chicago Bulls

Michael Jordan and the Pursuit of Excellence

Jump!

When he was a boy in North Carolina, Michael Jordan dreamed of being a sports star. But he could never have dreamed how successful he would really become. Michael Jordan is one of the most amazing athletes of all time. His basketball career has been one great achievement after another: the last minute shot that clinched his college team's NCAA title, glory with the Olympic Dream Team, a long reign as the NBA's top scorer, and many championship seasons with the Chicago Bulls.

Maybe your dad have mentioned Tiger Woods, Michael Jordan and Muhammad Ali but didn't go into detail of who they are. Now is your chance to dig deeper into the lives of these legends and the sports that they dominated in. Studying other people's lives will inspire you and motivate you to follow in their footsteps.

Grab a copy now!

Did you know soccer star Cristiano Ronaldo's legs are insured for about \$148 million? Or that Seattle Seahawks fans have cheered so loudly they've actually caused an earthquake? Fun facts like these await in this page-turning, wow-inspiring, mind-blowing look at sports trivia! You'll learn who made the first slam dunk in basketball and who holds the record for throwing the fastest fastball—and just how fast that speeding ball traveled. Get ready to be amazed!

Traces the single-generation transformation of sports from a cottage industry to a global business, reflecting on how elite athletes, agents, TV executives, coaches, owners, and athletes who once had to take second jobs worked together to create the dominating, big-ticket industry of today.

Best NBA Guards of All Time

Legends: the Best Players, Games, and Teams in Football

Serena Williams

Incredible Sports Trivia

Babe Ruth

Get to know some of the greatest NBA forwards, past and present. Featuring Bob Pettit, Larry Bird, Kevin Garnett, LeBron James, and more, this title is sure to excite! Basketball fans will love Spotlight stats and informative boxes for each player. Not to mention great full-color and historic action photographs. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. SportsZone is an imprint of Abdo Publishing Company.

Profiles some of the best football players in the game today, including Calvin Johnson, Matt Ryan, and Adrian Peterson.

From the first women who broke through the glass ceiling to the superstars of the modern media environment, *Legendary Women in Sports Media* tells the stories of the women who fought for equality in sports journalism and inspired a new generation of female sports reporters.

Ever since he joined the sports department of the Boston Globe in 1968, sports enthusiasts have been blessed with the writing and reporting of Bob Ryan. Tony Kornheiser calls him the "quintessential American sportswriter." For the past twenty-five years, he has also been a regular on various ESPN shows, especially *The Sports Reporters*, spreading his knowledge and enthusiasm for sports of all kinds. Born in 1946 in Trenton, New Jersey, Ryan cut his teeth going with his father to the Polo Grounds and Connie Mack Stadium, and to college basketball games at the Palestra in Philadelphia when it was the epicenter of the college game. As a young man, he became sports editor of his high school paper—and at age twenty-three, a year into his Boston Globe experience, he was handed the Boston Celtics beat as the Bill Russell era ended and the Dave Cowens one began. His all-star career was launched. Ever since, his insight as a reporter and skills as a writer have been matched by an ability to connect with people-players, management, the reading public—probably because, at heart, he has always been as much a fan as a reporter. More than anything, *Scribe* reveals the people behind the stories, as only Bob Ryan can, from the NBA to eleven Olympics to his surprising favorite sport to cover—golf—and much more. It is sure to be one of the most talked-about sports books of 2014, by one of the sports world's most admired journalists.

Players

LeBron James Vs. Michael Jordan

All About Michael Jordan

We Matter

Scribe

In a career that spanned over thirty years, George Herman "Babe" Ruth changed the way the sport of baseball was played. He was the first true power hitter, a strong pitcher, and in the outfield made some amazing game-saving catches. His love of the sport shined through in the way he laughed while jogging around the bases, in how he kidded and horsed around with teammates, and in his overall determination to win. But there was a darker side to Babe, one that nearly ruined his career - and his life. In the end, however, Ruth managed to overcome his personal demons, recapture his health, and go on to lead his beloved Yankees to championship status. Simply put, there has never been another player like the Babe. This comprehensive biography of one of baseball's most memorable legends also comes with photos.

A brief biography of the popular basketball player, Michael Jordan.

After endless practice hours on the court, a young Michael Jordan reached the day when his moves were as good as his older brother Larry, and so challenged him to a game for all to see--becoming the victor to the surprise of his family.

This title compares classic star Michael Jordan and contemporary champion LeBron James. From scoring and rebounding to defense and leadership, chapters explore and compare each player's skills on the court. The title also features end-of-chapter fact boxes for side-by-side player comparison, as well as a glossary. It will be up to the reader to decide who is the all-time basketball hero. SportsZone is an imprint of Abdo Publishing Company.

Michael Jordan, LeBron James, and More

Basketball's G.O.A.T.

The Inspiring Story of One of Basketball's Greatest Players

The Life

Jackie Robinson

Michael Jordan is indisputably basketball's greatest superstar. The Chicago Bulls legend left his mark on the game as a larger-than-life competitor who dazzled the world, pushed the boundaries of his sport, and never settled for anything less than the best. The Legend of Michael Jordan contains essential facts and stories all basketball fans should know, plus inspiring quotes and brilliant photos. Learn about MJ's early days growing up in North Carolina, his six NBA championships with the Bulls, the impact he had on fashion and pop culture, and how his unparalleled talent and work ethic inspired people around the world to "be like Mike."

Athletes and Activism

Ja Morant: Basketball Star