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Things That Make White People Uncomfortable - Michael Bennett 2019-09-03

Michael Bennett is a Super Bowl Champion, a three-time Pro Bowl defensive end, a fearless activist, a feminist, a grassroots philanthropist, an organizer, and a change maker. He's also one of the most scathingly humorous athletes on the planet, and he wants to make you uncomfortable. Bennett adds his unmistakable voice to discussions of racism and police violence, Black athletes and their relationship to powerful institutions like the NCAA and the NFL, the role of protest in history, and the responsibilities of athletes as role models to speak out against injustice. Following in the footsteps of activist-athletes from Muhammad Ali to Colin Kaepernick, Bennett demonstrates his outspoken leadership both on and off the field. Written with award-winning sportswriter and author Dave Zirin, *Things that Make White*

People Uncomfortable is a sports book for our turbulent times, a memoir, and a manifesto as hilarious and engaging as it is illuminating.

Why We Kneel How We Rise - Michael Holding 2021-06-24

WINNER OF THE WILLIAM HILL SPORTS BOOK OF THE YEAR PRIZE 2021 WINNER OF THE SUNDAY TIMES SPORTS BOOK AWARDS BOOK OF THE YEAR THE TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES SPORTS BOOK OF THE YEAR THE HIGHLY ACCLAIMED SUNDAY TIMES BESTSELLER 'The best book about racism I've ever read' Piers Morgan Through the prism of sport and conversations with its legends, including Usain Bolt, Adam Goodes, Thierry Henry, Michael Johnson, Ibtihaj Muhammad, Makhaya Ntini, Naomi Osaka and Hope Powell, Michael Holding explains how racism dehumanises people; how it works to achieve that end; how it has been ignored by history and

historians; and what it is like to be treated differently just because of the colour of your skin. Rarely can a rain delay in a cricket match have led to anything like the moment when Holding spoke out in the wake of the #BlackLivesMatter protests about the racism he has suffered and has seen all around him throughout his life. But as he spoke, he sought not only to educate but to propose a way forward that inspired so many. Within minutes, he was receiving calls from famous sports stars from around the world offering to help him to spread the message further. Now, in *Why We Kneel, How We Rise*, Holding shares his story together with those of some of the most iconic athletes in the world. He delivers a powerful and inspiring message of hope for the future and a vision for change, and takes you through history to understand the racism of today. He adds: 'To say I was surprised at the volume of positive feedback I received from around the world after my comments on Sky Sports is an understatement. I came to realise I couldn't just stop there; I had to take it forward - hence the book, as I believe education is the way forward.'

Commodity Activism - Roopali Mukherjee
2012-02

Buying (RED) products—from Gap T-shirts to Apple—to fight AIDS. Drinking a “Caring Cup” of coffee at the Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf to support fair trade. Driving a Toyota Prius to fight global warming. All these commonplace activities point to a central feature of contemporary culture: the most common way we participate in social activism is by buying something. Roopali Mukherjee and Sarah Banet-Weiser have gathered an exemplary group of scholars to explore this new landscape through a series of case studies of “commodity activism.” Drawing from television, film, consumer activist campaigns, and cultures of celebrity and corporate patronage, the essays take up examples such as the Dove “Real Beauty” campaign, sex positive retail activism, ABC’s *Extreme Home Makeover*, and Angelina Jolie as multinational celebrity missionary. Exploring the complexities embedded in contemporary political activism, *Commodity Activism* reveals the workings of power and resistance as well as citizenship and subjectivity in the neoliberal era. Refusing to simply position politics in opposition

to consumerism, this collection teases out the relationships between material cultures and political subjectivities, arguing that activism may itself be transforming into a branded commodity.

Thursday Night Lights - Michael Hurd
2017-10-11

The history of black high school football in segregated Texas: “Though this book is long overdue, it is also right on time.” —Texas Observer At a time when “Friday night lights” shone only on white high school football games, African American teams across Texas burned up the gridiron on Wednesday and Thursday nights. Temple Dunbar, Austin Anderson, and other segregated high schools in the Prairie View Interscholastic League—the African American counterpart of the University Interscholastic League, which excluded black schools from membership until 1967—created an exciting brand of football that produced hundreds of outstanding players, many of whom became college All-Americans, All-Pros, and Pro Football Hall of Famers, including NFL greats such as “Mean” Joe Green, Otis Taylor, Dick “Night Train” Lane, Ken Houston, and Bubba Smith. *Thursday Night Lights* tells the inspiring, largely unknown story of African American high school football in Texas. Drawing on interviews, newspaper stories, and memorabilia, Michael Hurd introduces the players, coaches, schools, and towns where African Americans built powerhouse football programs under the PVIL leadership. He covers fifty years of history, including championship seasons and legendary rivalries such as the annual Turkey Day Classic game between Houston schools Jack Yates and Phillis Wheatley, which drew standing-room-only crowds of up to 40,000. In telling this story, Hurd explains why the PVIL was necessary, traces its development, and shows how football offered a potent source of pride and ambition in the black community, helping black kids succeed both athletically and educationally in a racist society. “[A] groundbreaking book.” —Houston Chronicle “In America’s current Colin Kaepernick-inspired moment, with sports once again taking on a conspicuous role in debates about black citizenship and the persistence of white racism, this book is especially timely and important.” —Great Plains Quarterly
Colin Kaepernick - Eric Braun 2019

Former NFL quarterback Colin Kaepernick drew positive and negative attention for kneeling during the national anthem to protest police violence against minorities in 2016. Two years later, he made headlines again when he became a spokesperson for Nike. Explore Kaepernick's football career and his work as an activist.

The Revolt of the Black Athlete - Harry Edwards 2017-05-02

The Revolt of the Black Athlete hit sport and society like an Ali combination. This Fiftieth Anniversary edition of Harry Edwards's classic of activist scholarship arrives even as a new generation engages with the issues he explored. Edwards's new introduction and afterword revisit the revolts by athletes like Muhammad Ali, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Tommie Smith, and John Carlos. At the same time, he engages with the struggles of a present still rife with racism, double-standards, and economic injustice. Again relating the rebellion of black athletes to a larger spirit of revolt among black citizens, Edwards moves his story forward to our era of protests, boycotts, and the dramatic politicization of athletes by Black Lives Matter. Incisive yet ultimately hopeful, The Revolt of the Black Athlete is the still-essential study of the conflicts at the interface of sport, race, and society.

Colin Kaepernick - Bill Redban 2014-03-03

A brief biography of quarterback Colin Kaepernick.

The Circus Is in Town - Lisa Doris Alexander 2022-01-17

Contributions by Lisa Doris Alexander, Matthew H. Barton, Andrew C. Billings, Carlton Brick, Ted M. Butryn, Brian Carroll, Arthur T. Challis, Roxane Coche, Curtis M. Harris, Jay Johnson, Melvin Lewis, Jack Lule, Rory Magrath, Matthew A. Masucci, Andrew McIntosh, Jorge E. Moraga, Leigh M. Moscovitz, David C. Ogden, Joel Nathan Rosen, Kevin A. Stein, and Henry Yu In this fifth book on sport and the nature of reputation, editors Lisa Doris Alexander and Joel Nathan Rosen have tasked their contributors with examining reputation from the perspective of celebrity and spectacle, which in some cases can be better defined as scandal. The subjects chronicled in this volume have all proven themselves to exist somewhere on the spectacular spectrum—the spotlight seemed

always to gravitate toward them. All have displayed phenomenal feats of athletic prowess and artistry, and all have faced a controversy or been thrust into a situation that grows from age-old notions of the spectacle. Some handled the hoopla like the champions they are, or were, while others struggled and even faded amid the hustle and flow of their runaway celebrity. While their individual narratives are engrossing, these stories collectively paint a portrait of sport and spectacle that offers context and clarity. Written by a range of scholarly contributors from multiple disciplines, *The Circus Is in Town: Sport, Celebrity, and Spectacle* contains careful analysis of such megastars as LeBron James, Tonya Harding, David Beckham, Shaquille O'Neal, Maria Sharapova, and Colin Kaepernick. This final volume of a project that has spanned the first three decades of the twenty-first century looks to sharpen questions regarding how it is that reputations of celebrity athletes are forged, maintained, transformed, repurposed, destroyed, and at times rehabilitated. The subjects in this collection have been driven by this notion of the spectacle in ways that offer interesting and entertaining inquiry into the arc of athletic reputations.

Protesting on Bended Knee - Eric Burin 2018-10-12

"That a marketing campaign showcasing Kaepernick could roil emotions and dominate headlines testifies to the electrifying nature of his historic crusade against inequality generally and police brutality particularly. Kaepernick began protesting these matters on the field of play in August 2016, when he was a San Francisco 49ers' quarterback, doing so initially by sitting and later by kneeling during the national anthem. Others followed suit. These gestures incited a national furor, and several of this volume's essays were originally published during that tumultuous period. [...] All of the essays offer perceptive insights about the protests; collectively, they provide a panoramic view of them; most importantly, they show, as does the Introduction, that this tale, with its vast cast and varied scenes, with its knotty conundrums that could not be undone perhaps by any means, was but the latest chapter in a still-grand saga, that of black Americans' fight for freedom, an epic struggle that has

necessitated many sacrificing some and some sacrificing everything"--Introduction.

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2022-05-03

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We Will Win the Day: The Civil Rights Movement, the Black Athlete, and the Quest for Equality - Louis Moore 2017-09-21

This exceedingly timely book looks at the history of black activist athletes and the important role of the black community in making sure fair play existed, not only in sports, but across U.S. society. • Offers the first significant synthesis covering the black athlete and the Civil Rights Movement • Provides a history of activist African American athletes, examining the central role the black athlete and sports played in shaping America's democracy from 1945 through the late 1960s • Discusses the role the black press and the black community played in integrating sports • Links stars like Jackie Robinson and Althea Gibson to athletes who are largely forgotten, like boxer Joe Dorsey who fought Louisiana's ban on integrated sports, and Maggie Hathaway who paved the way for integrated golf in Los Angeles
The Game Before the Money - Jackson Michael
2014-09-01

"Oral history from players and coaches detailing the NFL from the late 1930s through the 1970s"-

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Rise of the Black Quarterback - Jason Reid
2022-08-02

In September 2019, ESPN's The Undefeated website (now Andscape) began a season-long series of articles on the emergence of Black quarterbacks in the NFL. The first article in the series was Jason Reid's enormously popular, "Welcome to the Year of the Black Quarterback." The series culminated with an hour-long television program in February 2020, hosted by Reid himself. The Rise of the Black Quarterback: What It Means for America will expand on Reid's piece--as well as the entire series--and chronicle the shameful history of the treatment of Black players in the NFL and the breakout careers of a thrilling new generation of Black quarterbacks. Intimate portraits of Colin Kaepernick, Patrick Mahomes, Lamar Jackson, and Kyler Murray feature prominently in the book, as well as the careers and legacy of beloved NFL players such as Doug Williams and trailblazing pioneers Marlin Briscoe and Eldridge Dickey. Reid delves deeply into the culture war ignited by Kaepernick's peaceful protest that shone a light on systemic oppression and police brutality. Fascinating and timely, this page-turning account will rivet fans of sports, cultural commentary, and Black history in America.

Big Game - Mark Leibovich 2019-08-27

"A raucous, smash-mouth, first-person takedown of the National Football League." —Wall Street Journal
The New York Times bestseller From the #1 New York Times bestselling author of This Town, an equally merciless probing of America's biggest cultural force, pro football, at a moment of peak success and high anxiety Like millions of Americans, Mark Leibovich has spent more of his life tuned into pro football than he'd care to admit. Being a lifelong New England Patriots fan meant growing up on a steady diet of lovable loserdom. That is, until the Tom Brady/Bill Belichick era made the Pats the most ruthlessly efficient and polarizing sports dynasty of the modern NFL, and its fans the most irritating in all of Pigskin America. Leibovich kept his obsession quiet, making a nice career for himself covering that other playground for rich and overgrown children, American politics. Still, every now and then Leibovich would reach out to Tom Brady to gauge his willingness to subject

himself to a profile. He figured that the chances of Brady agreeing were a Hail Mary at best, but Brady returned Mark's call in summer 2014 and kept on returning his calls through epic Patriots Super Bowl victory and defeat, and a scandal involving Brady--Deflategate--whose grip on sports media was as profound as its true significance was ridiculous. So began a four-year odyssey that took Mark Leibovich deeper inside the NFL than anyone has gone before. From the owners' meeting to the draft to the sidelines of crucial games, he takes in the show at the elbow of everyone from Brady to big-name owners to the cordially despised NFL Commissioner, Roger Goodell. Ultimately, *BIG GAME* is a chronicle of "peak football"--the high point of the sport's economic success and cultural dominance, but also the time when the dark side began to show. It is an era of explosive revenue growth, but also one of creeping existential fear. Players have long joked that NFL stands for "not for long," but as the true impact of concussions becomes inescapable background noise, it's increasingly difficult to enjoy the simple glory of football without the buzz-kill of its obvious consequences. And that was before Donald Trump. In 2016, Mark's day job caught up with him, and the NFL slammed headlong into America's culture wars. *Big Game* is a journey through an epic storm. Through it all, Leibovich always keeps one eye on Tom Brady and his beloved Patriots, through to the 2018 Super Bowl. Pro football, this hilarious and enthralling book proves, may not be the sport America needs, but it is most definitely the sport we deserve.

Building Corporate Identity, Image and Reputation in the Digital Era - T C Melewar
2021-07-30

Brands - corporate, products, service - today are collectively defined by their customers, deriving from personal experiences and word of mouth. This book acts as a forum for examining current and future trends in corporate branding, identity, image and reputation. Recognising the complexity and plurality at the heart of the corporate branding discipline, this book fills a gap in the literature by posing a number of original research questions on the intrinsic nature of corporate branding ideas from corporate (external) and organisation (internal)

identity perspectives as they relate to brand management, corporate reputation, marketing communications, social media, smart technology, experiential and sensory marketing. It incorporates current thinking and developments by both multidisciplinary academics and practitioners, combining a comprehensive theoretical foundation with practical insights. The text will serve as an important resource for the marketing, identity and brand practitioners requiring more than anecdotal evidence on the structure and operation of stakeholders communication in different geographical areas. It determines current practices and researches in diverse areas, regions and commercial and non-commercial sectors across the world. The book provides scholars, researchers and postgraduate students in business and marketing with a comprehensive treatment of the nature of relationships between companies, brands and stakeholders in different areas and regions of the world.

What Should the NFL Do about Colin Kaepernick? - Rhema D. Fuller 2018

As an intercollegiate and NFL football player, Colin Kaepernick has achieved a level of distinction that few have accomplished. Yet, despite his many accolades, Kaepernick was not signed to an NFL franchise for the entirety of the 2017/2018 NFL season. Many point to the controversial activities he engaged in during the 2016/2017 NFL season as the reason why this was the case. During this season, Kaepernick gained notoriety when he infamously refused to stand during the playing of the national anthem before NFL games. This case study requires students to take on a fictional consulting role with an NFL team that is considering whether to sign Kaepernick to a future NFL contract.

Raise a Fist, Take a Knee - John Feinstein
2021-11-16

Based on dozens of shocking interviews with some of the most influential names in sports, this is the urgent and revelatory examination of racial inequality in professional athletics America has been waiting for. Commentators, coaches, and fans alike have long touted the diverse rosters of leagues like the NFL and MLB as sterling examples of a post-racial America. Yet decades after Tommie Smith and John Carlos raised their fists in a display of Black power and

pride, and years after Colin Kaepernick shocked the world by kneeling for the national anthem, the role Black athletes and coaches are expected to perform—both on and off the field—still can be determined as much by stereotype and old-fashion ideology as ability and performance. Whether it's the pre-game moments of resistance, the lack of diversity among coaching and managerial staff, or the consistent undervaluation of Black quarterbacks, racial politics impact every aspect of every sport being played—yet the gigantic salaries and glitzy lifestyles of pro athletes often disguise the ugly truths of how minority players are treated and discarded by their White bosses. John Feinstein crisscrossed the country to secure personal interviews with quarterbacks, coaches, and more, revealing the stories none of us have heard (but all of us should know). Seventy-five years after Jackie Robinson broke baseball's color line, race is still a central and defining factor of America's professional sports leagues. With an encyclopedic knowledge of professional sports, and shrewd cultural criticism, bestselling and award-winning author John Feinstein uncovers not just why, but how, pro sports continue to perpetuate racial inequality. "None of us are trying to make race an issue. Race IS an issue." (From the Foreword by Doug Williams)

Colin Kaepernick - Maurice I. Crawford
2017-10-27

Colin Kaepernick's decision to take a knee has cost him his job and money. His stand is within his rights as a United States citizen. However, the position he has taken is presented by some as disrespect to the country. Freedom of speech is a right to every citizen. Politics and Sports....Like water and oil.... They don't mix at all. Imagine that you wanted to get your point across in such a way that everyone would see your obvious point. There are millions of people watching football every Sunday. The perfect time to make a point would be during the American national anthem. The flag and the national anthem is not the focus here. It's not about disrespecting the flag or the American national anthem. It's about the injustices in America against people of color. America has a historical problem, and that problem is racism. Until we deal with the problem, America is going

to continue to erode as a society. There has to be a reasonable solution to the race issue. We have to start to heal our wounds in America. America wants to be great again. To move forward, America has to deal with race and racism. As ugly as it is we must come to terms with it. Our future depends on it. Politics is not the solution. Too many times we put the responsibility on our politicians. The American people must solve this age-old problem. Our future generations deserve a chance to live in better America.

Aaron Rodgers - Clayton Geoffreys 2015-07-05
"In Aaron Rodgers: The inspiring story of one of football's greatest Quarterbacks, you'll read about he inspirational story of football's star, Aaron Rodgers. This short unauthorized biography of Aaron Rodgers highlights the greatest moments of his career since starting in the league as the backup to the great Brett Favre. Aaron Rodgers remains on of the most effective quarterbacks to play professional football, and an inspiring leader for the Packers. In this book, we'll explore Aaron Rodger's journey to the NFL, as well as his impact on the game."--Cover.

Colin Kaepernick: the Inspiring Story of One of Football's Greatest Quarterbacks - Clayton Geoffreys 2015-09-16

Learn the Incredible Story of San Francisco 49er Colin Kaepernick! Read on your PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or Kindle device! In Colin Kaepernick: The Inspiring Story of One of Football's Greatest Quarterbacks, you'll read about the inspirational story of football's star, Colin Kaepernick. This short unauthorized biography of Colin Kaepernick highlights the greatest moments of his career. Colin Kaepernick risen one of the best young quarterbacks, holding several league records in rushing yards for quarterbacks in the post season. In this book, we'll explore Colin Kaepernick's journey to the NFL, as well as his impact on the game. Here is a preview of what is inside this book: Childhood and Early Life High School Years College Years at University of Nevada Colin's NFL Career Colin Kaepernick's Legacy and Future An excerpt from the book: Colin Kaepernick continued to develop his overall athleticism by becoming a three-sport athlete at Pitman High School in Turlock. He played football in the fall, basketball in the

winter, and baseball in the spring. Two of the three would eventually become his standout sports. Kaepernick didn't have to do much as a quarterback at first. In fact, the Pride was known as a running team with a few powerful backs. In his game as a starter on September 9, 2004, Kaepernick only had five attempts with two completions - one of which was a 21-yard pass for a first quarter touchdown. But the team was led by junior-back Anthony Harding's 233 yards, and senior-back Mark Runyan's 117 yards as Pitman combined for 471 rushing yards in a 46-36 win at home against Kennedy High School (Sacramento). One week later, Kaepernick began to show how good of an arm he had when he went 14-for-20 for 203 yards and three touchdowns in a 19-7 victory over Johansen High School (Modesto) on September 17, 2004. The games would flip between whether the Pride would focus more on the rushing attack, or let Kaepernick have the opportunities to throw. His final numbers at the end of the season were 1,051 passing yards, 13 touchdowns, and four interceptions. Kaepernick helped the Pitman Pride to an 8-3 record in his junior season that ended on November 19, 2004 against West High School from Tracy, California - a state playoff game where they lost 35-21. Kaepernick was 14-for-27 for 171 yards, one touchdown, and one interception. Tags: Colin Kaepernick, Eli Manning, Tom Brady, Andrew Luck, Aaron Rodgers, Drew Brees, Brett Favre, Peyton Manning, San Francisco 49ers, NFL books, football books

Work Won't Love You Back - Sarah Jaffe
2021-01-26

A deeply-reported examination of why "doing what you love" is a recipe for exploitation, creating a new tyranny of work in which we cheerily acquiesce to doing jobs that take over our lives. You're told that if you "do what you love, you'll never work a day in your life." Whether it's working for "exposure" and "experience," or enduring poor treatment in the name of "being part of the family," all employees are pushed to make sacrifices for the privilege of being able to do what we love. In *Work Won't Love You Back*, Sarah Jaffe, a preeminent voice on labor, inequality, and social movements, examines this "labor of love" myth—the idea that certain work is not really work, and therefore

should be done out of passion instead of pay. Told through the lives and experiences of workers in various industries—from the unpaid intern, to the overworked teacher, to the nonprofit worker and even the professional athlete—Jaffe reveals how all of us have been tricked into buying into a new tyranny of work. As Jaffe argues, understanding the trap of the labor of love will empower us to work less and demand what our work is worth. And once freed from those binds, we can finally figure out what actually gives us joy, pleasure, and satisfaction. *Football's Fearless Activists* - Mike Freeman
2020-09-15

For the first time, here is the full story of the NFL player protests that rocked a nation and turned our country upside down. This is the players' side, one that has largely been ignored by the media. On September 1, 2016, Colin Kaepernick took a knee before a preseason game. Little did he, nor anyone else, know the ramifications from that decision. Since being exiled from the National Football League, Kaepernick has stood strong against all those who have attacked him. He and others who took a knee against racial inequality and police brutality have been ridiculed, mocked, threatened, and some have even lost their jobs. They have feared for their safety and that of their loved ones. But what made Kaepernick kneel, and the entire country turn a silent protest into a national pandemic? One person: President Donald Trump. For the first time, veteran journalist Mike Freeman sits down with those directly involved in the protests—the players—to find out how things really went down. Readers will learn why they decided to protest, how racism and the murdering of innocent men of color directly affected them, how the politics of protest affected their professional and personal lives, and if anything has even changed for the better. Including interviews with Colin Kaepernick, Eric Reid, Kenny Stills, Michael Bennett, Richard Sherman, and numerous others, see first-hand how the media, President Trump, and the National Football League took a peaceful message for change and turned it on its head. They changed the narrative, accusing these men of being "anti-America," "anti-military," and "disrespecting the flag." In *Football's Fearless Activists*, Freeman

offers an opportunity to understand what these protests meant to the players, and how the hatred from the media, President, NFL owners, and some Americans was not only unwarranted, but anti-American.

Kneel - Candace Buford 2021-09-14

"A must read. 10/10." —Broderick Hunter, actor, model, and activist This fearless debut novel explores racism, injustice, and self-expression through the story of a promising Black football star in Louisiana. The system is rigged. For guys like Russell Boudreaux, football is the only way out of their small town. As the team's varsity tight end, Rus has a singular goal: to get a scholarship and play on the national stage. But when his best friend is unfairly arrested and kicked off the team, Rus faces an impossible choice: speak up or live in fear. "Please rise for the national anthem." Desperate for change, Rus kneels during the national anthem. In one instant, he falls from local stardom and becomes a target for hatred. But he's not alone. With the help of his best friend and an unlikely ally, Rus will fight for his dreams, and for justice. "A gripping story about what it looks like when we demand equity, justice, and recognition of our own humanity." —Kalynn Bayron, author of *Cinderella Is Dead*

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Colin Kaepernick's story in this addition to the New York Times bestselling series.

Gym Candy - Carl Deuker 2008-09-22

"Look, Mick," he said, "you're going to find out from somebody in the gym, so you might as well find out from me. Those supplements you're taking? They might get you a little bigger, but just a little. If you're after serious results, there's other stuff that produces better results much faster, stuff that a lot of guys in the gym use." "What other stuff?" "You know what I'm talking about—gym candy." Runningback Mick Johnson has dreams: dreams of cutting back, finding the hole, breaking into the open, and running free with nothing but green grass ahead. He has dreams of winning and of being the best. But football is a cruel sport. It requires power, grace, speed, quickness, and knowledge of the game. It takes luck, too. One crazy bounce can turn a likely victory into sudden defeat. What elite athlete wouldn't look for an edge? A way to make him bigger, stronger, faster? This novel explores the dark corners of the heart of a young football player as he struggles for success under the always glaring—and often unforgiving—stadium lights.

The Kaepernick Effect - Dave Zirin 2021-09-14
Riveting and inspiring first-person stories of how "taking a knee" triggered a political awakening among athletes of all ages and levels, from the celebrated sportswriter "With profiles of courage that leap of the page, Zirin uncovers a whole national movement of citizen-athletes fighting for racial justice." —Ibram X. Kendi, National Book Award-winning author of *Stamped from the Beginning* Hailed by Publishers Weekly in a starred review as "an enthralling look at the impact of peaceful protest by sports figures at the high school, college, and professional levels," *The Kaepernick Effect* explores the story of how quarterback Colin Kaepernick's simple act of "taking a knee" spread like wildfire throughout American society, becoming the preeminent public symbol of resistance to America's persistent racial inequality. In this powerful book, critically acclaimed sports journalist and author Dave Zirin chronicles "the Kaepernick effect" for the first time, through "a riveting collection of first-person stories" (*The Nation*) from high school athletes and coaches, college stars and high-

powered athletic directors, and professional athletes across many different sports—from Megan Rapinoe to Michael Bennett. In each case, he uncovers the fascinating explanations and motivations behind what became a mass political movement in sports. “Necessary reading for all, especially those who want to make a difference in promoting social justice, equity, and inclusion, and end police brutality” (Library Journal, starred review), *The Kaepernick Effect* is for anyone seeking to get involved in the new movement for racial justice in America: “Take a knee, everyone, and start a revolution” (Kirkus Reviews).

Young Kap - Kingsley Osei 2020-01-11

Focusing on the social and political stance taken by former NFL star, Colin Kaepernick, the latest children's book release by author Kingsley Osei, entitled, "Young Kap," delves into his passionate sense of activism and protests by kneeling during the national anthem in 2016.

NFL Football - Richard C. Crepeau 2020-09-14

A multi-billion-dollar entertainment empire, the National Football League is a coast-to-coast obsession that borders on religion and dominates our sports-mad culture. But today's NFL also provides a stage for playing out important issues roiling American society. The updated and expanded edition of *NFL Football* observes the league's centennial by following the NFL into the twenty-first century, where off-the-field concerns compete with touchdowns and goal line stands for headlines. Richard Crepeau delves into the history of the league and breaks down the new era with an in-depth look at the controversies and dramas swirling around pro football today: Tensions between players and Commissioner Roger Goodell over collusion, drug policies, and revenue; The firestorm surrounding Colin Kaepernick and protests of police violence and inequality; Andrew Luck and others choosing early retirement over the threat to their long-term health; Paul Tagliabue's role in covering up information on concussions; The Super Bowl's evolution into a national holiday. Authoritative and up to the minute, *NFL Football* continues the epic American success story.

[Colin Kaepernick: Change the Game \(Graphic Novel Memoir\)](#) - Colin Kaepernick 2023-03-07

Colin Kaepernick: Change the Game is an inspiring high school graphic novel memoir for

readers 12 and up from celebrated athlete and activist Colin Kaepernick. A high school senior at a crossroads in life and heavily scouted by colleges and Major League Baseball (MLB), Colin has a bright future ahead of him as a highly touted prospect. Everyone, from his parents to his teachers and coaches, is in agreement on his future. Everyone but him. Colin isn't excited about baseball. In the words of five-time all-star MLB player Adam Jones, "Baseball is a white man's sport." He looks up to athletes like Allen Iverson: talented, hyper-competitive, unapologetically Black, and dominating their sports while staying true to themselves. College football looks a lot more fun than sleeping on hotel room floors in the minor leagues of baseball. But Colin doesn't have a single offer to play football. Yet. This touching YA graphic novel memoir explores the story of how a young change-maker learned to find himself, make his own way, and never compromise.

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An inspiring graphic memoir of taking the road less traveled from celebrated athlete and activist Colin Kaepernick. High school star athlete Colin Kaepernick is at a crossroads in life. Heavily scouted by colleges and MLB as a baseball pitcher, he has a bright future ahead of him as a highly touted prospect. Everyone from his parents to his teachers and coaches are in agreement on his future. Colin feels differently. Colin isn't excited about baseball. In the words of five-time all-star MLB player Adam Jones, "Baseball is a white man's game." Colin looks up to athletes like Allen Iverson: talented, hyper-competitive, unapologetically Black, and dominating their sport while staying true to himself. College football looks a lot more fun than sleeping on hotel room floors in the minor leagues of baseball. But Colin doesn't have a single offer to play football. Yet. This touching graphic memoir explores the story of how a young change maker learned to find himself and never compromise. How the right decision is very rarely the easy one, but taking the road less traveled can make all the difference in the world.

What's My Name, Fool? - Dave Zirin 2011-02
In *What's My Name, Fool?* sports writer Dave

Zirin shows how sports express the worst - and at times the most creative, exciting, and political - features of our society. Zirin's sharp and insightful commentary on the personalities, politics, and history of American sports is unlike any sports writing being done today. Zirin explores how NBA brawls highlight tensions beyond the arena, how the bold stances taken by sports unions can chart a path for the entire labor movement, and the unexplored political stirrings of a new generation of athletes who are no longer content to just "play one game at a time." *What's My Name, Fool?* draws on original interviews with former heavyweight champ George Foreman, Olympic athlete John Carlos, NBA player and anti-death penalty activist Etan Thomas, antiwar women's college hoopster Toni Smith, Olympic Project for Human Rights leader Lee Evans and many others. It also unearths a history of athletes ranging from Jackie Robinson to Muhammad Ali to Billie Jean King, who charted a new course through their athletic ability and their outspoken views.

We Want Bama - Joseph Goodman 2021-11-09
A lively chronicle of how the 2020 Crimson Tide became Nick Saban's "ultimate team." Was Alabama's Crimson Tide in 2020 the greatest team of all time? The squad went 13-0 in a pandemic year, scored a combined 107 points against SEC powerhouses LSU and Florida, crushed Ohio State in a National Championship Game 52-24 in a contest that wasn't even that close, and followed it up with another top-rated signing class. Nick Saban called his boys the "ultimate team," but it wasn't just because they kicked the ever-living hell out of everyone on the football field. It was because the team leveraged a power and influence born of Southern pride to push back against a hateful legacy of racism that a populist president was exploiting to divide the nation. At a time when Americans needed real leaders in the face of so much hate, the sports world answered the call and fought back for the soul of the country. In the summer of 2020, the Tide players left their training facility and, led by their celebrated coach, marched to a campus doorway made infamous sixty years earlier by another political demagogue and showed what people can accomplish when they fight together for a just cause in the name of unity. The most powerful force in a state crazy for college

football had chosen to make a stand and replace George Wallace's "Segregation forever!" with a different message, written by one of the players: "All lives can't matter until Black lives matter." There have been some great football teams through the years, and they all deserve respect. But here's what we know for sure: They all would have been appreciative of what this Alabama team represented, and proud of what it accomplished. The Crimson Tide in 2020 captured something special that moved it beyond the conversation of best ever, and into the place reserved for most important of all time.

I Color Myself Different - Colin Kaepernick
2022-04-05

An inspiring story of identity and self-esteem from celebrated athlete and activist Colin Kaepernick. When Colin Kaepernick was five years old, he was given a simple school assignment: draw a picture of yourself and your family. What young Colin does next with his brown crayon changes his whole world and worldview, providing a valuable lesson on embracing and celebrating his Black identity through the power of radical self-love and knowing your inherent worth. *I Color Myself Different* is a joyful ode to Black and Brown lives based on real events in young Colin's life that is perfect for every reader's bookshelf. It's a story of self-discovery, staying true to one's self, and advocating for change... even when you're very little!

Playing on an Uneven Field - Yuya Kiuchi
2019-05-31

We expect sports to be fair and equal--everyone who tries out has a chance to play and everyone who plays hard has a chance to win. But is that really true? In reality, female athletes are paid far less than their male counterparts. Youth sports often cost too much for many families to participate in. African American athletes continue to face discrimination both on and off the field. Adaptive sports are considered to be only for those with disabilities. But there are signs of progress as sports organizations try to promote equality and fairness. This study explores the intricacies of inclusion and exclusion in sports.

Colin Kaepernick - Blake Hoena 2021-01-01
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professional narration and sentence highlighting to engage reluctant readers! This graphic biography shows readers the moments that have defined Colin Kaepernick's life as a quarterback and an activist. His talent and determination made him a college football success and brought him to the National Football League. As a quarterback for the San Francisco 49ers, he led his team to multiple playoffs and even competed in the Super Bowl. When outrage over violence against African Americans became a national movement, Kaepernick joined the protests. His decision cost him his career in football, but he gained a voice heard worldwide.

The Hero in the Helmet: Colin Kaepernick - Joa Macnalie 2018-05-13

This book is an ode to one of the most political athletes in the modern day of sports who is arguably the face of the Modern Day Revolution. The purpose of this book is to share the truth about who Colin Kaepernick is and what his movement means for America. It is also a keepsake to remember him for who he is and not what he is painted to be.

Hometown Victory - Keanon Lowe 2022-05-10

The *Blindside* meets *Friday Night Lights* in Keanon Lowe's *Hometown Victory* when an NFL coach returns home after losing a friend to coach a team of struggling high school kids on a 23-game losing streak. Keanon Lowe was working as an offensive analyst for the San Francisco 49ers when his childhood friend and former high school teammate suddenly died from an opioid overdose. Keanon dropped everything--including the plum NFL job he had been working towards since childhood--leading him to a position as football coach at a struggling high school back in his hometown. At the time, Parkrose High School was in the middle of a 23-game losing streak--they were the ultimate underdogs. In many ways, the road to Parkrose was paved by Keanon's life-defining experiences--from a childhood spent dodging racist bullies and finding the support and mentorship he craved on the football team, to an NFL season where he worked closely with Colin Kaepernick as he evolved his sideline protest. Keanon was drawn to the young men on the Parkrose team, and to the school itself. After two years, he pushed them to become conference champions, mentoring countless players along

the way. But still, there was that nagging sense that his calling wasn't meant to stop there. He was at that school for a reason. In May 2019, he got his answer when a 19-year-old student entered a Parkrose classroom with a trench coat and shotgun. Keanon disarmed him and pulled the boy into a hug, telling him he cared. In the boy, Keanon saw himself, and the young men he grew up with or mentored along the way--and weren't so many of them just looking for acceptance, for comfort, for love? With the heart of favorite football classics--*The Blindside*, *Friday Night Lights*, *Remember the Titans*--Keanon's journey at Parkrose is the true account of a life spent striving forward, even when faced with the unimaginable. *Hometown Victory* is a story about gratitude, service, and most of all, hope.

[Rob Gronkowski: the Inspiring Story of One of Football's Greatest Tight Ends](#) - Clayton Geoffreys 2016-09-18

Learn the Inspiring Story of the New England Patriots' Legendary Tight End Rob Gronkowski! Read on your PC, Mac, smartphone, tablet or Kindle device! In *Rob Gronkowski: The Inspiring Story of One of Football's Greatest Tight Ends*, you will learn the inspirational story of one of football's premier tight ends, Rob Gronkowski. Often known simply as "Gronk", Gronkowski has left a lasting mark on the New England Patriots franchise since joining the league in 2010. He was the first tight end in league history to lead the league in receiving touchdowns. The Brady and Gronkowski duo on offense has been a potent combination whenever the Patriots have needed to find a way to score quickly down the stretch of football games. A charismatic figure, Gronkowski has the adoration of fans beyond just Patriots fans as a player who does not take himself too seriously and is not afraid to have fun while winning. In this book, we'll learn more about Gronk's journey into the league, as well as what makes him such a great player. Here is a preview of what is inside this book: Childhood and Early Life High School Years Recruitment and College Years at Arizona Scouting Combine and 2010 NBA Draft Gronkowski's NFL Career Rob Gronkowski's Personal Life Conclusion An excerpt from the book: Just who is Rob Gronkowski? He may be just 27 years old, but he is already a six-year NFL veteran, Super Bowl

Champion, four-time Pro Bowler, party animal, and savvy businessman. New England Patriots fans had no idea who Gronkowski was when the team drafted him in 2010. Six years later, they believe he is on pace to become one of the greatest tight ends in NFL history. Fans of other teams - as much as they hate the Patriots - always concede to this fact. Gronkowski is an awesome physical specimen who terrorizes opposing defenses and gives defensive coordinators consistent nightmares. Watching him do his famous "Gronk Spike" in the end zone after a touchdown has become a regular occurrence. Fans and experts alike always wonder what make Rob Gronkowski an elite athlete. Moreover, they would like to know more about the man whose notorious partying ways are always viral on social media. What many do not know is Gronkowski's emergence from being relatively unknown to an NFL Pro Bowler has been far from easy. He had to go through the aches and pains - both literally and figuratively - a regular person goes through to achieve success. An in-depth look at his life both on and off the field will give the reader a clearer picture of who this perplexing yet outgoing person is. The reader will know more about Gronkowski's youth in his hometown of Amherst, N.Y. and his home life with his four brothers - a home life that had its share of ups and downs. Gronkowski's humble beginnings will also explain why he is very committed to fitness and health and remains so to this very day, despite the many temptations a professional athlete has. He also faced adversity at a very young age dating back to his high school years, despite being a star in basketball and football. As successful as he is now with his fitness business, "The Gronk Bus," his Super Bowl title, the Gronk Nation Youth Foundation, etc., Gronkowski

demonstrates how resilient he is when his journey continues at the University of Arizona and with the New England Patriots. Tags: Rob Gronkowski Bio, Rob Gronkowski football, New England Patriots football, tom brady, julian edelman, jj watt, bill belichick

Football Faith - Rob Maaddi 2015-08-01

Fifty-two NFL stars will inspire you with their personal reflections, their thoughts on the game of life, and God's perfect playbook. . .the Bible.

Taking a Knee, Taking a Stand - Bob Schron 2020-04-03

A history of the activism and achievement of African American athletes from Jesse Owens to Serena Williams to Colin Kaepernick, who advanced the cause of social justice through their outspokenness, commitment, and integrity. Muhammad Ali refused to fight in a war he believed was immoral. Wilma Rudolph retired from track and field to campaign for civil rights. Colin Kaepernick took a knee during the national anthem to draw attention to the oppression of black bodies. Taking a Knee, Taking a Stand tells their stories and the stories of other prominent African American male and female athletes who often risked their careers to fight racial discrimination and promote social justice. From Jackie Robinson breaking the color line in major league baseball to NBA great Bill Russell sitting at the feet of Dr. Martin Luther King at the 1963 March on Washington to Althea Gibson asserting her tennis dominance at a time when many clubs would not allow African Americans to play on their courts, this moving and celebratory history shows how the tradition of black protest in sports has been consistent, necessary, and organic, and that the present crisis of misunderstanding and intolerance demands that this tradition continue as the country struggles toward fairness and equity.