

## Snowboard Champ Matt Christopher Sports Fiction

Get swept away with 10 little rubber ducks (Book with sound chip) rubber ducks one after the other... delivered to children everywhere. But when a storm strikes, 10 little ducks are tossed into the sea and swept away in 10 different directions - with some wonderfully unexpected adventures along the way. Carle, explores numbers, directions, opposites, geography, animals and more in an extraordinary interactive picture book, beautifully illustrated with his unique collage-style art. And for a final surprise, the last page contains a duck with a squeaking sound chip for a special treat at the end of the story

How Canadians Communicate (vol. 1) is a timely collection that chronicles the extraordinary changes that are shaking the foundations of Canada's cultural and communications industries in the twenty-first century. With essays from some of Canada's foremost media scholars, this book discusses the major trends and developments that have taken place in government policy, corporate strategies, creative communities, and various communication mediums: newspapers, films, cellular and palm technology, the Internet, libraries, TV, music, and book publishing. This volume addresses many issues unique to Canada in a broader framework of global communications. Specifically, it looks at new media communications in Aboriginal communities, the changing role of the state in cultural institutions, the conglomeratization of the media, the threat of American and global communications to Canadian voices, and the struggle to retain and reclaim local and national identities in the face of globalization. With articles from academics and professionals across Canada, How Canadians Communicate, Vol.1 provides the most current perspectives on communication in Canada in a rapidly changing world of

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technology and global communication.

Abducted by a "fan" and forced to become a member of a professional junior hockey team, thirteen-year-old star center Steve Crandall quickly realizes that he must play not only to win but to survive.

When the son of the new manager of the ski resort starts a snowboard cross team and will not allow girls to join, Brian and Hannah try to think of a way to change his mind.

A young boy is pressured by his family to abandon his promising soccer career for football. Freddie Chase is a good football player with one major flaw: He's afraid to tackle. He tries hard to cover up his fear, but soon Coach Sears and the other Sandpipers know all about it. The team is fighting to finish the season at the top of the league, but how can they hope to succeed when one of their players lets the opposition run right by him? Coach Sears has no choice but to take Freddie out of the lineup. Now it's up to Freddie to earn his way back onto the starting team. But can he overcome his fear?

"Remarkable....The entire Vietnam experience [in] one epic narrative."--New York Times Book Review

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Mad Libs, this commemorative tin is full of endless hours of hilarity with five classic Mad Libs volumes spanning 1958 to 1968. And with a cool, nostalgic 1950s look, the tin doubles as a keepsake. Illustrations. Pkg. Consumable.

A high school football player believes the harassment he is experiencing on and off the field is due to his father's prison record.

In its second edition, this book takes a fresh approach to the study of sports, presenting key concepts such as socialization, economics, gender, race, ethnicity, religion, politics, the media

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and the role of sports in society. The authors offer a critical examination but highlight also the many positive aspects of sports. Each chapter concludes with a popular culture section, showing how films, television, video games, music and short stories have contributed to our understanding of sports' significance to our lives. Other features include up-to-date information--such as statistics on player and owner salaries--and a look at recent controversies in sports, such as performance-enhancing drugs, domestic violence, online gambling and the growing concern over concussions and post-career health problems. The value of sports for people with physical disabilities and special needs is discussed, as well as the development of sports studies programs and the continuing importance of "sportsmanship." The final chapter explores how social media, as well as new forms of virtual reality and the prevalence of video gaming, are reshaping the concept of what constitutes a sport. Instructors considering this book for use in a course may request an examination copy [here](#).

When it comes to surfing, fourteen- year-old Kai Ford knows his stuff; he's been riding the waves since he was ten. He respects the amazing power of the sea and knows - first-hand - how dangerous it can be. But what Kai doesn't seem to respect is the privacy of others. Unfortunately, his prying nature sometimes leads to trouble. Will Kai learn the importance of minding his own business before he once again sticks his nose in where it doesn't belong? The bestselling author of *Pledged* returns with a groundbreaking look at the pressure to achieve faced by America's teens In *Pledged*, Alexandra Robbins followed four college girls to produce a riveting narrative that read like fiction. Now, in *The Overachievers*, Robbins uses the same captivating style to explore how our high-stakes educational culture has spiraled out of control. During the year of her ten-year reunion, Robbins goes back to her high school, where

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she follows heart-tuggingly likeable students including "AP" Frank, who grapples with horrifying parental pressure to succeed; Audrey, whose panicked perfectionism overshadows her life; Sam, who worries his years of overachieving will be wasted if he doesn't attend a name-brand college; Taylor, whose ambition threatens her popular girl status; and The Stealth Overachiever, a mystery junior who flies under the radar. Robbins tackles teen issues such as intense stress, the student and teacher cheating epidemic, sports rage, parental guilt, the black market for study drugs, and a college admissions process so cutthroat that students are driven to suicide and depression because of a B. With a compelling mix of fast-paced narrative and fascinating investigative journalism, *The Overachievers* aims both to calm the admissions frenzy and to expose its escalating dangers.

Originally published: Boston: Little, Brown, 1959.

This book examines women's participation in the Olympic Games since they were allowed to be included in that global arena. Using a holistic, social scientific approach, and emphasizing the rhetoric of sport mediatization, *Female Olympians* reviews the literature relative to sexism, racism, and ageism before providing historical, political, economic, and socio-cultural perspectives such as the gendered language of Olympic reportage, religious considerations, women's bodies relative to their training for the Games, drugs and doping, and female Paralympians. With numerous critical case studies, never-before assembled data, and personal interviews with athletes, this volume offers insights that both investigate and celebrate female Olympians' successes.

Two friends try to prove that size and race do not matter when playing hockey or any other sport.

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The twins toy hockey game seems to be magic as it plays games identical to the real ones before they even happen.

The specialized jargon of some sports can be quite esoteric. Non-Americans, for example, are likely puzzled by baseball terms such as bunt, cut-off man, and safety squeeze, while the non-British may pause over cricket's Chinaman, doosra, golden duck, off-break, popping crease, and yorker. This new dictionary gives the definitions of more than 8,000 terms used in sports and games from around the world, including mainstream sports like basketball and billiards alongside the more obscure netball and snooker. Entries cover sports equipment, strategies, venues, qualifying categories, awards, and administrative bodies, while a comprehensive system of cross-references offers assistance and clarification when needed. An appendix lists standard abbreviations of sports ruling bodies and administrative organizations.

**TOUCHDOWN FOR TOMMY** Is football Tommy's key to a new home? Football isn't just Tommy's favorite sport—he also thinks that it's the key to a good home. The recently orphaned Tommy is delighted to discover that his foster father, Mr. Powell, coaches Midget League football. By playing well, Tommy hopes that he will make Mr. Powell want to adopt him, and then he will have a real family again. But will things work out the way he plans!

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Nick Abbott and Trent Dawson have nothing in common but basketball. Or so it seems. But as the basketball season progresses, their lives become unexpectedly intertwined. In this story of an unlikely bond, award-winning author Carl Deuker explores that dark and confusing place between loneliness and friendship, between faithfulness and betrayal. Filled with gripping game play, the novel will leave readers wondering how much they themselves would reach out to a kid like Trent.

A young, inexperienced football team discovers that its beginner's luck is due to a series of mysterious but successful plays anonymously sent to the coach.

Only one thing keeps Jim from being the best linebacker in the team - his fear of getting tackled. But his friend Chuckie knows Jim isn't a coward. With Chuckie's special courage as an example, can Jim find the strength to face his fears head-on?

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coolest kid in sixth grade—the golden-armed quarterback of the football team, and the boy all the others look up to. Scott Parry is the new kid, the boy with the huge brain, but with feet that trip over themselves daily. These two boys may seem like an odd couple, but each has a secret that draws them together as friends, and proves that the will to succeed is even more important than raw talent. Mike Lupica scores from downtown with his Comeback Kids series. Praise for the Comeback Kids: “Lupica portrays the action clearly and vividly, with a real sense of the excitement and unpredictable nature of the games. These are worthy additions to collections seeking to draw in middle-grade boys with an enthusiasm for athletics.” —School Library Journal “These should score big with middle-graders looking for alternatives to Matt Christopher's titles.” —Publisher's Weekly “This title is a good choice for reluctant readers with a background in baseball.” —School Library Journal

Angel in Black: Remembering Dale Earnhardt Sr. is filled with personal memories of the man known as "the Intimidator" in NASCAR circles. These stories all come from the people who knew him best. Earnhardt was far more complex than those who did not know him well might have expected. His life ended tragically in February 2001 when he was killed during the last lap of the Daytona 500. His untimely death at the age of forty-nine shocked the racing world and the world at

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large. In *Angel in Black: Remembering Dale Earnhardt Sr.*, the Intimidator is remembered through hundreds of anecdotes, stories, and insights recounted by fellow drivers, team members, NASCAR officials, and friends and associates. Together they offer a unique and touching reminiscence of one of the greatest and most charismatic race-car drivers ever to climb behind the wheel. NASCAR's Rookie of the Year in 1979, Earnhardt forged a career that included seven NASCAR national championships, seventy-six career wins, and over \$34 million in prize money, more than any other driver has ever won. Earnhardt was as tough as they come behind the wheel, also earning the name of "Ironhead" in part because of his reputation for never backing down on the track, where close calls at nearly 200 miles per hour are frequent and often deadly. *Angel in Black* also shows the generous, considerate side of him as a friend, colleague, and family man. An earlier, shorter version of this book was published in 2001 under the title *I Remember Dale Earnhardt*. About one-third of the material in *Angel in Black* comes from the first edition, and the rest is largely new material.

a The boys are all hesitant when one boy's mother is the only parent who volunteers to coach their Little League team, but there is quite a surprise in store for them.

In 1954, Matt Christopher wrote and published *The Lucky Baseball Bat* and has since published more than one hundred twenty novels, making him the most prolific and bestselling

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sportswriter for children ever. With over 6 million copies sold, Matt's books have a permanent place in the hearts of young sports fans. Throughout 2004, we celebrate 50 years with Matt Christopher's own commemorative biography written by his son, Dale, in the tradition of the Matt Christopher Biography Bookshelf, with exclusive photos, original letters, and memorabilia. As soon as Brett Tyson steps on "The Lizard", the mysterious skateboard he unearthed in his backyard, he can feel its power. It glides smoothly and effortlessly, but Brett can't shake off the feeling that there's something not quite right about it.

"A memoir of Karina Manta, the first female member of USA Figure Skating to come out as queer"--

Growing up in a world of wealth and pastel-tinted entitlement, fifteen-year-old Carly has always relied on the constancy—and authenticity—of her sister, Anna. But when fourteen-year-old Anna turns plastic-perfect-pretty over the course of a single summer, everything starts to change. And there are boys involved, complicating things as boys always do. With warmth, insight, and an unparalleled gift for finding humor even in stormy situations, beloved author Lauren Myracle dives into the tumultuous waters of sisterhood and shows that even very different sisters can learn to help each other stay afloat.

Dennis O'Malley is a master on his skateboard. Although everyone else he knows skis all winter, a bad skiing accident has left him afraid to try it again. But when his friend Tasha gets a new snowboard, Dennis begins to wonder if he can turn his skateboarding abilities into snowboarding abilities. As he tries to develop his skills, he is challenged by rival snowboarders who make him doubt himself on his board. Can Dennis overcome his fears on the slopes in time to prove them wrong?

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Recounts the author's experiences with the reclusive Tarahumara Indians, whose techniques allow them to run long distances with ease, and describes his training for a fifty-mile race with the tribe and a number of ultramarathoners.

Everyone knows Jim will be the star linebacker on the team if he can only conquer his fear of being tackled, but it takes a boy in a wheelchair to teach him that kind of courage.

An in-depth look at skateboarding culture by a promising young scholar

When Matt Harper moves in with his uncle while his mother works for the government in a mysterious job overseas, he knows his life will change. But so long as he can hit the slopes with his snowboard, Matt figures he'll get along okay. But then he has a run-in with Riley, his new school's best snowboarder. Soon, rumors are being spread about Matt's past and challenges are being made. Will Matt be able to clear his name before Riley's campaign to ruin him snowballs out of control?

“My book ... details the living hell that was my experience with concussions. The majority of this story was kept from even my closest relationships. It wasn't easy, but it's time to tell it.” – Dale Jr. It was a seemingly minor crash at Michigan International Speedway in June 2016 that ended the day early for Dale Earnhardt Jr. What he didn't know was that it would also end his driving for the year. He'd dealt with concussions before, but concussions are like snowflakes—no two are the same. And recovery can be brutal—and lengthy. As a third-generation driver in a family forever connected to the sport of stock-car racing, how could Dale Earnhardt Jr. sit on the sidelines and watch

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everyone else take their laps? It was one of the toughest seasons of his life—one that changed him forever. In this gripping narrative from one of professional sports' most beloved figures, Dale Jr. shares stories from his journey: how his career and his injury have transformed him, how he made the decision to retire at the end of the 2017 season after eighteen years behind the wheel, and what lies ahead for him in the next chapter of his life. There's no second-guessing and no regrets from Driver #88. He simply wants to go out on his own terms and make the rest of his life off the racetrack count. Junior says, "I don't want these last races to be just about me but rather the people who made my success possible: my fans, the folks who pack the grandstands rain or shine, my teammates and crew members through the years, industry colleagues, track volunteers, friends, family, sponsors. They've all played a role. I couldn't have done it without them."

Introduces the sport of snowboarding, with advice for beginners on equipment, techniques, competition, and safety.

Matt Christopher Sports Stories.

An aura of intrigue surrounds a baseball coach obsessed with the idea of turning a bunch of handpicked beginners into champions in one season.

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