

Breakaway Beyond The Goal

In the summer of 2015, the U.S. women's national soccer team won the World Cup behind an epic performance by Carli Lloyd. Carli, a midfielder, scored three goals in the first sixteen minutes—the greatest goal-scoring effort in the history of World Cup finals. But there was a time when Carli almost quit soccer. She struggled with doubts and low confidence. In *All Heart*, adapted from *When Nobody Was Watching* specifically for younger readers, Carli tells the full inspiring story of her journey to the top of the soccer world—an honest, action-packed account that takes readers inside the mind of a hardworking athlete. Includes two full-color photo inserts.

All Kelly Smith ever wanted to be was a footballer. Blessed with brilliant talent which she honed with hours of practice, it was soon clear to all who saw her that Kelly was the best women's footballer that this country had ever produced. Yet for this shy girl from Watford, it would be a long and difficult journey to the pinnacle of the world game, and one which would involve the hardest of challenges. After starting drinking to mask her loneliness thousands of miles from home in the United States, a series of career-threatening injuries led to severe depression and a battle with alcoholism. But with the fighting spirit that was so essential on her path to be Britain's first women's professional player, Kelly bounced back to inspire Arsenal to countless trophies and become England's record goalscorer. *Footballer: My Story* is the inspirational tale of a woman with a drive to succeed. It is the unique inside story of a star in a sport enjoyed by millions yet often not granted the recognition it deserves. And as she nears the end of a glittering playing career, it is the story of how Kelly Smith became what she always wanted to be. A professional footballer, in a professional league.

"Simple text and full-color photographs describe the life of Christine Sinclair"--

While conducting research for a school paper on smallpox, Mitty finds an envelope containing 100-year-old smallpox scabs and fears that he has infected himself and all of New York City. As Tampa Bay's star center, Mark Carmelo's life was hockey, and after a bitter and public break up, all he wanted to do was focus on the game. Until he saw her. The one that got away. The one he thought he'd never see again. For thirteen years, Stevie West drowned in her lackluster life. Recently divorced from her "roommate" with passionless benefits, she was ready to start over. On her own. Until she ran into him. The same man she'd met one year ago. The temptation that had finally given her the courage to find herself again. When lightning strikes twice, there's no way to deny the chemistry it creates. But with both of them still nursing old wounds, Mark and Stevie will have to find a way around the other's defenses, a way to breakaway and score the one thing they never expected... love.

From FIFA World Cup Champion, Olympic gold medalist, and bestselling author Alex Morgan comes the seventh book in an empowering and fun-filled middle grade series that inspired the Amazon original series, *The Kicks!* It's spring, and school soccer season is back—and so are the *Kicks!* Devin is excited to be reunited with her teammates, and after they performed so well in the fall, she has high hopes for a championship win this time around. But it was easier for the *Kicks* when nobody expected them to win. Now there are high expectations, and some of Devin's teammates are worried about living up to them. As the start of the season approaches, the girls begin to feel the pressure. Will the *Kicks* get their heads in the game in time to start the season right?

Siddhartha is perhaps the most important and compelling moral allegory our troubled century has produced. Integrating Eastern and Western spiritual traditions with psychoanalysis and philosophy, this strangely simple tale, written with a deep and moving empathy for humanity, has touched the lives of millions since its original publication in 1922.

From FIFA World Cup Champion, Olympic gold medalist, and bestselling author Alex Morgan comes the eleventh book in an empowering and fun-filled middle grade series that inspired the

streaming original series, *The Kicks!* Devin is finally on her way to Connecticut to visit her best friend, Kara, and she couldn't be more excited! Not only that, but the Kicks have just made it into the playoffs! Except Devin's good fortune seems to have run out. First, the airport sends her luggage to Albuquerque. Then, when she finally gets to hang out with Kara, all they do is fight. And what's worse, Devin thinks her parents are planning to move them back to Connecticut! Devin's not sure what to make of her unfortunate homecoming. Are she and Kara even friends anymore? Is Devin ready to leave all her friends behind again to move back to Connecticut? And can she get her head back in the game in time to win the Kicks's first playoff match?

From FIFA World Cup Champion, Olympic gold medalist, and bestselling author Alex Morgan comes the eighth book in an empowering and fun-filled middle grade series that inspired the Amazon original series, *The Kicks!* Spring season continues and the Kicks are working their hardest to be champions. But Emma's confidence takes a dive after tripping and letting a shot go into the goal. Embarrassed by the blunder, she's not sure if she's cut out to be a goalie. Devin tries to help Emma, but she's dealing with uncertainties of her own. The cute new boy at school asks Jessi to go to the movies with him and some other friends, and she accepts, leaving Devin, Steven, and Cody behind. Does Jessi not like Cody anymore and what does this mean for Devin and Steven? With everything so uncertain, will the Kicks be able to stay in the soccer zone?

The Kicks are dedicated to soccer and to friendship—but can they balance all their goals? Find out in book four in the fun and empowering New York Times bestselling middle grade series from star soccer player, Olympic gold medalist, and World Cup champion, Alex Morgan. Now that playoffs are over, the Kicks won't be playing together again until the spring. But soccer-crazy Devin can't imagine a life without soccer! She and her friends decide to try out for a travel team in a very competitive local league, but not everyone makes the cut. Meanwhile, Devin's little sister, Maisie, wants to try out for her elementary school's soccer program. But due to budget cuts, the program has been eliminated! The Kicks rally together to help raise money—and volunteer to help with four different projects on the same day! Things get hectic as the girls deal with the challenges of being on the competitive, tougher team; figuring out how to keep their friendships together as they all go in different directions; and trying to save the elementary school's soccer program. If they can pull off all three, it will be a true hat trick! Megan Rapinoe, Olympic gold medalist and two-time Women's World Cup champion, has become a galvanizing force for social change; here, she urges all of us to take up the mantle, with actions big and small, to continue the fight for justice and equality. Using anecdotes from her own life and career, from suing the United States Soccer Federation alongside her teammates over gender discrimination to her widely publicized refusal to visit the White House, Rapinoe discusses the obligation we all have to speak up, and reveals the impact each of us can have on our communities.

This is the illustrated story of 23 soccer players who worked together to become World Cup champions and heroes to millions of men, women, boys, and girls across America and around the world. In July 2019, a record number of people all around the world tuned in to watch the Women's World Cup, which took place in France. Fifty-two games, twenty-four teams, four weeks . . . one winner. Megan Rapinoe had waited for this day since she attended a World Cup game as a teenager, and Alex Morgan had set her sights on a World Cup victory of her own as she watched Mia Hamm, Brandi Chastain, and Team USA win in 1999. Years of hard work, determination, and practice put Megan, Alex, and their teammates in the perfect position, and they took full advantage. Rose Lavelle, Tobin Heath, Alyssa Naeher, Crystal Dunn, Ali Krieger, Julie Ertz, Carli Lloyd, and the rest of the US Women's National Team returned home from France with the title, the trophy, and their nation's pride, becoming the first team in history to win four Women's World Cup titles! New York City threw a parade in their honor, and fans

lined the streets, clapping and cheering and chanting their names. These women were on top of the world—they'd come so far. They'd achieved their dreams! World Cup Women highlights Team USA's tournament experience and provides a glimpse into what shot them to the top . . . and what may keep them there a little longer.

This action-packed biography gives readers an inside look at the career of basketball superstar Kawhi Leonard. Filled with exciting photos, compelling text, and informative sidebars, this book is sure to be a hit with young basketball fans.

LJ knows her place in the world is on the soccer field. When she's out there scoring goals, everything's right. But being a big-shot on the field has started going to her head. She's been letting her temper get the best of her—both on the field and off, alienating everyone around her. Everyone except Tabitha, the popular girl who cares more about credit cards than yellow cards and spends most of her time on the bench. But when it's LJ on the bench instead of Tabitha, forced to be a spectator instead of a star, she realizes that sometimes it takes more skill and guts to make others look good instead of yourself. And that by losing a little glory, you can win more than just championships.

"The U.S. Women's National Soccer Team has won four World Cups and four Olympic gold medals, set record TV ratings, drawn massive crowds, earned huge revenues for FIFA and U.S. Soccer, and helped to redefine the place of women in sports. But despite their dominance, and their rosters of superstar players, they've endured striking inequality: low pay, poor playing conditions, and limited opportunities to play in professional leagues. The National Team, from leading soccer journalist Caitlin Murray, tells the history of the USWNT in full, from their formation in the 1980s to the run-up to the 2019 World Cup, chronicling both their athletic triumphs and less visible challenges off the pitch. Murray also recounts the rise and fall of U.S. professional leagues, including the burgeoning National Women's Soccer League, an essential part of the women's game. Through nearly 100 exclusive interviews with players, coaches, and team officials, including Alex Morgan, Carli Lloyd, Hope Solo, Heather O'Reilly, Julie Foudy, Brandi Chastain, Pia Sundhage, Tom Sermanni, and Sunil Gulati, Murray takes readers inside the locker rooms and board rooms in engrossing detail. A story of endurance and determination, The National Team is a complete portrait of this beloved and important team."--provided by publisher.

Years before millions of Americans tuned in to watch her historic space flight aboard the Challenger in 1983, Sally Ride stayed up late to watch Neil Armstrong become the first person to walk on the moon. The next morning, she woke up to win her first round singles match at a national junior tennis tournament. Sally Ride: A Photobiography of America's Pioneering Woman Astronaut, is an intimate journey from her formative years to her final moments. Before she was an astronaut, Sally was a competitive tennis player who excelled at the game to such an extent that Billie Jean King told her she could play on the pro circuit. Before she earned a Ph.D. in physics, she was called an underachiever by her high school classmates. After her first historic space flight—she took a second in 1984—Sally continued to break ground as an inspirational advocate for space exploration, public policy, and science education, who fought gender stereotypes and opened doors for girls and women in all fields during the second half of the twentieth century. This vivid photobiography, written by Sally's life, writing, and business partner, Tam O'Shaughnessy, offers an intimate and revealing glimpse into the life and mind of the famously private, book-loving, tennis-playing physicist who made history.

"To be a great soccer player, you must be in love with the game." – Mia Hamm
Do you love lacing up your cleats for the first game of the season—and do you love it even more when they're caked with mud after the game? Are there many nights when you dream about kicking the ball, and watching as it soars through the air toward the goal? Would your perfect day include hours on the soccer

field? Do you love to watch people play, soaking up everything you can from other soccer-crazy players? Have you ever felt like your soccer team is a second family? Then you're definitely soccer-crazy . . . and this book is definitely for you! From training techniques formations and strategies—this book has it all!

"Get inspired to be your best--in sports and in life--with this uplifting memoir from star soccer player and Olympic gold medalist Alex Morgan... From her beginnings with the American Youth Soccer Organization to her key role in the 2015 Women's World Cup, Alex shares the details that made her who she is today: a fantastic role model and athlete who proudly rocks a pink headband."--Amazon.com.

From star soccer player and Olympic gold medalist Alex Morgan comes the New York Times bestselling first book in an empowering, fun-filled middle grade series about believing in yourself and working as a team. Twelve-year-old Devin loves to play soccer. If she hadn't just left Connecticut to move across the country, she would have been named seventh-grade captain on her school soccer team. But now that Devin is starting seventh grade in Kentville, California, all bets are off. After all, some of the best players on the US national team come from California. She's sure to have stiff competition. Or so she thinks. When Devin shows up for tryouts, she discovers that the Kentville Kangaroos—otherwise known as the Kicks—are an absolute mess. Their coach couldn't care less whether the girls win or lose. And Devin is easily one of the most talented players. The good news is, Devin quickly makes friends with funny, outgoing Jessi; shy but sweet Zoe; and klutzy Emma. Can Devin and her newfound friends pull together and save the team from itself?

Alex Morgan plays for the US National Team and for the Orlando Pride of the National Women's Soccer League (NWSL). She is one of the top 10 goal scorers in US women's soccer history and won an Olympic gold medal in 2012. That same year, she was a US Soccer Athlete of the Year and a finalist for FIFA World Player of the Year. Off the field, Morgan connects with her fans through advocacy work. Learn how she trains, what her life is like outside of soccer, and more.

"Sure to score big with soccer fans, especially girls who play the sport themselves." - Julie Chychota, CM Magazine Soccer is the most popular sport for more than 350,000 Canadian girls, and their heroines and role models are the talented players profiled in *Goals and Dreams: A Celebration of Canadian Women's Soccer*. *Goals and Dreams* is a detailed, in-depth look at how a diverse group of soccer-crazed Canadians developed into one of the world's best teams. Through unique access to the players' world--both on- and off-field--the authors reveal the passion and commitment these players have for the game and how they balance school, work and training. It follows their journey from the Edmonton Under-19 Women's World Championships-- where 50,000 fans plus a huge TV audience cheered them on--to the Women's World Cup--where they beat Argentina, Japan and China to capture fourth place--and concludes with the Under-19 World Championships held in Thailand in November 2004. It features

interviews with world-class stars like Charmaine Hooper and Christine Sinclair as well as up-and-coming teenagers like Brittany Timko, Kara Lang and Aysha Jamani. It also contains a brief history of women's soccer in Canada, as well as information on national team selection, chances for a professional career and training routines. Goals and Dreams includes an introduction by stellar midfielder Andrea Neil, who helped the Canadian Women's soccer team to their fourth-place finish in the recent World Cup and is their longest-serving midfielder. She recently played in her one-hundredth match for Canada.

Life lessons from the soccer field, from the bestselling author of Strong is the New Pretty. A bruised shin, a bloody nose. Racing across the field into the arms of your teammates. Leaping high to save a goal. Getting up at dawn to kick ball after ball into the net. Making friends for life. Teaching your younger sister how to dribble. Sharing cupcakes at practice on your birthday. Going to sleep in your jersey. That's what it means to be fearless, dedicated, confident, resilient, proud, persistent. It doesn't matter whether you're 3 or 63—that's what it means to play like a girl. "Kate T. Parker is my hero. She moves me. The whole world she has created moves me."—Drew Barrymore

The Hugo Award-winning classic sci-fi novel about interstellar war. The Beyond started with the Stations orbiting the stars nearest Earth. The Great Circle the interstellar freighters traveled was long, but not unmanageable, and the early Stations were emotionally and politically dependent on Mother Earth. The Earth Company which ran this immense operation reaped incalculable profits and influenced the affairs of nations. Then came Pell, the first station centered around a newly discovered living planet. The discovery of Pell's World forever altered the power balance of the Beyond. Earth was no longer the anchor which kept this vast empire from coming adrift, the one living mote in a sterile universe. But Pell was just the first living planet. Then came Cyteen, and later others, and a new and frighteningly different society grew in the farther reaches of space. The importance of Earth faded and the Company reaped ever smaller profits as the economic focus of space turned outward. But the powerful Earth Fleet was still a presence in the Beyond, and Pell Station was to become the last stronghold in a titanic struggle between the vast, dynamic forces of the rebel Union and those who defended Earth's last, desperate grasp for the stars.

Get inspired to be your best—in sports and in life—with this uplifting memoir from star soccer player and Olympic gold medalist Alex Morgan that includes eight pages of full-color photos! As a talented and successful female athlete, Alex Morgan is a role model to thousands of girls who want to be their best, not just in soccer, but in other sports and in life. The story of her path to success, from playing in the 2011 Women's World Cup, to winning gold in the 2012 London Olympics, to ranking as one of the National Team's top scorers, will inspire everyone who reads it. From her beginnings with the American Youth Soccer Organization to her key role in the 2015 Women's World Cup, Alex shares the details that made her who she is today: a fantastic role model and athlete who

proudly rocks a pink headband.

Abby Wambach has always pushed the limits of what is possible. Named by Time magazine as one of the most influential people of 2015, the iconic soccer player captured the nation's heart when she led her team to its recent World Cup Championship. Admired for her fearlessness and passion, Abby is a vocal advocate for women's rights and equal opportunity, pushing to translate the success of her team to the real world. She has become a heavily requested speaker to a wide a range of audiences, from college students to executives at Fortune 500 companies. In this edition of Forward that's been adapted for young readers, Abby recounts her own decisions, wins, losses, and the pivotal moments that helped her become the world class athlete and leader she is today.

Wambach's book goes beyond the soccer field to reveal a soulful person grappling with universal questions about how we can live our best lives and become our truest selves. Written with honesty and heart, Forward is an inspiring blueprint for individual growth and a rousing call to action.

The Olympic gold medal-winning soccer player details her path to success, from her childhood in California to her time on the United States' National team.

The Kicks have the league championship within reach—but do they have what it takes to win it? Book three in the fun and empowering New York Times bestselling middle grade series from star soccer player and Olympic gold medalist Alex Morgan. Against all odds, the Kicks have made it to league playoffs. With the championship trophy in sight, it's time to step into high gear. But the road to victory is littered with challenges. Some of the Kicks think Devin is taking all the credit for their success. Zoe's upcoming bat mitzvah has taken her head out of the game. Worst of all, Coach Flores has to leave town at the Kicks's most critical moment—and her replacement is no treat. Will the Kicks be able to continue their unlikely winning streak all the way to the championship title?

Meet Hope Solo—Soccer Sensation In this young readers' edition of Hope Solo's exciting life story, adapted from Solo: A Memoir of Hope, the Olympic gold medalist and starting goalkeeper for the U.S. women's national soccer team gives readers behind-the-scenes details of her life on and off the field. Solo offers a fearless female role model for the next generation, driven to succeed on her own terms. Young fans will truly be inspired by Hope's repeated triumphs over adversity. Her relentless spirit has molded her into the person she is today—one of the most charismatic athletes in America. A huge player in the Summer 2012 Olympic Games, Hope shares her inside story in her own words, for soccer fans of all ages! Look inside Signed poster and exclusive all-new Q&A with Hope Solo!

This book chronicles the life of Julie Ertz, midfielder of the Chicago Red Stars in the National Women's Soccer League and member of the U.S. national team. Readers will learn how Ertz went from a travel team in Arizona to becoming a superstar at Santa Clara University, and then to the FIFA World Cup at just age 23. Throughout her career, Ertz has been the recipient of many awards, including

the 2017 U.S. Soccer Female Player of the Year. Her hard work, dedication, and passion offer a model for success and teaches young readers to dream big. Kicking off his new series of sports biographies for young readers, journalist Dan Wetzel tells the inspiring true life story of a US Women's Soccer star in *Epic Athletes: Alex Morgan*. Featuring graphic-style illustrations by Cory Thomas! Fierce competitor. World Cup winner. Role model. U.S. Women's Soccer star Alex Morgan has earned each of these impressive titles throughout her incredible career. As a young girl growing up in Southern California, she dreamed of being a professional soccer player, fighting to compete on the international stage against the world's greatest athletes. Flash forward to the present and Alex Morgan has emerged as the face of U.S. Women's soccer, famous for her clutch, late-game goals, and an inspiration to kids across the country. Bestselling author Dan Wetzel details the rise of an American champion in this uplifting biography for young readers, complete with dynamic comic-style illustrations.

The special anniversary edition of *The Little Engine That Could™* contains the entire text and original artwork. Young readers, as well as parents and grandparents, will treasure the story of the blue locomotive who exemplifies the power of positive thinking.

Learn all about how fourteen of the best men's and women's players of all time grew up and conquered the sport -- their first encounters with soccer, the challenges they overcame, and their big breaks.

Learn all about one of the top stars of the U.S. Women's National Team in this action-packed book

A star athlete shares her trailblazing account of triumph in the face of sexism, self-doubt, and injury, gives a remarkable global tour of the women's soccer world, and presents a stirring call-to-action to secure equal pay and conditions. When Susie Petruccelli won a place on Harvard University's soccer team, she felt on top of the world—talented, strong, and worthy.

Unfortunately, after sustaining injuries and developing health problems, she felt her worth slip away. In this remarkable memoir, Petruccelli reveals how she battled her way back onto the field and continued to fight even after she hung up her cleats. She distills the significance of not giving up on oneself and inspires players of all sports who've faced injuries to persevere. She also brings to light the inequities and discrimination female athletes face that she's traveled the world to see and document firsthand, and introduces the international athletes and activists fighting for equal pay and conditions. In so doing, she reveals the progress made, as well as the battles ahead and the force of the movement. *Raised a Warrior* is the winner of the Vikki Orvice Prize and has been praised by a wide range of sports icons from Pelé to Billie Jean King.

Breakaway Beyond the Goal Simon & Schuster Books For Young Readers

From FIFA World Cup Champion, Olympic gold medalist, and bestselling author Alex Morgan comes the empowering and fun-filled middle grade series about soccer and friendship. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Chapter Books is an imprint of Spotlight a division of ABDO.

Go for the Goal! World Cup-winning soccer player Julie Ertz inspires kids to lead a life of faith and virtue as she shares her own stories and the lessons she has learned in childhood and now in her illustrious playing career. Each chapter focuses on a character trait essential to success on and off the playing field. Children will discover the value of sacrifice, hard work,

and having a good attitude. They will gain a trusted mentor in Julie, who encourages them through personal examples to be winners in life. Packed with engaging photos and filled with timely wisdom and biblical truth for tweens, this book will help boys and girls chase their dreams with passion and purpose.

From the celebrated star of the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team, an inspiring, uplifting, and candid memoir of how she got there. In 2015, the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team won its first FIFA championship in sixteen years, culminating in an epic final game that electrified soccer fans around the world. It featured a gutsy, brilliant performance by team captain and midfielder Carli Lloyd, who made history that day, scoring a hat trick three goals in one game during the first sixteen minutes. But there was a time when Carli almost quit the sport. In 2003 she was struggling, her soccer career at a crossroads. Then she found a trusted trainer, James Galanis, who saw in Carli a player with raw talent, skill, and a great dedication to the game. What Carli lacked were fitness, mental toughness, and character. Together they set to work, training day and night, fighting, grinding it out. No one worked harder than Carli. And no one believed in her more than James. Despite all the naysayers, the times she was benched, moments when her self-confidence took a nosedive, she succeeded in becoming one of the best players in the world. This candid reflection on a remarkable turnaround will take readers inside the women's national team and inside the head of an athlete who willed herself to perform at the highest levels of competition."

For every athlete or sports fanatic who knows she's just as good as the guys. This is for fans of *The Running Dream* by Wendelin Van Draanen, *Grace, Gold, and Glory* by Gabrielle Douglass and *Breakaway: Beyond the Goal* by Alex Morgan. The summer before Caleb and Tessa enter high school, friendship has blossomed into a relationship . . . and their playful sports days are coming to an end. Caleb is getting ready to try out for the football team, and Tessa is training for cross-country. But all their structured plans derail in the final flag game when they lose. Tessa doesn't want to end her career as a loser. She really enjoys playing, and if she's being honest, she likes it even more than running cross-country. So what if she decided to play football instead? What would happen between her and Caleb? Or between her two best friends, who are counting on her to try out for cross-country with them? And will her parents be upset that she's decided to take her hobby to the next level? This summer Caleb and Tessa figure out just what it means to be a boyfriend, girlfriend, teammate, best friend, and someone worth cheering for. "A great next choice for readers who have enjoyed Catherine Gilbert Murdock's *Dairy Queen* and Miranda Kenneally's *Catching Jordan*."—SLJ "Fast-paced football action, realistic family drama, and sweet romance...[will have] readers looking for girl-powered sports stories...find[ing] plenty to like."—Booklist "Tessa's ferocious competitiveness is appealing."—Kirkus Reviews "[The Football Girl] serve[s] to illuminate the appropriately complicated emotions both of a young romance and of pursuing a dream. Heldring writes with insight and restraint."—The Horn Book

For the more than seven million girls—from knobby-kneed tykes to high school and college stars—who are tearing across the country chasing a soccer ball and dreams of glory, there is one name that eclipses all others, male or female: Mia Hamm. With her cheetahlike acceleration and lightning-bolt shot, Hamm broke nearly every record in her sport, while galvanizing a whole generation of fans and players. *Go for the Goal* is not only the inspiring story of how a tiny suburban sprite became a global terror with a ball (and the world) at her feet—it's also a step-by-step or dribble-by-dribble guide for any kid with the all-American dream of making the team and becoming a champion. Filled with personal anecdotes and fully illustrated with both action and instructional photographs, *Go for the Goal* shows readers exactly how to master the silky skills and techniques that made Hamm and her teammates the finest women's soccer team in the world.

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