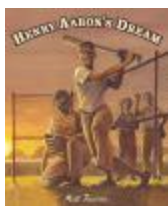


Take Me Out to the Library...Books about the All-American Game of Baseball

Biographies



[Henry Aaron's Dream](#) by Matt Tavares – Henry Aaron didn't have a bat, ball or glove and there weren't any African-American ballplayers in the major leagues, but he did have was a dream.



[Campy: the Story of Ray Campanella](#) by David Adler – After becoming the first African-American catcher in the major leagues, Ray “Campy” Campanella, refused to let a career ending accident that left him a quadriplegic end his love of the game. He went on to be a Dodgers coach, lead youth baseball camps and advocate for people with disabilities.



[Clemente!](#) By Willie Perdomo – The first Latin American baseball player inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame, Roberto Clemente was known as much for his humanitarian work as he was for his exceptional ball playing.



[The Unforgettable Season: The Story of Joe DiMaggio, Ted Williams and the Record-Setting Summer of '41](#) by Phil Bildner – During the summer of 1941 Joe DiMaggio of the New York Yankees was working on hitting 52 homeruns while at the same time Ted Williams was aiming to end the season with a better than .400 batting average – records that still stand today!



[You Never Heard of Sandy Koufax?!](#) by Jonah Winter – One on only a few Jewish baseball players, Sandy Koufax was the first major league pitcher to throw 4 no hitters and to win 3 Cy Young Awards. Staying true to his religion he also once refused to pitch in game 1 of the 1965 World Series because it fell on the Jewish holiday of Yom Kippur.



[She Loved Baseball: The Effa Manley Story](#) by Audrey Vernick – Effa Manley loved baseball but she never dreamed she would own a team, much less be the first and so far the only woman ever inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame.



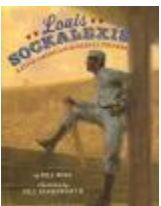
[The Baseball Adventure of Jackie Mitchell, Girl Pitcher vs. Babe Ruth](#) by Emma Berne – Throwing like a girl isn't such a bad thing when pitching for a minor league men's team, Jackie Mitchell strikes out both Babe Ruth *and* Lou Gehrig of the New York Yankees.



[Satchel Paige: Don't Look Back](#) by David Adler – Satchel Paige got his start in the professional baseball at the age of 42, an age when most pitchers were well retired. Paige kept playing hoping to make it to the “big show” where he became the first African-American to pitch in the World Series as well as to be inducted into the Hall of Fame.



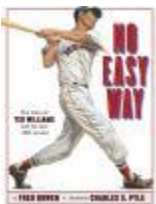
[Lipman Pike: America's First Home Run King](#) by Richard Michelson – Lipman Pike was one of the first professional baseball players before Major League Baseball even existed, playing for the Philadelphia Athletics in 1866. Known for his batting and speed he once raced a fast trotting horse in a 100-yard sprint and won by four yards.



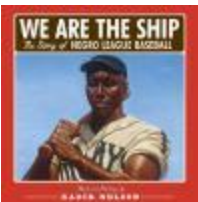
[Louis Sockalexis: Native American Baseball Pioneer](#) by Bill Wise – Penobscot Indian Louis Sockalexis was the first Native American in professional baseball, proving his right to play in the majors by hitting a homerun of future Hall of Famer Amos Rusie in 1897.



[All Star: Honus Wagner and the Most Famous Baseball Card Ever](#) by Jane Yolen – Playing sandlot baseball in between shifts at the local coal mine propelled Honus Wagner into the major leagues. He was voted into the first class of the Hall of Fame right behind Ty Cobb and tied with Babe Ruth for votes.

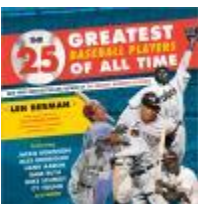


[No Easy Way: the Story of Ted Williams and the Last .400 Season](#) by Fred Bowen – Ted Williams always wanted to be known as the greatest hitter of all times, and by hitting .406 in 1941, a feat not repeated since, he is.



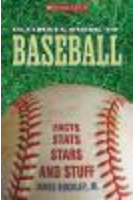
[We Are The Ship: The Story of Negro League Baseball](#) by Kadir Nelson –

Exploring the history of the Negro League Baseball teams, their owners and players this books offer a look at the players that overcame segregation, hatred, terrible conditions and low pay just to do what they loved – play baseball – America's National Pastime.

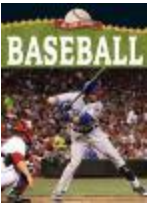


[25 Greatest Baseball Players of All Time](#) by Len Berman – A blue ribbon panel of baseball experts have come up with their 25 greatest players ever – now let the debate begin.

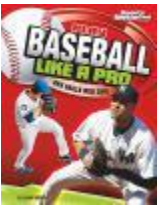
Baseball in General



[The Ultimate Guide to Baseball](#) by James Buckley Jr.



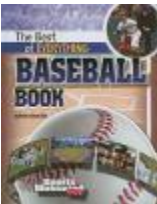
[In the Zone: Baseball](#) by Rennay Craats



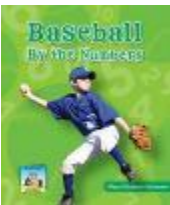
[Play Baseball Like a Pro: Key Skills and Tips](#) by Hans Hetrick



[VIP Pass to a Pro Baseball Game Day: From the Locker Room to the Press Box \(and Everything in Between\)](#) by Clay Latimer



[Best of Everything Baseball Book](#) by Nate LeBoutillier



[Baseball by the Numbers](#) by Mary Elizabeth Salzmann



[Baseball from A to Z](#) by Michael Spradlin



[Odd Ball: Hilarious, Unusual & Bizarre Baseball Moments](#) by Timothy Tocher