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Messi: The Rise To Stardom. The Amazing Story Of The Unlikely Rise To Stardom Of An Undersized Argentine Kid.



Synopsis

“You have to fight to reach your dream. You have to sacrifice and work hard for it.”

It does not seem logical that a five foot, seven inch young man from Argentina could somehow turn into the world’s best soccer player. A person diagnosed with growth hormone deficiency and without the economic resources to pay for the expensive treatment to treat that condition would also not be an ideal candidate to inherit the title of “World’s Best” from the likes of Diego Maradona, Ronaldo, or Pelé. But Lionel Messi defies logic and has regularly done so since he joined his first soccer team when he was only four years old. In this book, we will follow Lionel Messi from his humble beginnings in a small town in Argentina, all the way to his record fifth Ballon D’or award. Though the temptation may be strong, we won’t assume that Messi simply inherited a wealth of natural talent. Instead, we will retrace the path of the hard work and dedication that led him to become, hands down, the greatest player in the history of soccer. Get this book now and enjoy the amazing journey of Messi!

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Customer Reviews

If you are looking for a book on the life of Leo, you just found it. The book is written very simplistically that most kids would be able to read it and get a great back ground of who Messi is and how he came to be one of the greatest soccer players ever to play. It is very informational for any one that wants to understand how Messi came from a small Argentina town to Barcelona's greatest star. The author does a good job of keeping the timeline of his life in order while tying in his achievements along the way without making the reader get lost. I enjoy getting to know star athletes better and this book did a great job.

This book, Lionel Messi: The Rise to Stardom, was written by Roy Brandon. The book begins with a table of contents, which does not contain page numbers on which one can locate the beginning of each chapter; however, on the Kindle version of the book, each chapter is written in a hyperlink fashion. This is done to enable the user to simply click the chapter they are interested in prior to being automatically directed to the first page of that chapter. I consider the hyperlinks to be a nice, easy method to flip to a certain area in this book. Following a short forward for the book, the chapters are in chronological order, starting from birth to near the time of the book publishing (2016). Chapters all contain specific information about integral points in Messi's life. This book is short and direct to the life of a legend. I enjoyed the lack of filler information in this book, as it brings up excellent points and thoroughly discusses them, without droning on. There were a few spelling/grammatical errors, but not so frequent to be a turn off for continued reading. There were no obvious formatting issues. I enjoyed the setup of the chapters, being in chronological order. In addition, the chapters can be separated in terms of a particular season and stats for pivotal games. I found it cool that each chapter begins with a quote from Messi about information contained in each chapter. There are also a fair amount of great quotes within each chapter from not only Messi, but to those close to him and sportscasters. In addition, I loved the author's emphasis not only on Messi's wonderful career as a player, but on what a truly wonderful person he is. Too many people focus on Messi as strictly an athlete and not on how charitable, kind, and hardworking he is as a person. Any adversity not only strengthened his talent on the field, but more importantly, strengthened his character. The downside of this book is that there wasn't any information that I couldn't find already floating around on the internet. The positive, though, is that the information is all contained in a fairly concise book format. I enjoyed this book, but I doubt mega fans of Lionel Messi will learn anything that they didn't already know. If you are someone who is interested in learning about a legend, who you know little to nothing about, I would recommend this book to you.

I really appreciate this book. It's easy to read is definitely written in a way that juveniles should be able to read and understand. I appreciate the story of Lionel Messi. It's encouraging to read about someone who had so much going against him, but was able to overcome the odds in a dramatic way. Part of it is natural talent, but there's a lot of talk about hard work as well. I think it's something that would be good for kids to read to see the payoff or putting in effort. Granted, even with effort, there are not very many that will become professional athletes. But the principle goes beyond just sports. Another theme in the book is loyalty. Messi could have left Barcelona and played for another team, but he recognizes how Barcelona helped him get to where he is. He's more concerned with loyalty than with more money. He's loyal to his team and that's something to be appreciated by the younger generation too. I think this quote from chapter one describes what you'll find in the book "Our journey into the life story of Lionel Messi will show that the Messi that captivates us on a weekly basis is the result of a life of struggle and sacrifice." Overall, I would give this book a 9 out of 10, especially in light of the audience it was written for. It includes some really good principles for kids to learn and it is about an athlete, which is a topic a lot of kids are interested in. Challenges will come in everyone's life and it's good to see how hard work and perseverance can make a difference. I'm not a kid anymore and I still enjoyed reading the book. I received this product at a discounted rate in exchange for an honest review

My little nephew loves soccer and Lionel Messi is one of his favorite soccer players. This book gave a great overview of Messi's life and career. The reading level was not too difficult, and my nephew, who is about to start fourth grade, could read most of it without any help and he understood almost everything (or so he claims). The book starts by talking about his roots and childhood, and it ends with his legacy as one of the greatest soccer players of our time. The one thing that the book (or at least the ebook version, which I have) lacks is pictures to accompany the text. Since this is in essence a children's book, I was expecting at least an image or two of Messi but unfortunately they were nowhere to be found. That aside, it is still an excellent book and very easy to read. I received this product for free or at a discounted price in exchange for an unbiased and honest review.

This is a great book. My son who is a very huge soccer fan and player is a very big fan of Lionel

Messi, I knew I had to get this for him. I received this at a discounted rate for my honest review. This is a very inspirational book and I recommend this for anyone to read.

I knew very little about Leo prior to reading this book. Now, I learned about how great of a player he was, and he got to that level. The book goes in-depth through the story of his life. It was very interesting to read how a 5'7" guy from Argentina became the world's best soccer player! This is an encouraging story that shows the value of hard work and perseverance. Overall, I enjoyed this book and recommend it to anyone interested in the life of Lionel Messi. For full disclosure, I did receive this item at a discounted rate in exchange for an honest and unbiased review.

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