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Basketball's Greatest Players (Step Into Reading)



Synopsis

From Larry Bird and Michael Jordan to the hottest new legends such as LeBron James, this Step 5 Step into Reading early reader offers tons of facts about the best players in the game, what they were best known for, and how they got their start! Step 5 Readers tell stories in chapters using longer paragraphs, for children who want to take the plunge into chapter books but still like colorful illustrations and photography.

Book Information

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Age Range: 7 - 9 years

Grade Level: 2 - 4

Customer Reviews

It is a shame the author chose to glorify several instances of violence and rude behavior in this book. He writes fawningly about how Kareem Abdul-Jabar, "slugged a player - and knocked the man unconscious." The book describes how Larry Bird smashed chairs against the wall and "screamed insults" at halftime in order to get his teammates "fired up". It also admiringly describes how he, "...trash-talked, even to older stars". If you want a book that teaches your child to admire these sorts of behaviors (and others described in the same manner), this is the book for you. I think most parents, however, will find this book as inappropriate and shocking as I did. It's too bad the author couldn't have stuck to writing about basketball. Random House should be ashamed of

themselves to market this as an educational book (STEP into Reading).

I purchased this series as an elementary librarian for our collection. This series is wonderful for the younger sports fans! My grandson is enjoying reading about the different basketball players.

Very readable book about basketball for elementary age children. Nicely done.

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