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Thinking Basketball

Michael E. Gerber

Companies

Provides a look at
Syracuse University
from the students'
viewpoint.

Wild Rescuers:

Guardians of the Taiga

Basic Books

When an on-court fight
broke out between the
Houston Rockets and
the LA Lakers just
before Christmas 1977,
Rudy Tomjanovitch
raced to break it up.
He was met by Kermit
Washington's fist. This
is the story of how one
punch changed two
lives, the NBA and how
we think about
basketball, forever.

Movies (And Other
Things) Triumph Books

"Thirty-three chapters,
each chapter ... a
different basketball
question that needs to
be answered. Some of
them are obviously
crucial ... and some of
them are secretly
crucial. But all of them
are approached in
ways that ([the author]
hope[s] you think) are
smart and fun and
nuanced"--Back cover.

Muhammad Ali

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This eBook is a
collection of articles
from a Frontiers
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Topics are very popular
trademarks of the
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Series: they are
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ten articles, all
centered on a
particular subject. With
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The Mentor in Me Reel
Art Press

Are top scorers really the most valuable players? Are games decided in the final few minutes? Does the team with the best player usually win? Thinking Basketball challenges a number of common beliefs about the game

by taking a deep dive into the patterns and history of the NBA. Explore how certain myths arose while using our own cognition as a window into the game's popular narratives. New basketball concepts are introduced, such as power plays, portability and why the best player shouldn't always shoot. Discover how the box score can be misleading, why "closers" are overrated and how the outcome of a game fundamentally alters our memory. Behavioral economics, traffic paradoxes and other metaphors highlight this thought-provoking insight into the NBA and our own thinking. A must-read for any basketball fan - you'll never view the

sport, and maybe the world, the same again. The Expected Goals Philosophy CRC Press Journey "inside the numbers" for an exceptional set of statistical tools and rules that can help explain the winning, or losing, ways of a basketball team. Basketball on Paper doesn't diagram plays or explain how players get in shape, but instead demonstrates how to interpret player and team performance. Dean Oliver highlights general strategies for teams when they're winning or losing and what aspects should be the focus in either situation. He describes and quantifies the jobs of team leaders and role players, then discusses the interactions between players and how to

achieve the best fit. Oliver conceptualizes the meaning of teamwork and how to quantify the value of different types of players working together. He examines historically successful NBA teams and identifies what made them so successful: individual talent, a system of putting players together, or good coaching. Oliver then uses these statistical tools and case studies to evaluate the best players in history, such as Magic Johnson, Wilt Chamberlain, Bill Russell, and Charles Barkley and how they contributed to their teams' success. He does the same for some of the NBA's "oddball" players- Manute Bol, Muggsy Bogues, and Dennis

Rodman and for the WNBA's top players. Basketball on Paper is unique in its incorporation of business and analytical concepts within the context of basketball to measure the value of players in a cooperative setting. Whether you're looking for strategies or new ideas to throw out while watching the ballgame at a sports bar, Dean Oliver's Basketball on Paper will give you amazing new insights into teamwork, coaching, and success. *The MVP Machine* Crown Archetype In this New York Times bestseller, get the inside scoop into LeBron James's return -- and ultimate triumph -- in Cleveland. What really happened when LeBron James stunned

the NBA by leaving a potential dynasty in Miami to come home to play with the Cleveland Cavaliers? How did the Cavs use secret meetings to put together the deal to add star Kevin Love? Who really made the controversial decision to fire coach David Blatt when the team was in first place? Where did the greatest comeback in NBA history truly begin-and end? Return of the King takes you onto the private planes, inside the locker-room conversations, and into the middle of the intense huddles where one of the greatest stories in basketball history took place, resulting in the Cavs winning the 2016 NBA title after trailing the Golden State Warriors three games to one.

You'll hear from all the characters involved: the players, the executives, the agents, and the owners as they reveal stories never before told. Get the background on all the controversies, the rivalries, and the bad blood from two reporters who were there for every day, plot twist, and social media snafu as they take you through the fascinating ride that culminated in a heart-stopping Game Seven.

The Punch Frontiers Media SA

How math can be used to improve performance and predict outcomes in professional sports

Mathletics is a remarkably entertaining book that shows readers how to use simple mathematics to

analyze a range of statistical and probability-related questions in professional baseball, basketball, and football, and in sports gambling. How does professional baseball evaluate hitters? Is a singles hitter like Wade Boggs more valuable than a power hitter like David Ortiz? Should NFL teams pass or run more often on first downs? Could professional basketball have used statistics to expose the crooked referee Tim Donaghy? Does money buy performance in professional sports? In *Mathletics*, Wayne Winston describes the mathematical methods that top coaches and managers use to evaluate players and improve team performance, and

gives math enthusiasts the practical tools they need to enhance their understanding and enjoyment of their favorite sports—and maybe even gain the outside edge to winning bets. *Mathletics* blends fun math problems with sports stories of actual games, teams, and players, along with personal anecdotes from Winston's work as a sports consultant. Winston uses easy-to-read tables and illustrations to illuminate the techniques and ideas he presents, and all the necessary math concepts—such as arithmetic, basic statistics and probability, and Monte Carlo simulations—are fully explained in the examples. After reading *Mathletics*, you

will understand why baseball teams should almost never bunt, why football overtime systems are unfair, why points, rebounds, and assists aren't enough to determine who's the NBA's best player—and much, much more. In a new epilogue, Winston discusses the stats and numerical analysis behind some recent sporting events, such as how the Dallas Mavericks used analytics to become the 2011 NBA champions. *Personal Foul* Da Capo Press
Rodney Marshall examines Northampton Town's 2017-18 season, in addition to aspects of football which reach beyond NTFC: football as business; fan ownership; the ever-

evolving power of social media; the mental health and safeguarding of players; racism, football franchises and B teams; the demise of the FA Cup; glass ceilings and transfer windows; referees, laws and the use of technology; ground safety and redevelopment; the changing nature of towns and football clubs in the 21st century.

The Focus Project

Clerisy Press

Chasing Perfection goes behind the scenes of the multi-million dollar, high-stakes world of basketball player development, research and analysis, and the often secretive, cutting-edge methods that NBA franchises use to turn less-expensive,

supporting players into vital parts of championship teams. NBA superstars push as close to perfection as we're likely to see, but they are few and far between. The farther you get from the league's top echelon of talent, the more it's up to the players—and their teams—to develop and utilize their strengths while diminishing and masking their weaknesses as much as possible. There are no perfect basketball players, but there are plenty of perfected ones, who start with a basis of skill and physical ability and then are refined further and further in order to move closer and closer to their absolute potential. In *Chasing Perfection*, national sportswriter Andy

Glockner reveals that, though the concept of player improvement is as old as basketball itself, the current era of Big Data analytics in the NBA is transforming that process more quickly and aggressively than anything we have seen before. Players are learning more and more about themselves through video and data visualization, seeing how things like diet and sleep can impact their performance, and learning how having healthy joints and role-specific workout plans are lengthening and improving their careers. Teams are internalizing the same lessons, as well as figuring out how to better implement optimal on-court strategies, how to

refine their approaches to player acquisition and how to gauge the varying values and success rates of different, crucial team-building strategies. It's an absolutely fascinating time to be a fan, as the marriage of basketball and technology is bringing two of our most popular and competitive worlds together in compelling fashion. Using the 2014–15 NBA season as a prism to explore this mesh of sport and science, Glockner offers detailed perspective from NBA players, coaches, team management, and media, offering a comprehensive insider's view of how analytics are shaping the basketball we watch, and how those who are lagging behind

in the technology race already are feeling the competitive hit.

Performance Analysis in Sport Princeton

University Press

From humble

beginnings to

celebrated

entrepreneur and

successful business

coach, William Todd is

one of the few to be

personally mentored

by one of the masters

of personal and

business development,

Bob Proctor. The

Mentor in Me

chronicles a journey

many of us can relate

to -- been given the

tools and guidance to

achieve success and

then only sometimes

following through on

the wisdom offered.

The book documents

the time when William

used The Seven Levels

of Awareness to unlock

doors and change

paradigms and the

times when, to his

detriment, he failed to

make the most of

opportunities

presented. Until he

understood why he

was not achieving

long-lasting success,

he was doomed to

failure. The *Mentor in*

Me offers a rare

opportunity to watch

as Bob Proctor mentors

William through the

peaks and valleys

(ditches) of

entrepreneurship

towards a life of

seemingly effortless

abundance. The

Mentor in Me is not just

for entrepreneurs,

however. It is for

corporate

professionals,

students, parents and

grandparents,

educators, and

budding entrepreneurs

alike. "The *Mentor in*

Me is not a book you

pick up and read. It's a book you form a relationship with and you will want to study it daily for the rest of your life." -- Bob Proctor

Basketball on Paper
Abrams

An intimate 48 hours with Muhammed Ali in his fighting prime, as he prepared for the biggest fight of his life at 'Fighter's Retreat'. The book features over 150 photographs, of which most have never been seen or published. The photos include images of Ali in training, with his family, in the ring and relaxing. Together, they form a remarkably candid portrait that shows Ali taking part in a spectrum of activities and reveals something of the complexity of his character.

The Book of Basketball

HarperCollins

From one of basketball's foremost experts in the field of analytics, a fascinating new perspective on how to watch and think about the game. At its core, the goal of any basketball team is relatively simple: take and make good shots while preventing the opponent from doing the same. But what is a "good" shot? Are all good shots created equally? And how might one identify players who are more or less likely to make and prevent those shots in the first place? The concept of basketball "analytics," for lack of a better term, has been lauded, derided, and misunderstood. The incorporation of more data into NBA decision-making has been

credited—or blamed—for everything from the death of the traditional center to the proliferation of three-point shooting to the alleged abandonment of the area of the court known as the midrange. What is beyond doubt is that understanding its methods has never been more important to watching and appreciating the NBA. In *The Midrange Theory*, Seth Partnow, NBA analyst for *The Athletic* and former Director of Basketball Research for the Milwaukee Bucks, explains how numbers have affected the modern NBA game, and how those numbers seek not to "solve" the game of basketball but instead urge us toward

thinking about it in new ways. The relative value of Russell Westbrook's triple-doubles. Why some players succeed in the playoffs while others don't. How NBA teams think about constructing their rosters through the draft and free agency. The difficulty in measuring defensive achievement. The fallacy of the "quick two." From shot selection to evaluating prospects to considering aesthetics and ethics while analyzing the box scores, Partnow deftly explores where the NBA is now, how it got here, and where it might be going next.

Basketball Analytics

U of Nebraska Press
The E-Myth Real Estate Agent offers you a road map to create a

business that's self-sufficient, growing, and highly profitable. Take your company to levels you didn't think possible with this unique guide!

Hip-Hop (And Other Things)

National Geographic Books
Move over, Moneyball - this New York Times bestseller examines major league baseball's next cutting-edge revolution: the high-tech quest to build better players. As bestselling authors Ben Lindbergh and Travis Sawchik reveal in The MVP Machine, the Moneyball era is over. Fifteen years after Michael Lewis brought the Oakland Athletics' groundbreaking team-building strategies to light, every front office takes a data-driven approach to evaluating players, and the

league's smarter teams no longer have a huge advantage in valuing past performance. Lindbergh and Sawchik's behind-the-scenes reporting reveals: How undersized afterthoughts José Altuve and Mookie Betts became big sluggers and MVPs How polarizing pitcher Trevor Bauer made himself a Cy Young contender How new analytical tools have overturned traditional pitching and hitting techniques How a wave of young talent is making MLB both better than ever and arguably worse to watch Instead of out-drafting, out-signing, and out-trading their rivals, baseball's best minds have turned to out-developing opponents, gaining

greater edges than ever by perfecting prospects and eking extra runs out of older athletes who were once written off.

Lindbergh and Sawchik take us inside the transformation of former fringe hitters into home-run kings, show how washed-up pitchers have emerged as aces, and document how coaching and scouting are being turned upside down.

The MVP Machine charts the future of a sport and offers a lesson that goes beyond baseball: Success stems not from focusing on finished products, but from making the most of untapped potential.

Chasing Perfection

Lulu.com

For NBA superstar turned style icon Russell Westbrook,

fashion is not just a spectator sport--it pushes boundaries, blurs lines, and drives culture. This book is a celebration of Westbrook's style on and off the court, and the creative people he admires and works with. This deluxe edition of the book will come in luxury packaging that will include the book and a pair of Russell Westbrook designed sunglasses from his current collection that will be housed together in a clamshell box with an MVP bellyband. The box itself will be black faux leather with a basketball grain and black glossy stamped basketball lines. Russell Westbrook, a reigning two-time NBA All-Star MVP, is not your average basketball superstar.

Apart from his meteoric rise within the ranks of the NBA, Westbrook is a creative force prominently known and admired by the fashion industry and his fan base for his daring sartorial experimentation and love of all things fashion. Whether he is seen at the front row of a runway show during Milan Fashion Week, within the pages of Vogue, GQ, and the New York Times style section, or collaborating with Barneys New York or the Jordan brand, Westbrook has garnered the reputation of being the NBA's real fashion insider. This book is a collection of stylish and inspiring images and text that provide a rare glimpse into Westbrook's world,

revealing how he uses style as a psychological weapon on and off the court and how he has redefined the role of a contemporary athlete turned cultural figure. From photographs documenting his bold and cutting-edge outfits worn during the playoffs to images of his collaborations with global style brands and original quotes and interviews with fellow athletes, designers, and creative figures that inspire Westbrook, this book explores how to be fearless and confident in fashion and in life, what it means to be stylish, and the importance of authenticity in everything from style and music to art and business. This all-access volume is an essential for his fans and readers interested

in sports, style, design,
and popular culture.

Mathletics Simon and
Schuster

NEW YORK TIMES

BESTSELLER • Inspired

by a major ESPN film

series, this is an

extraordinary oral

history of

basketball—its eye-

opening untold history,

its profound deeper

meaning, its

transformative

influence on the

world—as told through

an unprecedented

series of candid

conversations with the

game's ultimate icons.

This is the greatest

love story never told. It

has passion and

heartbreak, triumph

and betrayal. It is

deeply intimate yet

crosses oceans,

upends lives and

changes nations. This

is the true story of

basketball. It is the

story of a Canadian

invention that took

over America, and the

world. Of a supposed

“white man’s sport”

that became a way for

people of color,

women, and

immigrants to claim a

new place in society.

Of a game that

demands everything of

those who love it, yet

gives so much back in

return. To tell this

story, acclaimed

journalists Jackie

MacMullan, Rafe

Bartholomew and Dan

Klores embarked on a

groundbreaking

mission to interview a

staggering lineup of

basketball trailblazers.

For the first time

hundreds of legends,

from Kobe, LeBron and

Steph Curry to Magic

Johnson, Dr. J and Jerry

West, spoke movingly

about their greatest

passion. Former NBA

commissioner David Stern and iconic coaches like Phil Jackson and Coach K opened up like never before. Those who shattered glass ceilings, from Bill Russell and Yao Ming to Cheryl Miller and Lisa Leslie, explained what it really took to lay claim to their place in the game. At once a definitive oral history and something far more revelatory and life affirming, *Basketball: A Love Story* is the defining untold oral history of how basketball came to be, and what it means to those who love it.

Syracuse University
Open Road Media
INSTANT #1 NEW YORK
TIMES BESTSELLER
WALL STREET JOURNAL
BESTSELLER BARNES &
NOBLE BESTSELLER

AMAZON BESTSELLER
"Paging through Serrano's *Movies (and Other Things)* is like taking a long drive at night with a friend; there's that warmth and familiarity where the chat is more important than the fastest route from Point A to Point B...It's like a textbook gone right; your attention couldn't wander if it tried." -- Elisabeth Egan, *New York Times* Book Review
Shea Serrano is back, and his new book, *Movies (And Other Things)*, combines the fury of a John Wick shootout, the sly brilliance of Regina George holding court at a cafeteria table, and the sheer power of a Denzel monologue, all into one. *Movies (And Other Things)* is a book about, quite frankly,

movies (and other things). One of the chapters, for example, answers which race Kevin Costner was able to white savior the best, because did you know that he white saviors Mexicans in McFarland, USA, and white saviors Native Americans in Dances with Wolves, and white saviors Black people in Black or White, and white saviors the Cleveland Browns in Draft Day? Another of the chapters, for a second example, answers what other high school movie characters would be in Regina George's circle of friends if we opened up the Mean Girls universe to include other movies (Johnny Lawrence is temporarily in, Claire from The Breakfast Club is in, Ferris Bueller

is out, Isis from Bring It On is out...). Another of the chapters, for a third example, creates a special version of the Academy Awards specifically for rom-coms, the most underrated movie genre of all. And another of the chapters, for a final example, is actually a triple chapter that serves as an NBA-style draft of the very best and most memorable moments in gangster movies. Many, many things happen in Movies (And Other Things), some of which are funny, others of which are sad, a few of which are insightful, and all of which are handled with the type of care and dedication to the smallest details and pockets of pop culture that only a book by Shea Serrano can

provide.

Basketball Analytics

Triumph Books
Sucker-Rod Pumping Handbook presents the latest information on the most common form of production enhancement in today's oil industry, making up roughly two-thirds of the producing oilwell operations in the world. The book begins with an introduction to the main features of sucker rod pumping and an explanation and comparison of lift methods. It goes on to provide the technical and practical knowledge needed to introduce the new and practicing production engineer and operator to the equipment, technology, and applications required to maintain optimum operating conditions.

Sucker-Rod Pumping Handbook is a must-have manual that ensures operators understand the design, components, and operation of sucker rod pump systems, learn the functions of the systems, apply the fundamental production engineering theories and calculations, and accomplish maximum system efficiency by avoiding the typical pitfalls that lead to fatigue and failure. Covers basic equipment, techniques, and codes to follow in a comprehensive and easy-to-understand format Helps users grasp common handling problems that lead to failures Provides analysis of sucker rod pump installations, including well testing,

dynamometer surveys, and modern interpretation methods
Aids operators in understanding and applying fundamental production theories and calculations of operational parameters
American Sherlock

SAGE

A New York

Times–bestselling, in-depth exploration of the most pivotal moments in rap music from 1979 to 2014. Here’s what *The Rap Year Book* does: It takes readers from 1979, widely regarded as the moment rap became recognized as part of the cultural and musical landscape, and comes right up to the present, with Shea Serrano hilariously discussing, debating,

and deconstructing the most important rap song year by year. Serrano also examines the most important moments that surround the history and culture of rap music—from artists’ backgrounds to issues of race, the rise of hip-hop, and the struggles among its major players—both personal and professional. Covering East Coast and West Coast, famous rapper feuds, chart toppers, and show stoppers, *The Rap Year Book* is an in-depth look at the most influential genre of music to come out of the last generation. Picked by *Billboard* as One of the 100 Greatest Music Books of All-Time Pitchfork Book Club’s first selection