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Long before the Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Giants brought the major leagues to California in

1958, professional baseball thrived on the West Coast in the form of the Pacific Coast League (PCL). Minor only in name, the league featured intense rivalries, a huge fan base, and such future Hall of Famers as Joe DiMaggio and Ted Williams. The Los Angeles Angels won 14 PCL pennants and stood as the league's premier franchise. This year-by-year chronicle of the Los Angeles Angels from 1903 to 1957 includes an overview of the PCL and a wealth of statistical

information, including an all-time player roster, a list of important team records, lineups, and attendance information. Based in part on personal interviews with former Angels players, this history offers a nostalgic look back at the PCL and the early days of baseball in the West. *The Los Angeles Angels of the Pacific Coast League* University of Nebraska Press
The history of the Colorado Rockies professional baseball team from its inaugural

1993 season to today, spotlighting the team's greatest players and most memorable moments. Shohei Ohtani Simon and Schuster
Tokyo Junkie is a memoir that plays out over the dramatic 60-year growth of the megacity Tokyo, once a dark, fetid backwater and now the most populous, sophisticated, and safe urban capital in the world. Follow author Robert Whiting (The Chrysanthemum and the Bat, You Gotta Have Wa, Tokyo Underworld) as he

watches Tokyo transform during the 1964 Olympics, rubs shoulders with the Yakuza and comes face to face with the city's dark underbelly, interviews Japan's baseball elite after publishing his first best-selling book on the subject, and learns how politics and sports collide to produce a cultural landscape unlike any other, even as a new Olympics is postponed and the COVID virus ravages the nation. A colorful social history of what Anthony Bourdain dubbed, "the greatest city

in the world," Tokyo Junkie is a revealing account by an accomplished journalist who witnessed it all firsthand and, in the process, had his own dramatic personal transformation.

Atlanta Braves Capstone Students will love learning about the Atlanta Braves in this high-interest title! Text covers the team's history, memorable wins, star players, and important coaches. Features include table of contents, fun facts, team stats, timeline, glossary,

and index. Aligned to Common Core standards and correlated to state standards. Big Buddy Books is an imprint of Abdo Publishing, a division of ABDO.

History of Baseball

Norwood House Press

For many sports fans there's no such thing as too much baseball. In *I Spy with My Little Eye: Baseball*, readers get double the fun. Brad Herzog (*H is for Home Run: A Baseball Alphabet*) teams up with photographer David Milne to create a visual puzzle

book that challenges the deductive skills and sharp eyes of young readers. Dual look-alike photographs are filled with baseballs, bats, and memorabilia. But one of the scenes in each photo pair has been slightly altered. Can you see the changes? How many can you find? Poetic clues help young fans and seasoned veterans spot the differences. From the number of trophies in the case to the jerseys hanging in a locker room, baseball fans of all ages will enjoy this new way of

spying the game! Brad Herzog's books with Sleeping Bear Press include *Full Count: A Baseball Number Book* and *S is for Save the Planet: A How-to be Green Alphabet*. Brad has won several awards from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. He lives on California's Monterey Peninsula. David Milne is a third-generation photographer in Toronto, Canada. He studied at Brooks Institute of Photography in Santa Barbara, California. David photographs art for

numerous galleries and artists, corporate portraits, and products. David was also the photographer for *I Spy with My Little Eye: Hockey. Cincinnati Reds* Simon and Schuster Introduction to the Chicago Cubs baseball team including top players, stories of past and present, statistics, a diagram of the home field, a section on basic gear, a phonetic glossary, and sources for further research. *Stars of Major League*

Baseball Baseball

Prospectus

A frank and often hilarious account of the baseball life from one of the game's great iconoclasts. "...the most entertaining baseball book of the year!" —Baseball Almanac From his first year in Rookie ball, when Tommy Lasorda ordered him to send a letter to the Dodgers' starting shortstop informing him that he should retire early to make way for the young phenom, to appearing in disguise in the Mets' dugout following

an ejection, Bobby Valentine was a lightning rod for mischievous controversy, grabbing headlines wherever he went. Mavericks are seldom welcomed to upset the status quo, and Major League Baseball was no exception. In astonishing detail, Bobby Valentine reflects on the many remarkable moments that comprised his playing and managerial careers. From his wild times as a player in the early seventies, to his transition to coaching with the Mets after a

catastrophic injury derailed his playing days; from managing the Texas Rangers in 1985, where he employed sabermetrics and witnessed the beginning of the steroid era, to his iconic stretch at Shea Stadium, when he led the Mets to the 2000 World Series while battling a dysfunctional front office and ownership; from his beloved time in Japan managing the Chiba Lotte Marines, who won the Japan Series, to the absolute disaster of a season in Boston, where

he was greeted by a toxic clubhouse and fractured organization. Readers will be intrigued by his off-the-field exploits as well, from his early years as an international ballroom dancing champion to his post-playing days where he may have invented the wrap sandwich and the modern sports bar. Valentine has consistently overcome adversity and reinvented himself, regardless of the playing field. Along the way, he shares stories and insights on memorable moments and iconic

personalities, including Nolan Ryan, Ichiro Suzuki, Gary Carter, Mike Piazza, Tom Seaver, Joe Torre, George Steinbrenner, Dustin Pedroia, and David Ortiz. *Valentine's Way* is a riveting look back on forty years of baseball, written with a novelist's mind and a journalist's memory, and in collaboration with legendary baseball author Peter Golenbock. A once-in-a-generation book that leaves no great story untold, this is an invaluable document for anyone wondering what it's really like to play and

work in the rarified world of Major League Baseball. *Loving Sports When They Don't Love You Back* National Geographic Books

A revised Team Spirit Baseball edition featuring the Washington Nationals that chronicles the history and accomplishments of the team. Includes access to the Team Spirit website which provides additional information and photos. [Baseball Biographies for Kids](#) North Star Editions, Inc.

Big Book of WHO is a book your young sports fans

will return to again and again! Batter up! Baseball is a game of legends. From diamond greats such as Babe Ruth and Willie Mays to Aaron Judge and Shohei Ohtani, this newly revised and updated edition of *The Big Book of WHO Baseball* is a collection of the 101 baseball stars every fan needs to know, past and present. Featuring the latest MLB photography and the most current information about baseball's best players, this *Sports Illustrated Kids* reference book for young

sports fans is written in a fun and easy-to-navigate question and answer format. Player profiles, facts, and stats are organized into five comprehensive categories: Champions, Super Sluggers, Prime Pitchers, Cool Characters, and Record Breakers. Completely redesigned to match the modern look of *Sports Illustrated Kids*, this fun collection of questions and answers will have kids stumping their friends and adult sports fans with their expert knowledge of

baseball's brightest stars. **Baseball Prospectus 2021** Stone Bridge Press, Inc.

This action-packed biography gives readers an inside look at the career of baseball superstar Manny Machado. Filled with exciting photos, compelling text, and informative sidebars, this book is sure to be a hit with young baseball fans. *The Meaning of Ichiro* Lerner Publications™ If you love baseball and the venerable stadiums its played in, you need this

definitive history and guide to Major League ballparks of the past, present, and future. With a tear-out checklist to mark ballparks you've visited and those on your bucket list, *Ballparks* takes you inside the histories of every park in the Major Leagues, with hundreds of photos, stories, and stats about: Storied parks like Wrigley Field, Fenway Park, and Dodger Stadium Fan favorites AT&T Park, Camden Yards, PNC Park, Safeco Field, and so much more Forgotten treasures

like Shibe Park in Philadelphia, Sportsman's Park in St. Louis, and all five parks of the Detroit Tigers New stadiums like the Atlanta Braves' SunTrust Park, the Minneapolis Twins' Target Field, and New York's Yankee Stadium and Citifield More than 40 other major league parks that tell the story of the national pastime through the lens of the fields the players call home No baseball fan's collection is complete without this up-to-date tome. *Washington Nationals,*

The McFarland Shohei Ohtani: A Japanese Star in the MLB Shohei Ohtani is a once-in-a-generation baseball player. He is the only player in Major League Baseball history to be named an All-Star as both a pitcher and a designated hitter in the same season. Ohtani was born in Japan in 1994. He began playing baseball at a young age and quickly rose to the top of the ranks. In 2012, he was drafted by the Hokkaido Nippon-Ham Fighters of Nippon Professional

Baseball (NPB). Ohtani made his NPB debut in 2013. He quickly became one of the best players in the league, winning the Pacific League MVP award in 2016. He also led Japan to the gold medal at the 2017 World Baseball Classic. After five seasons in NPB, Ohtani signed with the Los Angeles Angels of Major League Baseball (MLB) in 2017. He made his MLB debut in 2018 and had a solid rookie season, finishing with a 3.31 ERA and 10 wins as a pitcher, and a .285 batting average with 22

home runs as a designated hitter. Ohtani had a breakout season in 2021. He led the American League in home runs (46) and RBIs (100), and he also finished with a 3.18 ERA and nine wins as a pitcher. He was named the American League MVP for his incredible performance. Ohtani is a global superstar. He is one of the most popular athletes in Japan and around the world. He is also a role model for young athletes everywhere. Shohei Ohtani: A Japanese Star in

the MLB is the definitive biography of this remarkable athlete. It tells the story of his rise from humble beginnings in Japan to stardom in the MLB. It is a story of hard work, dedication, and perseverance. It is also a story of friendship, rivalry, and triumph. This book is a must-read for any fan of baseball or sports in general. It is a compelling story about one of the greatest athletes of all time.

SABR 50 at 50 Norwood House Press

This title focuses on the

history of Baseball and gives information related to its origins, fun facts, and superstars like Derek Jeter. This hi-lo title is complete with epic and colorful photographs, simple text, glossary, and an index. Aligned to Common Core Standards and correlated to state standards. Fly! is an imprint of Abdo Zoom, a division of ABDO.

Los Angeles Dodgers

Chartwell Books

Introduces readers to the life and career of baseball star Shohei Ohtani. Colorful spreads, fun

facts, interesting sidebars, and a map of important places in his life make this a thrilling read for young sports fans.

Ballparks Press Box Books

LA Angels fans call Shohei Ohtani the next Babe Ruth, but Ohtani might be even better. See how Ohtani pitched and slugged his way to MLB success and what comes next for the international superstar.

Toronto Blue Jays, The Norwood House Press Rarely does anyone use the term “two-way” in

regard to a baseball player. Yet the Los Angeles Angels’ Shohei Ohtani, at the young age of twenty-three, has become the epitome of the term, drawing comparisons to Babe Ruth by baseball pundits everywhere. After being drafted by the Hokkaido Nippon-Ham Fighters of the Japan Pacific League with the number-one pick in 2012, the eighteen-year-old Ohtani struggled with the bat during his rookie season. However, he had a breakout year in 2014, posting a 2.61 ERA

in 24 starts and 179 strikeouts (as well as 10 home runs). By 2017, all thirty Major League Baseball teams had heard about the Japanese phenom and expressed interest in signing him. Ultimately, the Angels offered him the opportunity to compete as a two-way player and the chance to accomplish his professional goals. After a quiet spring training, Ohtani broke out in the first two weeks of the 2018 regular season, becoming just the 14th pitcher in major-league

history to strike out 12 batters in one of his first two starts. He also homered in three consecutive games during that stretch. Shohei Ohtani: The Amazing Story of Baseball's Two-Way Japanese Superstar tells the story of the player from rural Japan who became a two-way star not seen in America since Babe Ruth. With highlights of his best games on the mound and at bat from each month of his rookie season and anecdotes of his life in America, this is the one

book that every fan will want. *Once They Were Angels* Independently Published The 2021 edition of The New York Times Bestselling Guide. PLAY BALL! The 26th edition of this industry-leading baseball annual contains all of the important statistics, player predictions and insider-level commentary that readers have come to expect, along with significant improvements to several statistics that were created by, and are exclusive to, Baseball

Prospectus, and an expanded focus on international players and teams. Baseball Prospectus 2021 provides fantasy players and insiders alike with prescient PECOTA projections, which The New York Times called “the überforecast of every player’s performance.” With more than 50 Baseball Prospectus alumni currently working for major-league baseball teams, nearly every organization has sought the advice of current or former BP analysts, and

readers of Baseball Prospectus 2021 will understand why!

The Cooperstown

Casebook Macmillan Grand slam! Inspiring baseball biographies for young fans ages 9 to 12 It’s the bottom of the ninth, bases are loaded, and your team is down by three—who do you want coming up to bat? Baseball Biographies for Kids answers this question and more! Bursting with statistics and impressive feats from the greatest players of the last 60 years, this lineup of

inspirational baseball biographies shows you what it takes to be a real MVP. Discover the ultimate dream team as you explore the best pros for each position. You’ll also get quick looks into some truly legendary baseball players and lots of fun facts! Baseball Biographies for Kids includes: Modern stars, real stories—From Cal Ripken Jr. to David Ortiz, you’ll discover the players who truly defined the game. Tons of stats—Each biography includes critical info, including games

played, ERA, hits, and more. Draft your own all-star team—Fill out the included starting lineup sheet with your picks for each position. These baseball biographies really knock it out of the park for big fans and aspiring players!

Tokyo Junkie St. Martin's Paperbacks

The National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, tucked away in upstate New York in a small town called Cooperstown, is far from any major media market or big league stadium. Yet no sports

hall of fame's membership is so hallowed, nor its qualifications so debated, nor its voting process so dissected. Since its founding in 1936, the Hall of Fame's standards for election have been nebulous, and its selection processes arcane, resulting in confusion among voters, not to mention mistakes in who has been recognized and who has been bypassed. Numerous so-called "greats" have been inducted despite having

not been so great, while popular but controversial players such as all-time home run leader Barry Bonds and all-time hits leader Pete Rose are on the outside looking in. Now, in *The Cooperstown Casebook*, Jay Jaffe shows us how to use his revolutionary ranking system to ensure the right players are recognized. The foundation of Jaffe's approach is his JAWS system, an acronym for the Jaffe WAR Score, which he developed over a decade ago. Through JAWS, each candidate can

be objectively compared on the basis of career and peak value to the players at his position who are already in the Hall of Fame. Because of its utility, JAWS has gained an increasing amount of exposure in recent years. Through his analysis, Jaffe shows why the Hall of Fame still matters and how it can remain relevant in the 21st

century.

Valentine's Way ABDO Once They Were Angels details the baseball team's rich 44-year history through fresh perspectives from the players who defined the franchise: Bo Belinsky, Jim Fregosi, Nolan Ryan, Rod Carew, Don Baylor, Reggie Jackson, Jim Abbott and many others.

The book ends where it begins ? with Scott Spiezio reliving his dramatic home run in the seventh inning of Game Six of the 2002 World Series. Like any great franchise worth remembering, Once They Were Angels will form an indelible stamp in the hearts and minds of Angels fans both young and old.