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**LOST and PROFOUND** Mark McKirdy 2015-03-03 'LOST and PROFOUND: The Rejected Book Reviews by Famous People' is a unique and hilarious collection of unpublished book reviews seemingly written by household names who have reached the top in film, television, journalism, science, music, sport, art, business, politics and literature. Included among the 'reviewers' are George W. Bush, David Letterman, Madonna, Gore Vidal, Shirley MacLaine, Arnold Palmer, Elton John, Gloria Steinem, David Suzuki, Walter Cronkite, Salvatore 'Sammy the Bull' Gravano, Jimmy Swaggart and Monica Lewinsky. All the books reviewed are real, and the astonishing diversity of interests of the celebrities demonstrates that shallow perception can never be disguised as deep thought, no matter how cleverly expressed. As revealed in the book's 'Introduction', Mark McKirdy acquired this collection when he successfully bid for a small, dusty box at a Sotheby's auction in 2013. Upon his return to Oxford University, where he was the anthropologist-in-residence, he opened the box and, like Howard Carter marveling at

the treasures he'd just unearthed from Tutankhamun's tomb in 1922, the author was holding a golden collection of book reviews by many of the world's most significant people. Each review had apparently been commissioned by the prestigious literary journal, 'The London Review of Books' and each, for reasons never revealed, received a soul-crushing rebuff by way of a large, red 'Rejected' stamp. As with all well written satire, 'LOST and PROFOUND' will give readers pause for thought, seconds for chuckling, minutes of laughing out loud and hours of fun, and if the celebrities mentioned in the book didn't actually write the reviews cited, they probably wish they had.

*Career Opportunities in the Sports Industry, Third Edition* Shelly Field  
2009-01-01

Tiger, Meet My Sister... Rick Reilly 2014-05-13 In this hilariously funny essay collection, ESPN columnist Rick Reilly compiles the best of his sports columns—essays that include his expert opinion on athlete tattoos, NFL cheerleaders, and even running with the bulls in Pamplona. Rick Reilly has no compunction telling readers, in his quick-witted style, how

he really feels about some of the most popular sports figures of our time. Wondering about quarterback Jay Cutler? "Cutler is the kind of guy you just want to pick up and throw into a swimming pool, which is exactly what Peyton Manning and two linemen did one year at the Pro Bowl." Or how about Tiger Woods? "Sometimes you wonder where Tiger Woods gets his public-relations advice. Gary Busey?" But for every brazen takedown, Reilly has written a heartwarming story of the power of sports to heal the wounded and lift the downtrodden: the young Ravens fan with cancer who called the plays for a few—victorious—games in 2012, or the onetime top NFL recruit who was finally exonerated after serving five years for a crime he didn't commit. Whether he makes you laugh, cry, or just gets under your skin, Rick Reilly is sure to offer a unique and hilarious perspective on your favorite golf players, football teams, MVPs, and more. Rick Reilly has been called "one of the funniest humans on the planet—an indescribable amalgam of Dave Barry, Jim Murray, and Lewis Grizzard, with the timing of Jay Leno and the wit of Johnny Carson" (Publishers Weekly). With a new introduction and updates from Reilly on his most talked-about columns, *Tiger, Meet My Sister...* makes the perfect gift for sports fans of all kinds.

**Career Coach** Shelly Field 2008 Provides instruction and advice on cultivating a career in the sports industry, focusing on finding the right job, self-marketing and promotion, and interview techniques.

**Sir Charles** Charles Barkley 2009-09-26 Outrageous, irreverent quotes from the 1993 NBA Most Valuable Player reveal his far-reaching appraisal of the game, his fellow players, the officials, the writers, and the fans.

Sports from Hell Rick Reilly 2011 A popular sports columnist searches for the most absurd sporting event on the planet, in a book that looks at such gems as chess boxing, the rock-paper-scissors championship, the illegal world of jart throwing, a sport that involves putting a ferret down one's pants and much more. By the author of *Who's Your Caddy?*

501 Excuses for a Bad Golf Shot Justin J. Exner 1999-03-01 This book was written for all the weekend hackers who are hopelessly addicted to chasing a little white ball all over God's green earth. These are just some

of the best excuses that I have heard and used for terrible shots.

**A Good Walk Spoiled** John Feinstein 2014-05-27 "The best-ever account of life on the PGA tour" (Golf Magazine): John Feinstein's bestselling classic is a must-read for anyone who loves the game of golf. Traveling with the golfers on the PGA Tour, Feinstein gets inside the heads of the game's greatest players as well as its struggling wannabes. Meet superstars like Nick Price, who nailed a fifty-foot putt at the seventeenth to win the British Open, and Paul Azinger, who marked his return from a bout with cancer with an emotional appearance at the Buick Open. Go behind the scenes for Davis Love III's unforgettable come-from-behind victory in the Ryder Cup. In golf, Feinstein eloquently relates, the line that separates triumph from disappointment is incredibly fine. "One week you've discovered the secret to the game; the next week you never want to play it again."

*Commander in Cheat* Rick Reilly 2019-04-02 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER "Reilly pokes more holes in Trump's claims than there are sand traps on all of his courses combined. It is by turns amusing and alarming." -- The New Yorker "Golf is the spine of this shocking, wildly humorous book, but humanity is its flesh and spirit." -- Chicago Sun-Times "Every one of Trump's most disgusting qualities surfaces in golf." - The Ringer An outrageous indictment of Donald Trump's appalling behavior when it comes to golf -- on and off the green -- and what it reveals about his character. Donald Trump loves golf. He loves to play it, buy it, build it, and operate it. He owns 14 courses around the world and runs another five, all of which he insists are the best on the planet. He also claims he's a 3 handicap, almost never loses, and has won an astonishing 18 club championships. How much of all that is true? Almost none of it, acclaimed sportswriter Rick Reilly reveals in this unsparing look at Trump in the world of golf. Based on Reilly's own experiences with Trump as well as interviews with over 100 golf pros, amateurs, developers, and caddies, *Commander in Cheat* is a startling and at times hilarious indictment of Trump and his golf game. You'll learn how Trump cheats (sometimes with the help of his caddies and Secret Service agents), lies about his scores (the "Trump Bump"), tells whoppers about

the rank of his courses and their worth (declaring that every one of them is worth \$50 million), and tramples the etiquette of the game (driving on greens doesn't help). Trump doesn't brag so much, though, about the golf contractors he stiffes, the course neighbors he intimidates, or the way his golf decisions wind up infecting his political ones. For Trump, it's always about winning. To do it, he uses the tricks he picked up from the hustlers at the public course where he learned the game as a college kid, and then polished as one of the most bombastic businessmen of our time. As Reilly writes, "Golf is like bicycle shorts. It reveals a lot about a man." Commander in Cheat "paints a side-splitting portrait of a congenital cheater" (Esquire), revealing all kinds of unsightly truths Trump has been hiding.

One Magical Sunday Phil Mickelson 2005-03-01 For years Phil Mickelson symbolized the classic runnerup in the golf world, always placing near the top of every tournament, always near the top of the money list, but never reaching the pinnacle of winning one of the Majors. Then finally, on one magical Sunday, Phil's dream came true as he sank an 18-foot putt on the 18th hole to win the 2004 Masters. Mickelson leapt into the air in total celebration--and an entire nation of golfing fans leapt in joy with him. ONE MAGICAL SUNDAY journeys hole-by-hole with Phil on that fateful day, weaving the story of his life into the game--from his introduction to golf at the age of three to starting a family and pro golf career.

**Ben Hogan's Magical Device** Ted Hunt 2009-05-26 In 1954, Ben Hogan stated in the serialized lessons he wrote for Life magazine that he had "a secret." He challenged the world to find it by stating "It is easy to see if I tell you where to look." He then wrote his legendary instructional book, Five Lessons, and created a remarkable golf swing puzzle, but somehow one important piece of information was missing. Golf expert after golf expert have attempted to define this secret over the years, serving to compile a rather lengthy list of what they think the secret is but never quite explaining how it's done. Enter Ben Hogan's Magical Device, a revealing book which intends to finally explain, in universally understandable terms, that long-lost secret to Hogan's swing. As a

lifelong golfer with 50+ years of experience, two degrees in Physical Education and a Doctorate in History, author Ted Hunt became determined to track down Hogan's secret himself. He reviewed most of the literature concerning Hogan and interviewed many professionals (including Jack Nicklaus) and the result of his research produced a clearer understanding of the source of the confusion concerning Hogan's secret. An hypothesis was conceived and tested, and Hunt was pleased to discover that his analysis stood up to critical examination. But perhaps more importantly, his golf responded with more accuracy and lower scores, which included shooting his age (79) several times within weeks of embracing the secret. Complete with 100 photos/illustrations and a foreword by movie star Sean Connery, Ben Hogan's Magical Device gives an easy-to-follow explanation of Hogan's secret, where it comes from, and the foundations which support its successful execution. Interspersed throughout the text are stories from professional acquaintances who spoke with Hunt about their times with Mr. Hogan.

An American Caddie in St. Andrews Oliver Horovitz 2013-03-14 A hilarious and poignant memoir of a Harvard student who comes of age as a caddie on St. Andrews's fabled Old Course. In the middle of Oliver Horovitz's high school graduation ceremony, his cell phone rang: It was Harvard. He'd been accepted, but he couldn't start for another year. A caddie since he was twelve and a golfer sporting a 1.8 handicap, Ollie decides to spend his gap year in St. Andrews, Scotland—a town with the U.K.'s highest number of pubs per capita, and home to the Old Course, golf's most famous eighteen holes—where he enrolls in the St. Andrews Links Trust caddie trainee program. Initially, the notoriously brusque veteran caddies treat Ollie like a bug. But after a year of waking up at 4:30 A.M. every morning and looping two rounds a day, Ollie earns their grudging respect— only to have to pack up and leave for Harvard. There, Ollie's new classmates are the sons of Albania's UN ambassador, the owner of Heineken, and the CEO of Goldman Sachs. Surrounded by sixth generation legacies, he feels like a fish out of water all over again and can't wait to get back to St. Andrews. Even after graduation, when his college friends rush to Wall Street, Horovitz continues to return each

summer to caddie on the Old Course. A hilarious, irresistible, behind-the-scenes peek at the world's most celebrated golf course—and its equally famous caddie shack—An American Caddie in St. Andrews is certain to not only entertain golfers and fans of St. Andrews but also anyone who dares to remember stumbling into adulthood and finding one's place in the world.

*Shanks for Nothing* Rick Reilly 2007-05 In the zany sequel to *Missing Links*, Raymond "Stick" Hart's terrific life is turned upside down when Ponky's cheapskate owner announces that he is selling it to the snobbish Mayflower Club, his hated blue-blooded father drops dead, his friend loses money to a hustler funded by the Russian mob, his wife throws him out, and he must qualify for the British Open to solve his problems. Reprint. 30,000 first printing.

**The Little Book of Breaking 80 - How to Shoot in the 70s (Almost) Every Time You Play Golf** Shane Jones 2013-09-01 Shane Jones had been a golf enthusiast for many years, yet he rarely broke 80 in his games. He watched what others did and found that golfers, non-professional and professional alike, shared common traits for a good game. He compiled what he noticed, put it to practice, and wrote this book about his findings.

**Red Dragon** Thomas Harris 2009-01-06 THE NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER Feed your fears with the terrifying classic that introduced cannibalistic serial killer Hannibal Lecter. FBI agent Will Graham once risked his sanity to capture Hannibal Lecter, an ingenious killer like no other. Now, he's following the bloodstained pattern of the Tooth Fairy, a madman who's already wiped out two families. To find him, Graham has to understand him. To understand him, Graham has only one place left to go: the mind of Dr. Lecter.

*Missing Links* Rick Reilly 2011-05-04 When a group of middle-class buddies obsessed with golf set up a bet to see who can finagle their way onto the nearby private course, their friendship is tested in ways they had never expected in this humorous novel from Rick Reilly, one of America's most popular sportswriters. *Missing Links* is the story of four middle class buddies who live outside of Boston and for years have been

1) utterly obsessed with golf and 2) a regular foursome at Ponkaquoque Municipal Course and Deli, not so fondly known as Ponky, the single worst golf course in America. Just adjacent to these municipal links lies the Mayflower Country Club, the most exclusive private course in all of Boston and a major needle in their collective sides. Frustrated by the Mayflower's finely manicured greens and snooty members, three of Ponky's finest and most courageous—Two Down, Dannie, and Stick—set up a bet: \$1,000.00 apiece, and the first man to somehow finagle his way on to the Mayflower course takes all. Lying, cheating, and forgery are encouraged, to put it mildly, and with the constant heckling and rare aid of Chunkin' Charlie, Hoover, and Bluto—a few more of Ponky's elite—the games begin. One of the three will eventually play the Mayflower's course, but their friendships—and everything else—will change as various truths unravel and the old Ponky starts looking like the home they never should have left.

**Caddyshack** Chris Nashawaty 2018-04-24 “More fun to read than the movie was to watch... a scene-stealing book.” — The Washington Post An Entertainment Weekly "Must List" selection *Caddyshack* is one of the most beloved comedies of all time, a classic snobs vs. slobs story of working class kids and the white collar buffoons that make them haul their golf bags in the hot summer sun. It has sex, drugs and one very memorable candy bar, but the movie we all know and love didn't start out that way, and everyone who made it certainly didn't have the word “classic” in mind as the cameras were rolling. In *Caddyshack: The Making of a Hollywood Cinderella Story* film critic for Entertainment Weekly Chris Nashawaty goes behind the scenes of the iconic film, chronicling the rise of comedy's greatest deranged minds as they form *The National Lampoon*, turn the entertainment industry on its head, and ultimately blow up both a golf course and popular culture as we know it. *Caddyshack* is at once an eye-opening narrative about one of the most interesting, surreal, and dramatic film productions there's ever been, and a rich portrait of the biggest, and most revolutionary names in Hollywood. So, it's got that going for it...which is nice.

**One Tough Cop** Bo Dietl 1998-10 In an age of rampant corruption and

violence, Richard "Bo" Dietl was the strongest cop on New York's meanest streets -- and he did things his way, no holds barred. In fifteen years he made over 1,400 felony arrests compared to the average cop's career total of 180. But after 75 medals and awards, and countless brushes with death, he broke the city's most notorious case -- the Harlem convent rape -- and faced a blue wall of police department resentments and politics. He knew his time was coming to an end. *The Bo Dietl Story* From his rookie days to the dangerous work on the police decoy unit to his moonlighting as a bodyguard for Arab sheiks, this is the true story of the maverick cop who made the busts, the headlines and the controversies. Now Bo Dietl tells what it's really like inside the raw and deadly world of a big-city cop -- and how one man became a legend from the station house to the streets.

*Who's Your Caddy?* Rick Reilly 2004 The popular sportswriter and humorist describes his experiences as a caddy for some famous professional and celebrity golfers, offering accounts of his own ineptitude as a caddy and insights into what makes golfers great.

**A Course Called Ireland** Tom Coyne 2010-02-02 The hysterical story bestseller about one man's epic Celtic sojourn in search of ancestors, nostalgia, and the world's greatest round of golf By turns hilarious and poetic, *A Course Called Ireland* is a magnificent tour of a vibrant land and paean to the world's greatest game in the tradition of Bill Bryson's *A Walk in the Woods*. In his thirties, married, and staring down impending fatherhood, Tom Coyne was familiar with the last refuge of the adult male: the golfing trip. Intent on designing a golf trip to end all others, Coyne looked to Ireland, the place where his father has taught him to love the game years before. As he studied a map of the island and plotted his itinerary, it dawned on Coyne that Ireland was ringed with golf holes. The country began to look like one giant round of golf, so Coyne packed up his clubs and set off to play all of it-on foot. *A Course Called Ireland* is the story of a walking-averse golfer who treks his way around an entire country, spending sixteen weeks playing every seaside hole in Ireland. Along the way, he searches out his family's roots, discovers that a once-poor country has been transformed by an economic boom, and finds that

the only thing tougher to escape than Irish sand traps are Irish pubs.

**Historical Dictionary of Golf** Bill Mallon 2011-01-21 *Historical Dictionary of Golf*—through a chronology, an introductory essay, a bibliography, photos, and over 300 cross-referenced dictionary entries on people, places, teams, and terminology of the game—is a comprehensive history of golf.

**One Hundred Proofs that the Earth is Not a Globe** William Carpenter 2020-07-14 First published in 1895, this volume contains a series of arguments against the idea that the world is round. The belief that the Earth is flat and not a globe existed in many ancient civilisations, but we now know that this is not true. However, even today there are those who believe in a flat earth, just as there was when ideas of a spherical earth were relatively new. Within this book, the author explains why these new ideas of the planet as a globe are absurd, with interesting examples and explanations as to precisely why. Highly recommended for those with an interest in Flat Earth theory and the history of astronomy. Contents include: "Ships 'Going Down!'", "How Much Loner Will it Be?", "Absurd Theory!", "No Proof to be Had", "When the Man Has Time!", "Earth A Globe", "The Scientific Wager of 1870", "Our Opponents Ways and Means", etc. Many vintage books such as this are increasingly scarce and expensive. It is with this in mind that we are republishing this book today in an affordable, modern edition complete with the original text and artwork.

*Tales from Q School* John Feinstein 2007-05-02 From the author of *Raise a Fist*, *Take a Knee* and *A Good Walk Spoiled*, this "must-read" national bestseller takes you inside the dramatic world of the highest-pressure golf tournament in the world (Tampa Tribune). It is the tournament that separates champions from mortals. It is the starting point for the careers of future legends and can be the final stop on the down escalator for fading stars. The annual PGA Tour Qualifying Tournament is one of the most grueling competitions in any sport. Every fall, veterans and talented hopefuls sweat through six rounds of hell at Q school, as the tournament is universally known, to get a shot at the PGA Tour, vying for the 30 slots available. The grim reality: If you don't make it through Q school, you're

not on the PGA tour. You're out. And those who make it to the six-day finals are the lucky ones: hundreds more players fail to get through the equally grueling first two stages of the event. John Feinstein tells the story of the players who compete for these coveted positions in the 2005 Q school as only he can. With arresting accounts from the players, established winners, rising stars, the defeated, and the endlessly hopeful, America's favorite sportswriter unearths the inside story behind the PGA Tour's brutal all-or-nothing competition.

**Pattern Recognition** William Gibson 2004-06-24 Pattern Recognition - a pulsating techno-thriller by William Gibson, bestselling author of Neuromancer Cayce Pollard has been flown to London. She's a 'coolhunter' - her services for hire to global corporations desperate for certainty in a capricious and uncertain world. Now she's been offered a special project: track down the makers of the addictive online film that's lighting up the 'net. Hunting the source will take her to Tokyo and Moscow and put her in the sights of Japanese computer crazies and Russian Mafia men. She's up against those who want to control the film, to own it - who figure breaking the law is just another business strategy. The kind of people who relish turning the hunter into the hunted . . . William Gibson is a prophet and a satirist, a black comedian and an outstanding architect of cool. Readers of Neal Stephenson, Ray Bradbury and Iain M. Banks will love this book. Pattern Recognition is the first novel in the Blue Ant trilogy - read Spook Country and Zero History for more. 'A big novel, full of bold ideas . . . races along like an expert thriller' GQ 'Dangerously hip. Its dialogue and characterization will amaze you. A wonderfully detailed, reckless journey of espionage and lies' USA Today 'A compelling, humane story with a sympathetic heroine searching for meaning and consolation in a post-everything world' Daily Telegraph Idoru is a gripping techno-thriller by William Gibson, bestselling author of Neuromancer 'Fast, witty and cleverly politicized' Guardian

*The Downhill Lie* Carl Hiaasen 2008-05-13 Originally drawn to the game by his father, Carl Hiaasen wisely quit golfing in 1973. But some ambitions refuse to die, and as the years—and memories of shanked 7-

irons faded, it dawned on Carl that there might be one thing in life he could do better in middle age than he could as a youth. So gradually he ventured back to the dreaded driving range, this time as the father of a five-year-old son—and also as a grandfather. “What possesses a man to return in midlife to a game at which he’d never excelled in his prime, and which in fact had dealt him mostly failure, angst and exasperation? Here’s why I did it: I’m one sick bastard.” And thus we have Carl’s foray into a world of baffling titanium technology, high-priced golf gurus, bizarre infomercial gimmicks and the mind-bending phenomenon of Tiger Woods; a maddening universe of hooks and slices where Carl ultimately—and foolishly—agrees to compete in a country-club tournament against players who can actually hit the ball. “That’s the secret of the sport’s infernal seduction,” he writes. “It surrenders just enough good shots to let you talk yourself out of quitting.” Hiaasen’s chronicle of his shaky return to this bedeviling pastime and the ensuing demolition of his self-esteem—culminating with the savage 45-hole tournament—will have you rolling with laughter. Yet the bittersweet memories of playing with his own father and the glow he feels when watching his own young son belt the ball down the fairway will also touch your heart. Forget Tiger, Phil and Ernie. If you want to understand the true lure of golf, turn to Carl Hiaasen, who offers an extraordinary audiobook for the ordinary hacker. BONUS: This edition includes an excerpt from Carl Hiaasen's Bad Monkey.

**The Life of Reilly** Rick Reilly 2001 Witty, irreverent, opinionated, honest, laugh-out-loud funny -- these are just a few of the adjectives that have been used to describe the writing of Rick Reilly, the six-time National Sportswriter of the Year who has entertained the readers of Sports Illustrated for 15 years with his unique perspective on the world of sports and life in general. Now, in *The Life of Reilly*, Rick has selected 66 of his finest stories to create a collection that is sure to amuse, inform, and provoke sports fans and non-fans alike.

*The Masters* Curt Sampson 1999 A revelatory history of the most prestigious tournament in golf highlights the wins and losses of the contest's famous names and illuminates the local politics, racism,

finances, and publicity involved in its six and a half decades. Reprint. 25,000 first printing.

**Sports Illustrated Hate Mail from Cheerleader** Rick Reilly

2007-05-01 For years, many of Sports Illustrated's 21 million readers turned first to the magazine's last page, because that's where they find SI's most popular feature: the Life of Reilly column, written by best-selling author Rick Reilly. A 22-year veteran of Sports Illustrated and a 10-time National Sportswriter of the Year, Reilly took over SI's back page in 1998, and his column immediately attracted a devoted following, including the legions of fans who helped make his first collection, *The Life of Reilly*, a New York Times best seller in 2000. Now comes *Hate Mail from Cheerleaders*, 100 of Reilly's favorites, along with a new foreword and column postscripts by the author. Alternately sidesplitting and heartwarming but always opinionated and provocative, these pieces are the best work by the best columnist in the business.

**The Match** Mark Frost 2007-11-06 In 1956, a casual bet between two millionaires eventually pitted two of the greatest golfers of the era -- Byron Nelson and Ben Hogan -- against top amateurs Harvie Ward and Ken Venturi. The year: 1956. Decades have passed since Eddie Lowery came to fame as the ten-year-old caddie to U.S. Open Champion Francis Ouimet. Now a wealthy car dealer and avid supporter of amateur golf, Lowery has just made a bet with fellow millionaire George Coleman. Lowery claims that two of his employees, amateur golfers Harvie Ward and Ken Venturi, cannot be beaten in a best-ball match, and challenges Coleman to bring any two golfers of his choice to the course at 10 a.m. the next day to settle the issue. Coleman accepts the challenge and shows up with his own power team: Ben Hogan and Byron Nelson, the game's greatest living professionals, with fourteen major championships between them. In Mark Frost's peerless hands, complete with the recollections of all the participants, the story of this immortal foursome and the game they played that day--legendarily known in golf circles as the greatest private match ever played--comes to life with powerful, emotional impact and edge-of-your-seat suspense.

*Amazing Tales from the Chicago Cubs Dugout* Bob Logan 2012-02-07

*Amazing Stories From the Cubs Dugout* is crammed with stories, quotes, and anecdotes about the greatest Cubs players of past and present. The story of the Cubs is part legend, part pathos; heroic and, on occasion, hilarious. Enjoy the heartbreak and joy of unforgettable afternoons at Wrigley Field. Without a doubt *Amazing Stories From the Cubs Dugout* is a must for any Chicago Cubs fan.

**The Bogey Man** George Plimpton 2016-04-26 George Plimpton chronicles his month spent on the PGA tour in *THE BOGEY MAN*, now repackaged and including a foreword by Rick Reilly and never-before-seen content from the Plimpton Archives. What happens when a weekend athlete--of average skill at best--joins the professional golf circuit? George Plimpton, one of the finest participatory sports journalists, spent a month of self-imposed torture on the tour to find out. Along the way, he meets amateurs, pros, caddies, officials, fans, and hangers-on. In *THE BOGEY MAN*, we find golf legends, adventurers, stroke-saving theories, superstitions, and other golfing lore, and best of all, Plimpton's thoughts and experiences--frustrating, humbling and, sometimes, thrilling--from the first tee to the last green. This intriguing classic, which remains one of the wittiest books ever written on golf, features Arnold Palmer, Dow Finsterwald, Walter Hagan, and many other golf greats and eccentrics, all doing what they do best.

*Every Shot Must Have a Purpose* Pia Nilsson 2005-09-22 Two legendary coaches give golfers a powerful new approach to the game... and to life. As coaches to some of golf's top players, Pia Nilsson and Lynn Marriott have designed and refined a revolutionary way of teaching the game, with phenomenal results. They don't believe in prescribing the same stance, grip, and swing to everyone, followed by hours of purposeless drilling. They don't even believe in beginning with physical technique. Their success has proven to them that a great game begins with a great vision. Unlike any other golf book, *Every Shot Must Have a Purpose* offers cutting-edge techniques for integrating the physical, technical, mental, emotional, and social parts of a player's game. The book's revolutionary pre-shot routine will improve your focus, leading to a golf swing that is not only successful but can be repeated under extreme

pressure. Emphasizing the individual golfer rather than a rigid set of mechanics, their VISION54 method takes the frustration out of the game. Why 54? Because they believe it's possible to shoot a 54 (making a birdie on every hole of a par-72 course) if you have the right mind-set and well-honed intuitive power. An engaging read for the beginner or the seasoned golfer, Every Shot Must Have a Purpose is inspiration for life, not just the links.

**Unconscious Putting** Dave Stockton 2011-09-15 "The Pro Tours' Hottest Coach" (Golf Digest) reveals the secrets that helped Phil Mickelson win the 2010 Masters and can utterly transform every player's game. When a resurgent Phil Mickelson won the Tour Championship in September 2009, he was quick to credit a series of simple putting lessons from veteran golf champion and instructor Dave Stockton. As a top coach, Stockton has taught a long list of pro players-including Annika Sorenstam, Yani Tseng (winner of four LPGA tournaments), Adam Scott (Texas Open champion), Hunter Mahan (Phoenix Open champion), and Morgan Pressel (World Ladies Championship of Japan winner)-the putting strategies that finessed their game. Stockton's breakthrough concept is that every player has their own Signature Stroke, which is unconscious. Good putting comes from the mind, Stockton says, not from a series of stiff mechanical positions. With visualization, the right frame of mind, an efficient pre-putt routine, and connection to the individual internal stroke signature, any player can make far more putts. Putting has always been taught as an offshoot to the full swing, when in reality it is far different- almost a different game. Unconscious Putting will help players get out of the rigid, mechanical, overthinking trap. In Unconscious Putting, Stockton shows how players at every handicap level-from pros to weekend golfers-can putt effortlessly and with confidence by integrating a new mental approach with a few simple physical routines that will keep them locked on target. Readers will also gain invaluable advice on reading greens and equipment. Illustrated throughout and filled with anecdotes about how Stockton's lessons have helped today's leading players, Unconscious Putting is a must-have golf book and a category classic-in-the-making.

**A Swing for Life** Nick Faldo 2012-11-08 Nick Faldo is considered one of the world's most complete golfers. For years he analysed his game in search of the perfect swing. In this extensive book-the fully updated and revised version of a timeless golf classic-he shares his experience and the skills of that game. Faldo explains the principles behind his flowing, consistent swing-a swing to apply to every club in the bag. He discusses driving strategy, short-game technique, bunker play, and the art of putting, and includes new information on fitness, equipment, his philosophy of golf, new developments in his swing, and more. Supporting these principles are 250 superb photographs that illustrate how to swing, no matter what part of the course you're on. For experienced golfers, Faldo's strategy on "working the ball" will surely fascinate, as will his philosophy of "taking your game to the course." He stresses that practice and confidence go together-and in this essential book, filled with the same drills and exercises he personally uses for tournament preparation, will help readers create their own "swing for life."

**Slo Mo!** Rick Reilly 2010-05-05 Growing up in a bizarre cave-dwelling cult in Colorado, seven-foot, eight-inch Maurice "Slo-Mo" Finsternick knows nothing about the NBA--that is until the day he's discovered and becomes the hottest sports icon in the country. This uproariously funny satire of pro sports is Rick Reilly at his very best. The bestselling author of the classic Missing Links has delivered again with this dead-on tale of "Slo-Mo" Finsternick, a genius player with a patented thirty-foot hook shot. Eventually, though, Slo-Mo begins to move away from his kind, truthful, polite, and self-effacing ways and gradually learns to behave like a famous athlete. Can the big man's innocence survive the charms of the big show?

**American Triumvirate** James Dodson 2013-02-26 A celebration of three legendary golf champions describes how the professional sport deteriorated into virtual non-existence before the trio revitalized its popularity, dominating American attention and setting records from the 1930s to the 1950s while transforming how the game was played and regarded. By the author of Final Rounds.

**The Golfer's Mind** Dr. Bob Rotella 2012-12-11 Golfers everywhere,



from professionals like Darren Clarke and Padraig Harrington to the humblest amateur on the driving range, are familiar with the sport's 'Rotella Rules', which reinforce the attitude needed to maximize a player's performance. Now, beloved 'Doc' Rotella, author of *GOLF IS NOT A GAME OF PERFECT* and *PUTTING OUT OF YOUR MIND* presents an anytime, anywhere quick reference tool sure to become a vital addition to every golf bag. *THE GOLFER'S MIND* gives players exactly what they want - a quick reference they can carry with them easily to consult any time they need reinforcement from Rotella's guiding principles. In the perfect format for the busy golfer, *THE GOLFER'S MIND* is a concise and convenient guide that will appeal to Rotella's millions of followers and is sure to become a golf classic.

*Loopers* John Dunn 2014-05-13 Describes the author's improbable journey as an Aspen club caddie and his relationships with misfit fellow caddies, an experience that compelled his visits to some of the world's most exclusive and picturesque golf locations.

**Out of the Rough** Steve Williams 2016-03-29 With 150 wins to his name, Steve Williams is one of the most successful caddies of the modern era. From his modest start in freelancing his way around the world's golf courses, he became a man in demand, working with some of the golfing world's best. Greg Norman, Raymond Floyd, Terry Gale, Ian Baker-Finch, and Adam Scott all benefitted from the knowledge, experience, and

honesty for which Williams is known. Williams is perhaps best known, however, for his triumphant thirteen years on the bag of Tiger Woods. Together, Woods and Williams won more than 80 tournaments—with 13 major championships among them. But it wasn't all celebrations. Despite his best efforts, Williams could only watch as Woods fell from the podium, his game in decline—ignorant of the scandal about to make headlines around the world that would nearly ruin Tiger's pro career. In this candid book, Williams tells the stories of golf's elites that you won't hear anywhere else—the highs and lows of their careers, and the critical role of a caddie in both spots. Bold and entertaining, his story offers a rare insider's view of the professional golfing world.

*Are You Kidding Me?* Rocco Mediate 2009-05-18 June 2008's US Open produced one of the most unexpected and dramatic showdowns in golf history. Day after day the invincible Tiger Woods was challenged by Rocco Mediate, a respected journeyman. On Sunday, both ended play tied at par, forcing a playoff. Defying expectations, Mediate played Woods to yet another tie, losing only after forcing a sudden-death showdown. Through it all, Rocco Mediate emerged as one of the most likable, open, and fascinating golfers. In *Are You Kidding Me?*, he tells the full story of these five life-changing days. With John Feinstein, whose insider knowledge of the golf world is unparalleled, Mediate relives one of sport's greatest feats, how one man overcame every obstacle to challenge the game's finest.