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Seán Mannion was once ranked the #1 US light middleweight boxer, but his world title challenge was crushed by future Hall of Famer Mike McCallum. This book tells Mannion's story, including his journey from Ireland to Boston, development as a boxer, struggles with alcoholism, foray into coaching, and present search for purpose outside of the ring.

"Entertaining, insightful, and eminently colorful--the next best thing to being at the fights."--New York Sportscene  
". . . anyone taking a trip through the sport's hardscrabble past couldn't ask for a better guide..."--The Ring  
Known as the "guru" of boxing, Bert Randolph Sugar is one of the most charismatic writers ever to capture the drama of the fight on paper. With a passion for the sport that is rivaled only by his talent for writing about it, Bert Sugar is also regarded as the "unofficial historian" of boxing. With his trademark fedora and always-handly cigar, Sugar is a guaranteed ringside presence. His colorful personality and flamboyant mannerisms are unforgettable whether you are meeting him in person or through his writing. Bert Sugar on Boxing brings out his best. Here's but a small sampling of what awaits readers: Many a troubled and troublesome youngster has embraced "The Sweet Science" as a way out, a social staircase out of the mean streets that formed his limited world, fighting his way, bloody hand over bloody hand, up the ladder of acceptance the only way he knows: with his fists. You

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see, I was raised in a society, many moons ago, which held to two general axioms: That men were stronger; and women, smarter. And if women are so damned smart, why are they interested in having their features rearranged and acquiring cauliflower ears so pronounced they can be covered with hollandaise sauce? I will not be dissuaded from attacking those with souls like the undersides of flat rocks any more than ice can be welded or iron melted. There is no shaking-knee factor here. In this unflinching autobiography, boxing legend Leonard faces his single greatest competitor: himself. With honesty, humor, and inspiring perspective, Leonard comes to terms with triumph, struggle, strength, courage, and resilience.

Brandon Jeffery's summer started out with a bang—as in, a friend crashed his car and now he has to work two jobs to pay it off. It's at Fascination Street Records that he's introduced to a beautiful but quiet girl named Marvel. She's new to Hidden Cove and looking for a summer job, so Brandon secretly strikes a deal with their boss to work for free so she can be hired. When a classmate is found murdered, however, their summer takes a turn for the mysterious. Brandon's friend Devon is sure he knows just who's to blame: the creepy recluse of the town quarry. But the police have few leads, and Brandon has the sneaking suspicion he's being watched. That's not what's in the forefront of on his mind, though. More than trying to pay off his car to his unemployed, alcoholic father and protecting Seth Belcher from the school bullies, he's determined to date Marvel. He doesn't understand why they seem so close and she refuses to

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date him, but as the mystery behind her tragic past begins to unravel, Marvel finally confesses her reason: God has revealed she's destined to die saving others—and it's going to be soon.

This two-volume set features 400 articles on African-Americans in sports, including biographical entries as well as entries on events, tournaments, leagues, clubs, films, and associations. The entries cover all professional, amateur, and college sports such as baseball, tennis, and golf.

Roberto Duran, Marvelous Marvin Hagler, Sugar Ray Leonard, and Thomas "Hit Man" Hearn's all formed the pantheon of boxing greats during the late 1970s and early 1980s—before the pay-per-view model, when prize fights were telecast on network television and still captured the nation's attention. Championship bouts during this era were replete with revenge and fury, often pitting one of these storied fighters against another. From training camps to locker rooms, author George Kimball was there to cover every body shot, uppercut, and TKO. Inside stories full of drama, sacrifice, fear, and pain make up this treasury of boxing tales brought to life by one of the sport's greatest writers.

Marvelous Marvin Hagler is a sporting legend. Often called the greatest middleweight boxer of all time, he held the world title for 12 defenses, including bouts with Sugar Ray Leonard, Thomas Hearn's, and Roberto Duran, which entered fistic folklore. From

his wild early fights in the boxing wilderness of Brockton, Massachusetts, Brian and Damian Hughes trace the blazing trail of Hagler's career: the controversial defeats subsequently avenged, a riot-scarred title win in London, and his unification of the middleweight crown. Hagler became a huge favorite, taking on all comers while never taking a step back. And so to The Ring magazine's "greatest round of all time" against Hearn's, his ferocious battle with Duran, and the still-controversial loss to his nemesis Leonard. Marvelous tells the story of Hagler's extraordinary life for the first time, separating truth from myth to get right to the heart of a complex and charismatic man.

ROBERTO DURAN is a sporting legend. Often called the greatest boxer of all time, he held world titles at four different weights and is the only professional in history to have fought in five different decades. His bouts with fellow greats like Sugar Ray Leonard, Thomas Hearn's and Marvin Hagler have gone down in fistic folklore and his pro record of 104 wins, 69 by KO, in 120 fights puts him in an elite group of fighters. They called him Manos de Piedra: "Hands of Stone". American journalist Christian Guidice has written the first – and definitive – story of Duran's extraordinary life both in and out of the ring. He has interviewed the fighter himself, his family and closest friends and scores of his opponents to separate truth from myth and get to the heart of one

of the most intriguing sports stars of modern times. Duran was born in utter poverty in the Panama Canal Zone, the illegitimate son of a serving US soldier and a local girl. He grew up in the streets, fighting to survive. His talent with his fists was soon apparent, and on one fabled occasion he even knocked down a horse with a single punch for a bet. He grew into a fighter's fighter, and his willingness to take on anyone, anywhere, anytime and never take a step back made him a huge favorite. From his wild early bouts to his stunning boxing debut in New York, Giudice traces the blazing trail of his career: the controversial title win over Scot Ken Buchanan; his unification of the lightweight crown against great rival Esteban DeJesus; his glorious defeat of Ray Leonard and the subsequent debacle of the No Más encounter; his ferocious comeback and redemption, and the long, eventful twilight of his matchless career. Here also are both the public and private sides of Duran: his volatility, his kindness and reckless generosity, his partying, his links with the notorious regime of General Noriega, and above all his chilling love of battle.

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The team at [www.historyofwrestling.info](http://www.historyofwrestling.info) are back with the fifth in their series documenting every episode of WWF Monday Night Raw, year by year. We cover every angle, segment and match in detail, and offer plenty of thoughts and facts along the way. The book is written and presented in the usual HOW style, with various awards, match lists and a host of star ratings for fans to debate at will. New this time are additional awards, a Hall of Shame covering the bouts to avoid, some of the better promos fully transcribed and a bonus additional ""Shotgun Files"" book contained within! It is also easily the biggest Raw Files yet, coming in at approximately 170,000 words! Learn about one of the most tumultuous years in WWF history, with the formation of the Hart Foundation; the fallout from the Montreal Screwjob; the further rise of Steve Austin and The Rock; surprise appearances and returns; an invasion from ECW; legendary promos and angles and so much more!

Punchlines is the best of Bert Sugar's writings, a collection of his lifelong art of covering some of the most colorful and often controversial figures in the world of boxing, from Muhammad Ali to Sonny Liston, Mike Tyson, and Sugar Ray Leonard, among many others.

Fistic combat represents the greatest human drama



in all of sport. Roman gladiators thrilled citizens and emperors alike when they entered the octagon to face an intense, life-threatening experience. Boxing, the sport of kings, also has its roots in the ancient civilizations of Greece and Rome. Banned in 500 A.D. by the Emperor Theodoric, it resurfaced twelve centuries later in England. John Milton praised it as a noble art for building character in young men, and sports writer A.J. Leibling dubbed it the Sweet Science. Many of its major protagonists - men such as Joe Louis, Rocky Marciano and Muhammad Ali - have become transcendent, near-mythic heroes. But boxing is not the only combat sport, and mixed martial arts, in all their ferocious beauty, represent the fastest growing sports genre in the world. Ultimate Fighting Championships (UFC) has joined boxing in paying seven figures to some of its champions, and draws millions in its pay-per-view events. This book details leading figures in boxing, sumo wrestling, kickboxing, Greco-Roman wrestling, and mixed martial arts (including organizations such as Ultimate Fighting, PRIDE, K-1, Total Combat, and SportFighting). Over 150 entries cover champions, contenders, and other famous combatants from all over the world, as well as legendary promoters, managers, trainers, and events. Also included in this encyclopedia are sidebars on controversies, highlights, brief bios, and other noteworthy events, along with a general timeline. .

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This book presents a sweeping view of boxing in the United States and the influence of the sport on American culture. • Includes information from the early "bare knuckles" era of boxing up to modern-day stars and matchups, presenting the history of boxing in a chronological fashion

Hangin' Tough is a collection of essays and short stories that celebrate boxing. Jawed Akrim, a lifelong scholar and fan of the noble sport, answers an individual question with each essay or story. The question-and-answer format engages readers and encompass a variety of topics, such as: • Was there ever someone more intimidating than Mike Tyson? • Were people scared to fight Muhammad Ali? • Has a boxer ever been so nervous that they didn't leave the dressing room? • Who would win in a match between Sonny Liston and Rocky Balboa? • What was the most unrealistic thing that happened in the Rocky movies? Filled with colorful personalities such as boxers Muhammad Ali, Canelo Alvarez, Sonny Banks, Trevor Berbick, David Bey, Joe Louis, and many others, the book also highlights trainers and other sports figures with a connection to the ring. Prepare to be shocked, amazed, and even horrified as you take a walk on the wilder side of boxing history.

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Thomas Hearn ranks as one of the greatest and

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most exciting fighters of all-time. From his explosion onto the pro boxing scene with seventeen straight knockouts, he struck fear into opponents and awe into spectators. He went on to feature in some of the most thrilling bouts ever and became the first champion to win six titles at different weights. He will forever be known by his chilling nickname: the "Hit Man". Co-written by Brian Hughes, Britain's leading boxing trainer, Hit Man delves inside this complex, charismatic character to present a compelling portrait of a modern sports legend. Reviews 'Compelling.' -- DAILY STAR 'One of the best biographies of a professional fighter since 'Unforgiveable Blackness'. A must read for all boxing fans.' -- SADDOBOXING.COM 'A fine tribute to a great, great fighter.' -- DUBLIN EVENING HERALD 'The Hit Man unleashed.' -- THE RING 'An engrossing book on a thrilling fighter.' -- BOXING MONTHLY

Criticizes modern professional basketball, arguing it is threatened by scandals, and suggests top players have been corrupted by their huge salaries

They called him “Manos de Piedra”—Hands of Stone—and he was one of the greatest boxers of all time. Now Roberto Durán tells his unbelievable story: from the streets of Panama to being crowned one of the “Four Kings,” along with Hearn, Leonard, and Hagler, as he blazed a trail through the Golden Age of Boxing. Born into abject poverty, barely able to read or write, Durán quickly realized that his fists could both protect him on the streets and put food on the table. His reputation

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was established on the day when, for a bet, he knocked down a horse with a single punch. At the age of twenty-one, he claimed his first world title, against Ken Buchanan at Madison Square Garden. The legend of Manos de Piedra was born, but his most glorious moment was yet to come. In 1980, Durán delivered one of the greatest upsets in boxing history by defeating the previously unbeatable Sugar Ray Leonard. But greater fame brought greater distractions, and Durán's endless partying took its toll before the two superstars faced each other again. Here, for the first time ever, Durán confronts the debacle of the rematch that entered sporting folklore, and the truth behind the moment he was heard to utter the infamous words "No más"—No more. Durán's explosive performances in the ring were matched only by the volatility of his life outside it. He lurched from living like royalty to bankruptcy and, after being written off as a boxing also-ran, made a bloody, legendary comeback that gave his career the ultimate ending, and finally brought redemption. He came from nothing, and changed the world. *I Am Durán* is the autobiography of one of boxing's most iconic legends. In *The Winning Mindset*, Professor Damian Hughes, the acclaimed author of *Liquid Thinking* and *How to Think Like Sir Alex Ferguson*, draws on both his lifetime experience and academic background within sport, organization and change psychology to reveal the best ways to create a winning mindset in both personal and professional life. Having worked with some of the top teams in the UK, and watched some of the best coaches in the country at work, Hughes distils the five key principles that separate the best coaches and teams from the rest: Simplicity; Tripwires; Emotions; Practical; Stories: STEPS. The role of a sports-team leader is fascinating, complex and tough. Fantasy football leagues may convince us that success is all about buying players and selecting a team. In reality, it is about creating winning

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environments –recruiting, developing and nurturing talent, effectively communicating a shared vision with a diverse collection of individuals, delivering on enormous expectations from a range of stakeholders, overcoming significant challenges, handling pressure and staying focused throughout: a set of challenges familiar to leaders in all sectors.

When Jimmy Murphy arrived at Old Trafford in 1946 he was greeted by the ruins of what had once been one of the wonders of pre-war Manchester. The stadium was a bombed-out wreck while the players trained on a patch of dangerous gravel and the club reeled from the embarrassment of playing their 'home' games at Maine Road. By the time Murphy packed his bags and left Old Trafford for the last time, Manchester United were world-famous: they had been conquered by and then conquered Europe, raised the profile of English league football to a degree unimaginable before the war and touched the hearts of millions in the process. Alongside Matt Busby, the Welshman with an Irish name had made an English club the most famous name in the world. Matt Busby called Jimmy Murphy "my first signing and, my most important". Where Matt was the diplomatic frontman and manager, Jimmy was the firebrand who instilled the passion in Manchester United. It is true to say that United would not be the club they are today without Jimmy Murphy; his passion and determination made Busby's vision a reality.

Nevertheless his is a tale untold -- the true story of his vital role in the birth of Manchester United is long overdue for examination and is vital to understanding the romance surrounding the club.

The Historical Dictionary of Boxing focuses on the as champions of boxing along with the lesser-known boxers who helped shape this sport. More of these boxers come from the United States but there are others from Europe, Asia and

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Latin America, and there are also entries on the major boxing countries as well. Plus entries on the rules, on the organizations, and on the technical terminology and jargon you have to know just to follow the bouts. The introduction provides a broad view of boxing's history while the chronology traces events from 688 B.C. to 2012 A.D. Not all that much has been written on boxing that is not ephemeral, but much of that literature can be found in the bibliography. This book is an excellent access point for students, researchers, and anyone wanting to know more about the sport of boxing.

Randy Gordon has spent over 40 years in the world of professional boxing, as a broadcaster, ring announcer, New York State's athletic commissioner, editor of *TheRing* magazine, and host of SiriusXM Radio's *At the Fights*. No one else has ever seen the sport from so many different angles and from such lofty seats. In *Glove Affair: My Lifelong Journey in the World of Professional Boxing*, Gordon recounts never-before-heard stories of the boxing industry and offers insights into some of its most famous figures, including Hall-of-Famers Bert Sugar, Alexis Arguello, Bob Arum, and Mike Tyson. With the perspective only an insider can offer, Gordon also reflects on his times with Muhammad Ali—including the champ's mind-dazzling magic tricks and his thoughts on the "Thrilla' in Manila"—and provides a glimpse into the boxing commissioner's office with stories of a wild and fiery hearing and a commission employee's betrayal of the agency. From his days as a wheelchair bound, severely injured boy in 1959 to the most-widely-listened-to boxing talk show host on the radio, Gordon recalls his life story with passion, humor, and love. More than just another book on the Sweet Science, *Glove Affair* is a journey through the world of boxing through the eyes of a man who has seen it all.

Real and imagined events and characters are expertly woven

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together in this political thriller about international power struggles, terrorism, and undercover agents. Building up to the mysterious Chinook helicopter crash at Mull of Kintyre in 1994, which killed 25 top British intelligence officials, the novel introduces Martin Carter, a Vietnam veteran and U.S. Special Forces agent who is recruiting for a dangerous mission in Europe. After a murder in Paris, a gun battle near Oxford Street, and a shattering explosion in a top-secret government chamber inside the Channel Tunnel, Martin finds out why he's really been sent to Europe—and that it's too late to back out. As powerful G7 countries plot to eliminate the IRA, a second deadly scheme is being plotted against Britain. EBONY is the flagship magazine of Johnson Publishing. Founded in 1945 by John H. Johnson, it still maintains the highest global circulation of any African American-focused magazine.

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Greatest Ever Boxing Workouts will KO all boxing/combat sport enthusiasts. Featuring a classic coterie of international boxing legends, this superb anthology is illustrated throughout by some of the best photos of them at work in the ring or training in the gym. Our celebrated present-day fighters and former champions range from the instantly recognisable Manny Pacquiao, Floyd Mayweather Jnr, Mike Tyson, Thomas Hearn and Roberto Duran to such respected international figures as Danny Williams and Vitali Klitschko. Incorporating career biographies for every fighter, the reader is introduced to the fitness and training regimes of some of the world's most powerful men. Culled from the author's original research and interviews, the greatest ever champion pugilists grant us a fly-on-the-wall look at their 'Typical Day' and their personal workout regimes. Not just a boxing fan's album but a fitness guide for those looking for a seriously effective workout. Greatest Ever Boxing Workouts grants the reader vital knowledge from the Olympian gods of pugilism. This book neither argues for or against the continuation of boxing, but lays out the literature and the body of scientific knowledge that are necessary to provide a meaningful background for the ensuing debate. It provides a comprehensive resource for those who are involved in regulating boxing and those who participate directly, as well as for the medical and scientific communities. Includes carefully quoted case histories and research as well as an extensive body of medical literature on boxing injuries to demonstrate that brain damage is a natural consequence of boxing. \* Presents in-depth analysis of the phenomenon of "punch drunkenness" \* Includes detailed case histories of the clinical and pathomorphological findings uncovered by current



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medical research \* Extensively reviews medical literature  
In this unflinching and inspiring autobiography, the boxing legend faces his single greatest competitor: himself. Sugar Ray Leonard's brutally honest and uplifting memoir reveals in intimate detail for the first time the complex man behind the boxer. The Olympic hero, multichampionship winner, and beloved athlete waged his own personal battle with depression, rage, addiction, and greed. Coming from a tumultuous, impoverished household and a dangerous neighborhood on the outskirts of Washington, D.C., in the 1970s, Sugar Ray Leonard rose swiftly and skillfully through the ranks of amateur boxing-and eventually went on to win a gold medal in the 1976 Olympics. With an extremely ill father and no endorsement deals, Leonard decided to go pro. The Big Fight takes readers behind the scenes of a notoriously corrupt sport and chronicles the evolution of a champion, as Leonard prepares for the greatest fights of his life-against Marvin Hagler, Roberto Duran, Tommy Hearn's, and Wilfred Benitez. At the same time Leonard fearlessly reveals his own contradictions and compulsions, his infidelity, and alcohol and cocaine abuse. With honesty, humor, and hard-won perspective, Leonard comes to terms with both triumph and struggle-and presents a gripping portrait of remarkable strength, courage, and resilience, both in and out of the ring.

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