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## 20-Game Losers HarperCollins

This monumental and poignant book tells the forgotten story of black star-quality athletes excluded from professional baseball because of the big league's unofficial boundary, the color line. Reconstructing the old Negro Leagues from contemporary sports publications, accounts of games in the black press, and through interviews with men who actually played the game, author Robert Peterson brings to life the fascinating period that stretched from shortly after the Civil War to Jackie Robinson's debut with the Brooklyn Dodgers in 1947. This reprint of the 1970 edition includes a new preface, yearly Negro League standings and an all-time register of players and officials. A treasure trove of baseball information and lore. Photos.

Touching Base Syracuse University Press

**NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER** For the first time ever, an international coalition of leading researchers, scientists and policymakers has come together to offer

a set of realistic and bold solutions to climate change. All of the techniques described here - some well-known, some you may have never heard of - are economically viable, and communities throughout the world are already enacting them. From revolutionizing how we produce and consume food to educating girls in lower-income countries, these are all solutions which, if deployed collectively on a global scale over the next thirty years, could not just slow the earth's warming, but reach drawdown: the point when greenhouse gasses in the atmosphere peak and begin to decline. So what are we waiting for?

**The Science of Baseball** Oxford University Press

Where does that endless supply of facts, figures, statistics and trivia that broadcasters spout actually come from? SABR takes the inside story of the development of baseball research, its resources, techniques and fascinating anecdotes by the folks who dig it

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**The Age of Ruth and Landis** U of Nebraska Press

A lively illustrated introduction to the Negro League equivalent of the All-Star Game discusses the history of the games, as well as the colorful cast of promoters, gamblers, and hucksters who made it happen. Original.

The First 20 Hours U of Nebraska Press  
You have to be a very good pitcher to lose 20 games in one season. Why would a manager keep putting you out there to pitch, time after time, if you didn't have a chance to win the game? More than 25 percent of the pitchers in the National Baseball Hall of Fame are pitchers who lost 20 or more games in a single season. One of them even lost 20 or more games

for 10 years in a row! The names in this book are often well-known names. Cy Young lost more than 20 games in three different seasons. Other 20-game losers were Steve Carlton, Walter Johnson, Phil Niekro, Robin Roberts, and Red Ruffing, to name a few. We've included here every one of the 23 Hall of Famers who are 20-game losers, as well as some lesser-known names, over sixty biographies in all. Mike Maroth and Brian Kingman, the two most recent pitchers to lose 20 games, are here. So is Jack Nabors thanks to his 1-20 season. You will find Guy Hecker, whose record of 52-20 constituted the best winning percentage of any 20-game loser. And we feature one woebegone pitching staff which had four 20-game losers in the same season. By our count 499 major-league pitchers have had seasons in which they lost 20 or more

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games. Only two of them had ERAs over 6.00. This take on pitching records offers plenty of quirks to explore. 53 members of SABR combined their efforts to create this truly fascinating book. Contents:

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course he had the relatively small baseball in mind, because its literature is formidable--vast and varied, instructive, often wildly entertaining, and occasionally brilliant. From this bewildering array of baseball books, Ron Kaplan has chosen 501 of the best, making it easier for fans to find just the books to suit them (or to know what they're missing). From biography, history, fiction, and instruction to books about ballparks, business, and rules, anyone who loves to read about baseball will find in this book a companionable guide, far more fun than a reference work has any right to be. 501 Baseball Books Fans Must Read Before They Die John Wiley & Sons As scholarly interest in baseball has increased in recent years, so too has the use of baseball both as subject and as teaching method in college courses. In addition to lecturing on baseball history, professors are more frequently using baseball as a pedagogical tool to teach other disciplines. Baseball's interdisciplinary appeal is evident in the myriad ways that diverse college faculty have made use of it in the classroom. In this collection of essays, professors from different disciplines explain how they have used baseball in higher education. Organized by academic field, essays offer insight into how baseball can help teach key issues in archival research, business, cultural studies, education, experiential learning, film, American

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history, labor relations, law, literature, Native American studies, philosophy, public speaking, race studies and social history.

Only the Ball Was White University of Illinois Press

Abstracts of papers presented at the Association's convention.

Playing America's Game Penguin

Forget the 10,000 hour rule— what if it ' s possible to learn the basics of any new skill in 20 hours or less?

Take a moment to consider how many things you want to learn to do. What ' s on your list? What ' s holding you back from getting started? Are you worried about the time and effort it takes to acquire new skills—time you don ' t have and

effort you can ' t spare? Research suggests it takes 10,000 hours to develop a new skill. In this nonstop world when will you ever find that much time and energy? To make matters worse, the early hours of practicing something new are always the most frustrating. That ' s why it ' s difficult to learn how to speak a new language, play an instrument, hit a golf ball, or shoot great photos. It ' s so much easier to watch TV or surf the web . . . In *The First 20 Hours*, Josh Kaufman offers a systematic approach to rapid skill acquisition— how to learn any new skill as quickly as possible. His method shows you how to

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deconstruct complex skills, maximize productive practice, and remove common learning barriers. By completing just 20 hours of focused, deliberate practice you 'll go from knowing absolutely nothing to performing noticeably well. Kaufman personally field-tested the methods in this book. You 'll have a front row seat as he develops a personal yoga practice, writes his own web-based computer programs, teaches himself to touch type on a nonstandard keyboard, explores the oldest and most complex board game in history, picks up the ukulele, and learns how to windsurf. Here are a few of the simple

techniques he teaches: Define your target performance level: Figure out what your desired level of skill looks like, what you 're trying to achieve, and what you 'll be able to do when you 're done. The more specific, the better. Deconstruct the skill: Most of the things we think of as skills are actually bundles of smaller subskills. If you break down the subcomponents, it 's easier to figure out which ones are most important and practice those first. Eliminate barriers to practice: Removing common distractions and unnecessary effort makes it much easier to sit down and focus on deliberate practice. Create fast



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feedback loops: Getting accurate, real-time information about how well you 're performing during practice makes it much easier to improve. Whether you want to paint a portrait, launch a start-up, fly an airplane, or juggle flaming chain-saws, *The First 20 Hours* will help you pick up the basics of any skill in record time . . . and have more fun along the way.

Society of American Baseball Research Springer

From blank page to final draft, this is your straightforward guide to research papers You're sitting at your desk in a classroom or in an airless cubicle, wondering how

many minutes are left in a seemingly endless day, when suddenly your teacher or supervisor lowers the boom: She wants a research paper, complete with footnotes and a list of sources. She wants accuracy, originality, and good grammar. And – gasp! – she wants ten pages! You may be 16 years old or 60 years old, but your reaction is the same: Help! Take heart. A research paper may seem daunting, but it's a far-from-impossible project to accomplish. Turning research into writing is actually quite easy, as long as you follow a few proven techniques. And that's where *Research Papers For Dummies*

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steps in to help. In this easy-to-understand guide, you find out how to search for information using both traditional printed sources and the electronic treasure troves of the Internet. You also discover how to take all those bits of information, discarding the irrelevant ones, and put them into a form that illustrates your point with clarity and originality. Here's just a sampling of the topics you'll find in *Research Papers For Dummies*: Types of research papers, from business reports to dissertations The basic ingredients of a paper: Introduction, body, conclusion, footnotes, and bibliography Note-taking methods

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actually save you time in the long run, because it gives you the easiest, fastest, and most successful methods for completing your paper.

Hits and Misses in the Baseball Draft SIU Press

When we think of baseball, we think of sunny days and leisurely outings at the ballpark--rarely do thoughts of death come to mind. Yet during the game's history, hundreds of players, coaches and spectators have died while playing or watching the National Pastime. In its second edition, this ground-breaking study provides the known details for 150 years of game-related deaths, identifies contributing factors and discusses resulting changes to game rules, protective equipment, crowd control and stadium structures and grounds. Topics

covered include pitched and batted-ball fatalities, weather and field condition accidents, structural failures, fatalities from violent or risky behavior and deaths from natural causes.

Outsider Baseball U of Nebraska Press  
The revised and expanded edition of *Touching Base* examines the myths, realities, symbols, and rituals of America's national pastime. Steven Riess details the relationships among urban politics, communities, and baseball while exploring how Progressive Era sensibilities shaped debates over issues like Sunday games, ballpark construction, and promotion of the games. Focusing on Atlanta, New York, and Chicago, Riess looks at all the participants--from spectators to owners to players--in

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analyzing how baseball both influenced and mirrored broader society.

Black Baseball Entrepreneurs,

1902-1931 Chicago Review Press

The Baseball Research Journal is the flagship research publication of

the Society for American Baseball Research. Founded in 1971, SABR

now has over 6,000 members

investigating every aspect of the sport, from statistical analysis to

biographical research, to

psychology, economics, physics,

biomechanics, game theory, and

more. In this issue: Leaving a Mark

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International League Pennant Race

by Sam Zygnier and Steve Smith

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Double No-Hit Pitcher by Peter C. Bjarkman  
Defiance College 's Historic 1961 Postseason by Roger J. Hawks  
Analytical Looks at the Game We Love The Twisting Model and Ted Williams ' s Science of Hitting by Takeyuki Inohiza  
The Best Shortened-Season Hitting Performance in Major League History by David Nemecek  
Was There a Seven Way Game? Seven Ways of Reaching First Base by Paul Hertz  
The Three, or Was it Two, .400 Hitters of 1922 by Brian Marshall  
What Do Your Fans Want?: Attendance Correlations with Performance, Ticket Prices, and Payroll Factors by Ben Langhorst

Do Fans Prefer Homegrown Players? An Analysis of MLB Attendance, 1976 – 2012 by Russell Ormiston  
2014 Chadwick Honorees Mark Armour by Rob Neyer  
Ernie Lanigan by Lyle Spatz  
Marc Okkonen by Dan Levitt  
Cory Schwartz by Christina Kahrl  
John C. Tattersall by John Thorn  
A Game of Inches Houghton Mifflin Harcourt P  
Analyzing Baseball Data with R Second Edition introduces R to sabermetricians, baseball enthusiasts, and students interested in exploring the richness of baseball data. It equips you with the necessary skills and software tools to perform all the analysis steps, from importing the data to transforming them

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into an appropriate format to visualizing the data via graphs to performing a statistical analysis. The authors first present an overview of publicly available baseball datasets and a gentle introduction to the type of data structures and exploratory and data management capabilities of R. They also cover the ggplot2 graphics functions and employ a tidyverse-friendly workflow throughout. Much of the book illustrates the use of R through popular sabermetrics topics, including the Pythagorean formula, runs expectancy, catcher framing, career trajectories, simulation of games and seasons, patterns of streaky behavior of players, and launch angles and exit velocities. All the datasets and R code used in the text are available online. New to the second edition are a systematic adoption of the tidyverse and

incorporation of Statcast player tracking data (made available by Baseball Savant). All code from the first edition has been revised according to the principles of the tidyverse. Tidyverse packages, including dplyr, ggplot2, tidyr, purrr, and broom are emphasized throughout the book. Two entirely new chapters are made possible by the availability of Statcast data: one explores the notion of catcher framing ability, and the other uses launch angle and exit velocity to estimate the probability of a home run. Through the book 's various examples, you will learn about modern sabermetrics and how to conduct your own baseball analyses. Max Marchi is a Baseball Analytics Analyst for the Cleveland Indians. He was a regular contributor to The Hardball Times and Baseball Prospectus websites and previously consulted for other MLB clubs.

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Nikkei Baseball McFarland

First-rate scholarship combined with extremely readable and interesting prose, this title should still retain its crown as the very best one-volume history of Baseball available.

Baseball in the Classroom

McFarland

Think you know how the game of baseball began? Think again. Forget Abner Doubleday and Cooperstown. Forget Alexander Joy Cartwright and the New York Knickerbockers. Instead, meet Daniel Lucius Adams, William Rufus Wheaton, and Louis Fenn Wadsworth, each of whom has a stronger claim to baseball paternity than Doubleday or Cartwright. But did baseball even have a father—or did it just evolve from other bat-and-ball games? John Thorn, baseball's preeminent historian, examines the creation story of the game and finds it all to be a gigantic lie, not only the Doubleday legend, so long

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recognized with a wink and a nudge. From its earliest days baseball was a vehicle for gambling (much like cricket, a far more popular game in early America), a proxy form of class warfare, infused with racism as was the larger society, invigorated if ultimately corrupted by gamblers, hustlers, and shady entrepreneurs. Thorn traces the rise of the New York version of the game over other variations popular in Massachusetts and Philadelphia. He shows how the sport 's increasing popularity in the early decades of the nineteenth century mirrored the migration of young men from farms and small towns to

cities, especially New York. And he charts the rise of secret professionalism and the origin of the notorious “ reserve clause, ” essential innovations for gamblers and capitalists. No matter how much you know about the history of baseball, you will find something new in every chapter. Thorn also introduces us to a host of early baseball stars who helped to drive the tremendous popularity and growth of the game in the post – Civil War era: Jim Creighton, perhaps the first true professional player; Candy Cummings, the pitcher who claimed to have invented the curveball; Albert Spalding, the ballplayer who



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would grow rich from the game and shape its creation myth; Hall of Fame brothers George and Harry Wright; Cap Anson, the first man to record three thousand hits and a virulent racist; and many others. Add bluff, bluster, and bravado, and toss in an illicit romance, an unknown son, a lost ball club, an epidemic scare, and you have a baseball detective story like none ever written. Thorn shows how a small religious cult became instrumental in the commission that was established to determine the origins of the game and why the selection of Abner Doubleday as baseball ' s father was as strangely

logical as it was patently absurd. Entertaining from the first page to the last, *Baseball in the Garden of Eden* is a tale of good and evil, and the snake proves the most interesting character. It is full of heroes, scoundrels, and dupes; it contains more scandal by far than the 1919 Black Sox World Series fix. More than a history of the game, *Baseball in the Garden of Eden* tells the story of nineteenth-century America, a land of opportunity and limitation, of glory and greed—all present in the wondrous alloy that is our nation and its pastime. *Analyzing Baseball Data with R*, Second Edition Penguin UK

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Presents highlights and timelines of 1900-2005 American and National League seasons, interspersed with feature profiles of select baseball players. The 2006 "highlights" consist of a report on the new World Baseball Classic, thirty-nine games played in three countries from March 3 - 20, 2006. Includes lists of many baseball statistics, such as World series and all-time leaders records.

### The Baseball Research Journal

University of Illinois Press

This book describes the dynamic collisions between baseballs, softballs, and bats, and the intricate modeling of these interactions, using only Newton's basic principles and the conservation laws of physics. Veteran baseball science

author Terry Bahill explains models for the speed and spin of balls and bats and equations for bat-ball collisions at a level accessible to high school and undergraduate physics students, engineering students, and, most importantly, students of the science of baseball. Unlike other, more technical accounts of these phenomena that exhibit similar rigor, the models presented in this volume use only basic physical principles to describe simple collision configurations. Elucidating the most important factors for understanding bat performance—bat weight, moment of inertia, the coefficient of restitution,

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and characteristics of humans swinging the bats, Dr. Bahill also explains physical aspects of the ideal bat and the sweet spot. • Explains how to select or design an optimal baseball or softball bat and create models for bat-ball collisions using only fundamental principles of mechanics from high school physics;

- Describes the results of the collision between baseball and bat using basic mathematics such as equations for the speed of the ball after the collision, bat speed after the collision, and bat rotation after the collision;
- Accessible to high school and undergraduate students as well as non-technical aficionados

of the science of baseball. “ Dr. Bahill ’ s book is the perfect tool for teaching how to solve some of baseball ’ s basic science problems. Using only simple Newtonian principles and the conservation laws, Dr. Bahill explains how to model bat-ball collisions. Also, he derives equations governing the flight of the ball, and proceeds to show what factors affect air density and how this density affects the ball ’ s flight. And as a unique addition to his fine book, he provides advice for selecting the optimal bat—a surprising bonus! ”

Dave Baldwin, PhD Major League pitcher, 1966-1973, lifetime Major

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League ERA, 3.08 “ If I were the General Manger of a baseball team, I would tell my people to write a ten-page paper describing what this book contains that could improve our performance. I think the book provides the foundation for change.”

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Baseball Legend Ted Williams, in a 1984 letter to the author

Black Baseball's National Showcase McFarland

This augmented, new edition adds discussion of the bat ' s vertical sweetness gradient, eye-hand cross-dominance,

models for the swing of a bat, and accuracy of simulations. The book retains its description of dynamic collisions between baseballs, softballs, and bats, and the intricate modeling of these interactions, using only basic math and physical principles. Veteran baseball science author Terry Bahill explains models for the speed and spin of balls and bats and calculations for bat-ball collisions at a level accessible to most students of the science of baseball. Demystifying the most important factors for understanding bat performance—bat weight, moment of inertia, the coefficient of restitution, and characteristics of humans swinging the bats—Dr. Bahill also explains physical aspects of the optimal bat and the sweet spot. Praise for the First Edition “ Dr. Bahill ' s book is the perfect tool for teaching how to solve some of baseball ' s

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your findings. ” Baseball Legend Ted Williams, in a 1984 letter to the author [CDC Injury Research Agenda](#) :. University of Pennsylvania Press A fascinating and charming encyclopedic collection of baseball firsts, describing how the innovations in the game—in rules, equipment, styles of play, strategies, etc.—occurred and developed from its origins to the present day. The book relies heavily on quotations from contemporary sources.