

# EASY READER SPORTS STORIES



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**The following titles can be found in the Easy Readers Section:**

Cristaldi, K.

### **Baseball Ballerina**

A baseball-loving girl worries that the ballet class her mother forces her to take will ruin her reputation with the other members of her baseball team.

Doudna, K.

### **When Can You Play Again?**

Uses simple sentences, photographs, and a brief story to introduce six different words: again, had, his, me, when, your.

Foster, K.

### **Let's Play Ball**

Finding a lost baseball is the only thing standing in the way of a perfect ball-playing day.

Gantos, J.

### **Three Strikes for Rotten Ralph**

When Rotten Ralph, the cat, fails to win a spot on a baseball team with his friend, he becomes the "cat boy" instead, dreaming of proving himself the superstar he imagines himself to be.

Giff, P.

### **Ronald Morgan Goes to Bat**

Although he can't hit or catch, Ronald Morgan loves to play baseball.

Grindley, S.

### **Poppy and Max and the Big Wave**

Poppy and Max are at the beach. Poppy can't wait to surf the big waves. Max isn't so sure. He thinks he will be much safer, chasing crabs on the sand. But will he?

Herman, G.

### **Double-Header**

Bob and Rob Headley, a two-headed monster, loves doing everything together, especially playing catcher on a team in the Little Monster League.

Hillert, M.

### **It's a Good Game, Dear Dragon**

A boy and his pet dragon play a game of soccer with friends and learn about sportsmanship.

Hooks, W.                      **Mr. Baseball**  
A Little Leaguer suffers the enthusiastic activities of his baseball-loving five-year-old brother.

Kessler, L.                      **Kick, Pass, and Run**  
After observing a boy's football game, a group of animals organizes its own teams and game.

Kessler, L.                      **Old Turtle's Soccer Team**  
Under Old Turtle's guidance, the animals learn how to play soccer and the meaning of good sportsmanship.

Klingel, C.                      **In-Line Skating**  
Simple text describes in-line skating, discussing where and how to do it, what the skates look like, and how to stay safe.

Maccarone, G.                      **The Gym Day Winner**  
During gym at school, Sam always comes in last, but a great basketball shot turns him into the hero of the day.

Marzollo, J.                      **Hockey Hero**  
When Hal moves to a new town where he is no longer the star hockey player, he learns that scoring goals is not the only way to be a star.

Mayer, M.                      **Field Day**  
Although Little Critter does not win any games at the field day at school, his friends cheer for him anyway.

Mayer, M.                      **Skating Day**  
Little Critter goes ice skating with his friends and family. Includes word list, activities, and reading comprehension questions.

McKerley, J.                      **Rules of the Net**  
Will Carlos make the right call during his volleyball name?

Meister, C.                      **Buzz Beaker and the Speed Secret**  
Buzz invents a special paint that makes his skis go super fast and tests it during a race.

O'Connor, J.                      **Kate Skates**  
When Kate gets new, big kids' ice skates and gives her old ones to her little sister, she is surprised that the new ones are much harder to use.

Schulz, C.                      **It's a Home Run, Charlie Brown!**  
Charlie Brown is the manager of the losingest baseball team in Little League.

Schulz, C.                      **Kick the Football, Charlie Brown!**  
Charlie Brown continues to try to kick the football and Lucy continues to pull it away to make him fall down.

Shaskan, T.                      **Fair Game**  
There's a new kid on the basketball court who makes everyone laugh by making up funny nicknames. But when he starts playing unfairly, will the kids stop playing with him?

We                      **Baseball Fever**  
Facing pages have text for adults on the left, and text for young readers on the right.

White, D.                      **Ballerina Dreams**  
Diana White recounts how her dream of becoming a ballerina came true from her first dance class at age four to her work with the New York City Ballet. 5/12

