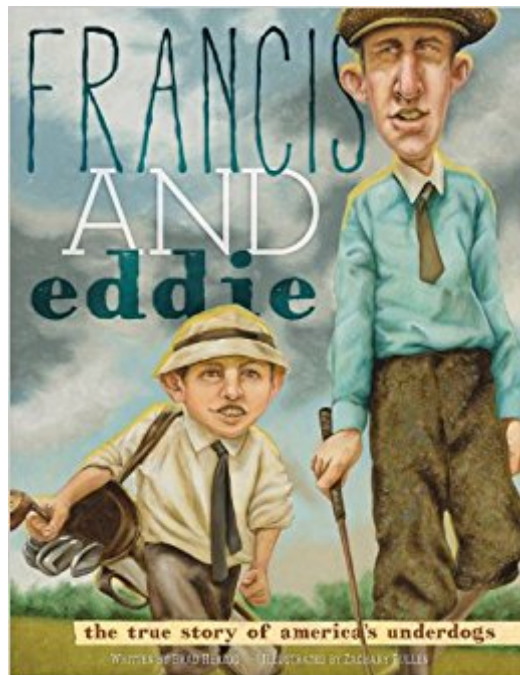




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Francis And Eddie: The True Story Of America's Underdogs



Synopsis

A century ago, in 1913, the world's finest golfers gathered at The Country Club in Brookline, Massachusetts, to compete in golf's national championship, the U.S. Open. Joining them was a little-known amateur, 20-year-old Francis Ouimet, who lived across the street from the course and taught himself to play by sneaking onto the fairways with the only golf club he owned. His caddie? Ten-year-old Eddie Lowery, who stood only four feet tall. Together, against their idols and in front of a crowd that grew from a handful of spectators to a horde of thousands, they attempted to pull off the impossible. Along the way, they forged a lifelong friendship. In **FRANCIS AND EDDIE** award-winning author Brad Herzog and award-winning illustrator Zachary Pullen celebrate golf's most inspiring underdog story. What *Seabiscuit* is to the "sport of kings" *Francis and Eddie* are to the "gentleman's game."

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"There are not too many golf books oriented toward children let alone excellent ones, but I have found one...[a keepsake book that can be passed on from generation to generation.](#)" [\(Golf News Magazine\)](#)

Brad Herzog is the author of more than three-dozen books for children and five titles for adults,

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wonderful story

I taught for over 30 years and this is very well written. Most sports books for elementary age children are usually biographies and not told as a story. My grandson who is going into the second enjoyed reading the book. I should note that our family doesn't play golf so the interest is not the sport. It is the story of being an underdog and having success that is interesting.

I bought this for my 6 year old nephew who just started playing golf. I read it to him at night before bed and he just loves it. It makes him believe he can be like that also. It was written perfectly for a child and makes them believe it can be them also. Now he requests this book every night before bed.

My dad and children were caddies when they were young. Though they all grew up wanting to be as good at the game as some of the people for whom they caddied, their lot in life was only to watch others reach the pinnacle of success. "Francis and Eddie" is a story about having this dream come true. Humility, skill & tenacity triumph in this delightful tale. You will not be disappointed.

What a wonderful children's book. It tells children about one of the greatest golf matches ever. It is an inspiring story about an undog teenager playing in the U S. Open against some the greatest golfers ever. It teaches children that what seems to be impossible can be accomplished through hardwork. It is why it is called the greatest game ever.

Nice accompaniment to the film "The Greatest Game Ever Played". I bought it for my granddaughter who plays a neat game of golf at age 8, and she loved the film. I think she'll love the book, too.

I bought four of these lovely superbly illustrated books for gifts. The story of an amateur winning the U.S. Open is charming! I have given them as gifts to my golfing friends and they loved it!

A great introduction to the game of golf for our 4-year old grandson to go along with his first set of golf clubs!

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