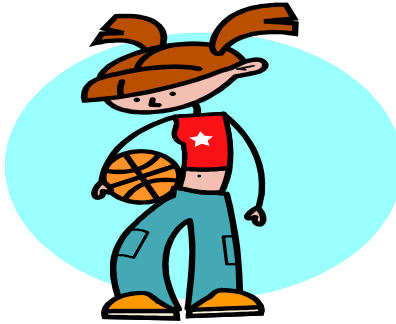


Sports Books for Girls
Girls can play sports just as well as boys can!



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<i>Dancing in Red Shoes Will Kill You</i>	Dorian Cirrone	YA FIC CIR
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Kayla is a junior in high school and a talented ballerina. There are just two things holding her back from being the star dancer in the school plays, and she does her best to keep them in place beneath her enormous triple D bras.

<i>Getting in the Game</i>	Dawn Fitzgerald	J FIC FIT
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Joanna is the only girl on her middle school's hockey team. The hockey players all make fun of her for being a girl, and the girls at school all make fun of her for being a girl who plays sports. Will the ridicule be enough to cause Joanna to abandon the game that she loves?

<i>Dairy Queen</i>	Catherine Murdock	YA FIC MUR
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15-year-old D.J. is a bit of a tom-boy, and she becomes even more so when her father, a dairy farmer, becomes injured, and D.J. starts doing most of the work on the farm. As if working on the farm and going to school isn't enough to keep D.J. busy, she agrees to train Brian for football tryouts at their local high school. In this story, D.J. struggles with self-esteem and accepting the fact that it's okay to not be one of the girly-girls.

<i>Far From Xanadu</i>	Julie Peters	YA FIC PET
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Though the voice in this novel sounds strikingly masculine, Mike is a girl- a girl who is an awesome softball player but who has quite a few family problems. Mike's father committed suicide; her depressed mother is morbidly obese; and her deadbeat brother has driven the family company down the drain. When Xanadu moves to town, Mike develops a strong homosexual attraction to her, but she has to deal with rejection because Xanadu is heterosexual.

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My 13th Season

Kristi Roberts

J FIC ROB

Fran Culler loves baseball, and she's pretty good at it too! After the death of her mother, Fran and her father move to a new town. The baseball team in her new town does not have any girls on it, but Fran decides to join anyway. The coach harasses her from day one, and Fran has to prove that she is worthy to a very skeptical team.

Bat 6

Virginia Wolff

YA WOL

This story takes place just several years after World War II in Oregon. A group of sixth grade girls start a softball team, but the former prejudices and horrors from the war are still manifest in many of the athletes. When Japanese American Aki Mikami comes up against a highly prejudiced player on another team, the results are disastrous.

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