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Safe At Home (Comeback Kids)



Synopsis

From #1 *New York Times* bestseller Mike Lupica! Nick Crandall feels like he doesn't belong anywhere. He doesn't fit in with his new foster parents. They don't know the first thing about sports - and he's not exactly the model student they want him to be. It's only a matter of time until they realize he's not the right kid for them. And Nick certainly doesn't belong playing varsity baseball. He's only twelve years old! His teammates want a catcher their own age. But Nick needs to prove that he belongs - to his parents, to his team, and to himself.

Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

Customer Reviews

I gave this as a Christmas present to my 8 year old great nephew whose eyes lit up when he opened the package....that's all I needed to see.

This book is great. I loved it. If you like baseball you will love this book. GET THIS BOOK NOW.

Not finding the right fit can be frustrating. It's like trying to put a square peg into a round hole. That's the way Nick Crandall felt in this great baseball story titled: Safe At Home. Kids of all ages experience peer pressures some time in their life. Nick Crandall feels like he doesn't belong. When

he replaces another catcher his teammates get angry because they want somebody their own age. In addition to his problems on the playing field, Nick doesn't get along very well with his adoptive parents. They are more interested in their own scholarly profession (professors) than his interest in baseball. Kids would be a lot better off today if their parents supported them and shown an interest in what they do. So Nick has an uphill battle to climb to prove himself to his parents and his teammates on the baseball team. And who made them to be the judge? What makes them so great? Good question(s) to ponder. I say to all the kids to not let your circumstances rule the day. Instead, go with the dictates of your heart even if it means encountering some hurt feelings or bruises along the way. Eventually, with some hard work, roll up your sleeves, and you will find the right fit that will enable you to fulfill your passions. Once again Mike Lupica gives baseball fanatics and non-baseball fans alike, an exciting baseball story filled with unpredictable circumstances. Marvin P. Ferguson, author of THE UNKNOWN BASEBALL PLAYER.

Mike Lupica does it again with another great book for kid sports fans. I would recommend this book for 4th grade.

Mike Lupica continues to give readers what they want - a great story backed by a steady stream of sports. Many reviewers have talked about how Lupica's books are great for kids, but his books are great for all sports fans. Whether you were a player, are a player, or just love the game, Lupica brings the reader into the heart and mind of these teenage athletes, allowing us to see the world as they do in all its fairness and unfairness. Safe at Home, just like his other books, shares a strong message of friendship, family, and trust. This is a great book to spark an interest in reading for a young reader, or a great book to reminisce for an older reader. For those who love baseball, this book is a pleasure to read!

I would give this a ten out of ten catchers. Nick Crandle wanted to get adopted because he was a foster child and his only family his only family was his baseball team. The problem was that the JV catcher broke his wrist to a play at the plate. So the coach came and asked Nick if he wanted to be the JV catcher. If you have the name Nick, and you like to catch, this is the perfect book for you.

Bought this for my (then) 10 year old son. He read it once on his own, then I read it to him at night, and I have to say that I really enjoyed it! I really like Lupica's writing style for this age group. I've read one of Feinstein's book and enjoyed that, too, but I found him almost obsessive about baseball

details. That could be a god thing or a bad thing depending on your child. Lupica writes great stories that just happen to be based around sports. Recommended. Enjoy.

Great book!!! Great job Mike Lupica! I would recommend this for you baseball fans!

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