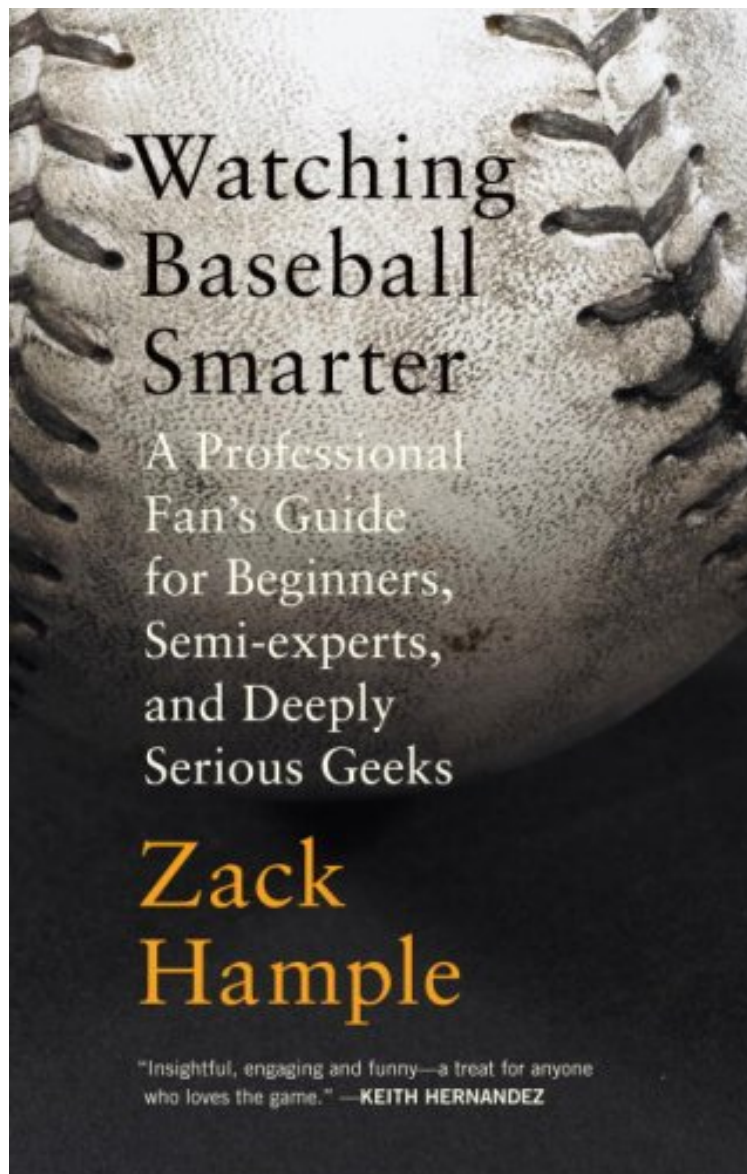


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen8 von 8 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Go from Beginning Watcher to Vivid Descriptor of the ActionVon Donald MitchellWatching Baseball Smarter will appeal to youngsters around 9-12 who are eager to grab as much baseball knowledge as possible by attending and watching games on television. For those young people, scoring, colorful terms, and obscure rules can make the game seem more mysterious than it is. At the same time, learn those elements of active watching and a youngster can develop the basics to enjoy being a lifelong fan.If someone had given me this book at that age, I would have treasured Watching Baseball Smarter above all other gifts I got that at that time. I would have been most thrilled by the illustrations of how the various pitches are thrown.Remember that observation when you consider if you know any budding fans who would be thrilled to have this book.As for the claim that the book is also for semi-experts and deeply serious geeks, I don't think so. I didn't see any material that wasn't well known to me by the time I was 15. And I was hardly a semi-expert or a deeply serious geek. I just enjoyed watching and attending the games.Don't give this book to a serious baseball fan; you'll embarrass yourself if you do.Here are few questions to test your ability to enjoy the book:1. What is the infield fly rule?2. What is a double switch?3. What is a catcher's earned run average?4. What is a safety squeeze?5. How do you keep score?If know all five, this book isn't for you. If you know four, you'll get an occasional nugget from the book. If you know three or fewer, this book is a good choice for you.On this reading, the main pleasure was from remembering when I first learned the material and from an occasional bit of trivia that was new to me. The former pleasure was what kept me reading, and I was disappointed that the book was aimed mostly at an elementary level . . . having found the subtitle to be misleading in terms of the book's relevance for me.Play ball!0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Nicht fr Anfnger.Von RonnyDas Buch erklrt nicht Baseball fr Anfnger, sondern ist fr die, die das Spiel kennen und viel an Nischenwissen erfahren mchten. Ich fragte mich aber z. B., warum nach einem Strike-Out der Catcher den Ball immer zur 3rd Base wirft. Auf die Frage und viele andere solcher Fragen bekam ich Antwort. Das Buch hat sich fr mich voll gelohnt. Die Abbildungen sind fr Kindle ein bisschen schlecht zu erkennen, aber es geht noch.Nur 68% des Buchs sind reine Info, der Rest ist ein Glossar mit Baseballbegriffen und Statistiken.0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Tolles Buch. Wirklich empfehlenswert!!!Von Guido OpitzAbsolut tolles Buch. Wer Baseball liebt und sich dafr interessiert - absolut lesenswert!!! Vielen Dank fr diese Idee des Autors!!!

KurzbeschreibungThis smart and funny fans guide to baseball explains the ins and outs of pitching, hitting, running, and fielding, while offering insider trivia and anecdotes that will appeal to anyone whether you're a major league couch potato, life-long season ticket-holder, or a beginner.What is the difference between a slider and a curveball?At which stadium did The Wave first make an appearance?How do some hitters use iPods to improve their skills?Which positions are never played by lefties?Why do some players urinate on their hands?Combining the narrative voice and attitude of Michael Lewis with the compulsive brilliance of Schott's Miscellany, Watching Baseball Smarter will increase your understanding and enjoyment of the sport no matter what your level of expertise.Features an glossary of baseball slang, an appendix of important baseball stats, and an appendix of uniform numbers.From the Trade Paperback edition.From BooklistHample is known in the blogosphere as the foremost snagger of major-league baseballs (read all about it at snaggingbaseballs.mblogs .com). Here he turns to ink and paper with a Baseball for Dummies-type guide that, thanks to its irreverent, tongue-in-cheek style, will also appeal to fans who left the dummy stage long ago. He covers such topics as the amateur draft, grips for various pitches--slider, curve, splitter, etc.--and what managers talk about on their visits to the mound. There is discussion of the seemingly obvious (the role of starting pitchers) and the more arcane (when not to slide), and there is plenty of genuinely fascinating historical trivia (how the letter K came to be the scorekeeper's symbol for a strikeout). All in all, this is a light but informative tome that will be just the ticket to get fans in the right frame of mind for opening day. Wes LukowskyCopyright American Library Association. All rights reservedPressestimmenThis isnt the first book to take on the challenge of explaining baseball intricacies, but Ive never seen it done better. . . . When it comes to producing aha moments of baseball enlightenment, the book indeed has a high batting average. The Seattle TimesHample calls himself an obsessed fanobsessed in a good wayand the product of his torment is a funny and informative guide for all levels of fans. Yankees MagazineEngaging. . . . Hamples book is both deceptive in its simplicity (the basic rules, but also the ten different ways a pitcher can commit a balk) and surprising in its range. Fortune