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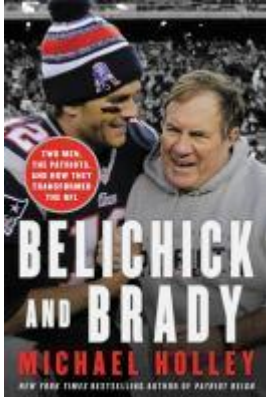
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Countdown to kickoff book list

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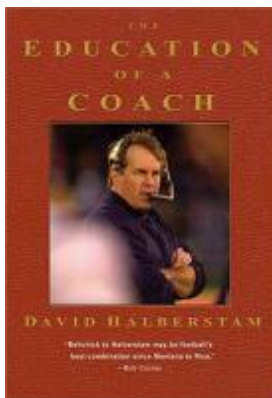
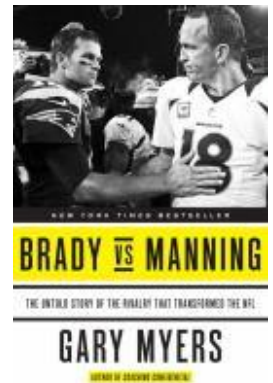
Before the game check out these books recommended by Belmont Public Library Staff.
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It's a New England thing



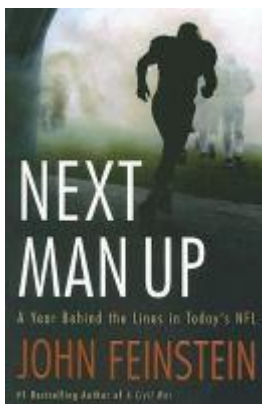
[Belichick and Brady](#) by Michael Holley-When they came to the Patriots in 2000 Bill Belichick was a defensive genius who had been a failure as a head coach and Tom Brady was a thin, unheralded rookie out of Michigan but by the end of the 2001 season they would be champions and seventeen years later they're legends. Michael Holley examines the relationship that changed a franchise and a league forever. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 HOL**

[Brady vs. Manning](#) by Gary Myers-Already longing for the time when the two quarterbacks ruled the AFC? Then read this examination of the greatest QB rivalry in history. Myers talks to coaches, family, opponents, and the two men themselves in this dual biography of the future hall of famers. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 MYE**



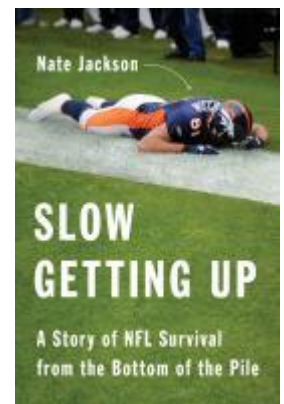
[The education of a coach](#) by David Halberstam-Fans yearning to know what has made Bill Belichick what he is today should read Halberstam's biography of the famed coach. Halberstam investigates the personal and professional influences in the coach's life, from being the grandson of hardworking Croatian immigrants to coaching under Bill Parcells. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 BELICHICK, B./HAL**

Life in the NFL

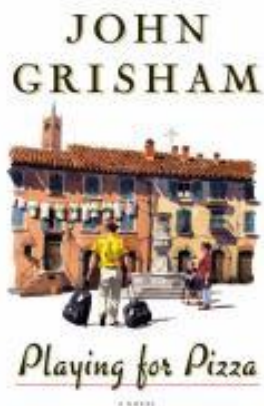


[Next man up](#) by John Feinstein-Want to see what goes on behind the scenes during the course of an NFL season? Then check out this title from the bestselling author who embedded himself with the Baltimore Ravens in 2005 from the Draft through their playoff loss the subsequent season. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 FEI**

[Slow getting up](#) by Nate Jackson-Few fans realize that the average career for an NFL player is right around three seasons. This undrafted free agent who played six seasons for the Broncos colorfully shares his story of what pro football life is really like for the players at the bottom of the roster. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 JAC**

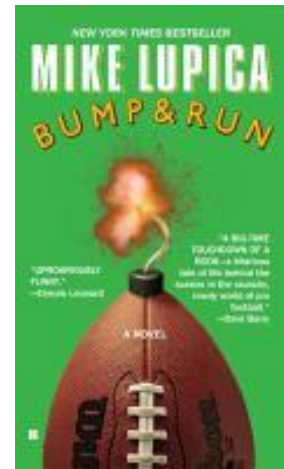


I've never heard of those players

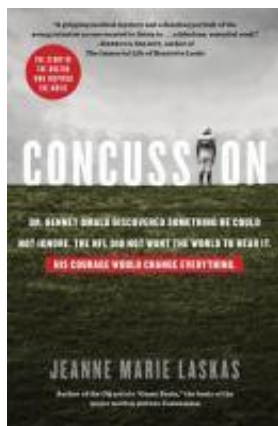


[Playing for pizza](#) by John Grisham-In a departure from his popular legal thrillers Grisham brings us this novel where quarterback Rick Dockery gets released by the Browns after costing his team a trip to the Super Bowl only to be offered a contract by the Panthers...the Parma, Italy Panthers. Grisham's story is light and humorous as Dockery experiences culture shock, love, and a brand of American football he's never quite seen before. **BELMONT/Adult FIC GRI**

[Bump and Run](#) by Mike Lupica-If you're looking for a caricatured version of the NFL go no further than this novel by the *New York Daily News* columnist. "Jammer" Jack Molloy, the black sheep of his well-to-do family who surprisingly inherits the New York Hawks when his father dies. Instead of selling the team Molloy he decides to run it and learns that everyone from the owners to the players are only out for themselves. **BELMONT/Paperback PB FIC LUP**



The dark side of the game



[Concussion](#) by Jeanne Marie Laskas-The GQ writer expands on her 2009 article "Brain Game" which broke the story of Dr. Bennet Omalu, the Pittsburgh medical examiner who discovered CTE. In this semi-biographical work Laskas details Omalu's fight against the NFL as they sought to discredit him and his research. **BELMONT/Adult 617.5 LAS**

[Billion Dollar Ball](#) by Gilbert Gaul-The Pulitzer prize winning author looks at how TV money has created a culture where top football programs have become their own entities. Great for readers interested in the relationship between bigtime college sports and the institutions they represent. **BELMONT/Adult 796.332 GAU**

