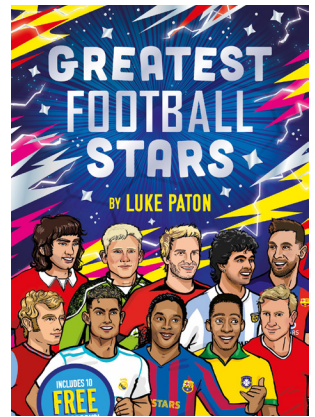


Title:

The Greatest Football Stars – 10 Book Collection



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This series tells the inspiring stories of ten of the greatest football players of all time. From their first games in the street to the world's biggest stadiums, each player shows how talent, hard work, and determination can lead to success.

Before Reading

- Look at the cover. What do you already know about these players?
- Discuss:
 - What qualities make someone a great footballer?
 - Do you think all great players had an easy path to success?
- Make a list of words you associate with football (e.g. teamwork, speed, goal, passion).

During Reading

- Pause at key points and ask:
 - What challenges does this player face on their way to the top?
 - How does their childhood or background influence their career?
 - What choices or opportunities change their life?

After Reading

Discussion questions

- What was the most surprising fact you learned about this player?
- How do they inspire you?
- Do you think hard work is more important than talent? Why?

Activities

1. My Football Star Timeline

- Create a timeline of a player's life: childhood, first team, big achievements, and key matches.

2. Quote Poster

- Find an inspiring quote from your football star (or make one up for them).
- Design a poster with the quote and a picture of the player.

3. Compare Two Players

- Choose two players from the series.
- Make a Venn diagram showing what they have in common and what makes them different.

4. Letter to My Hero

- Write a letter to your chosen football star.
- Tell them what you admire about them and ask three questions you'd like to know.

5. My Own Football Dream

- Write or draw your own football dream: Where would you play? Which team? What skills would you use?