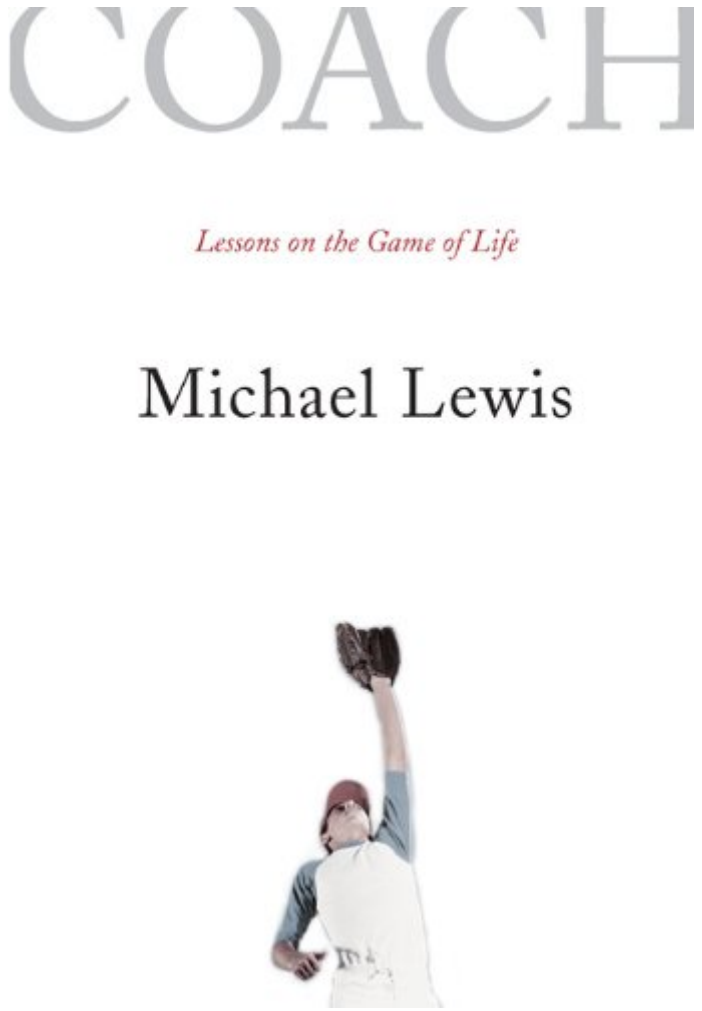
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Synopsis

A story with a big heart about a boy, a coach, the game of baseball, and the game of life."There are teachers with a rare ability to enter a child’s mind; it’s as if their ability to get there at all gives them the right to stay forever." There was a turning point in Michael Lewis’s life, in a baseball game when he was fourteen years old. The irascible and often terrifying Coach Fitz put the ball in his hand with the game on the line and managed to convey such confident trust in Lewis’s ability that the boy had no choice but to live up to it. "I didn’t have words for it then, but I do now: I am about to show the world, and myself, what I can do." The coach’s message was not simply about winning but about self-respect, sacrifice, courage, and endurance. In some ways, and now thirty years later, Lewis still finds himself trying to measure up to what Coach Fitz expected of him.

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Customer Reviews

I truly value that Michael Lewis wrote an inspiring impactful story at its proper length.A story that has tremendous value was told and written without any fluff or run on tangents for word count or page fill.Do not value this book by the page, value it by the impact that the words on those pages have.I

know that I have and I have reread this book many, many times.We all have that 1 coach that we would do anything for - I know that I have.It just so happens to be that 1 coach that some people don’t like just as intensely.There is a reason for that - that coach made you surpass your limits of what you thought was possible - made you feel comfortable with being uncomfortable.Some value that, and some would rather stay within their comfortable limits.It is interesting to note that the coach never changed over time, the only thing that changed was how he was valued.With some valuing "not to loose what they have" over "becoming what they could be."Praise to Michael Lewis for telling a meaningful story at its proper length.It is more powerful than any 600+ page book that I have ever read.

This book is funny, powerful, and short enough to become monthly reading. I found Lewis’s reflections on his old baseball coach to be inspiring. I often find myself recounting the lessons of my coaches when playing with my own son. The takeaways from the book now provide me with the motivation and internal monologue to remind myself that me, and my son’s future coaches, are the ones responsible for teaching our sons and daughters to overcome adversity and to achieve their fullest potential.

Just to be clear: you’re not getting the standard Michael Lewis masterpiece of financial journalism here. Coach is a short personal essay--stretched out with line spacing and cutesy pictures and sold as a book. Pretty good essay, though. Anything by Lewis is good, as far as I’m concerned.This should take you about 25 minutes to read.

As a former manager of a girls travel team, this is a must read for all parents to keep youth sports in the proper perspective.

A book about what it means to be successful and how to fight for what is right even in the face of opposition

A really fantastic... essay. Not long enough to really be called a book.

I differ with previous reviews lamenting the brevity of the book. Obviously, adults reading the book were thinking in terms of adults. I read the book thinking about my 12-year old grandson and felt it was a perfect book to send him at this stage in his life.This is exactly the type of book you would

want to send your grandchildren or have your own children read.It sends a powerful message and being written by someone having been coached by this person at the age of 13 makes it even more valid.It may be short, but that’s the beauty of it. It keeps your interest, gets the point across and leaves you wishing for more or better yet, offers the opportunity for discussion with young adults.

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