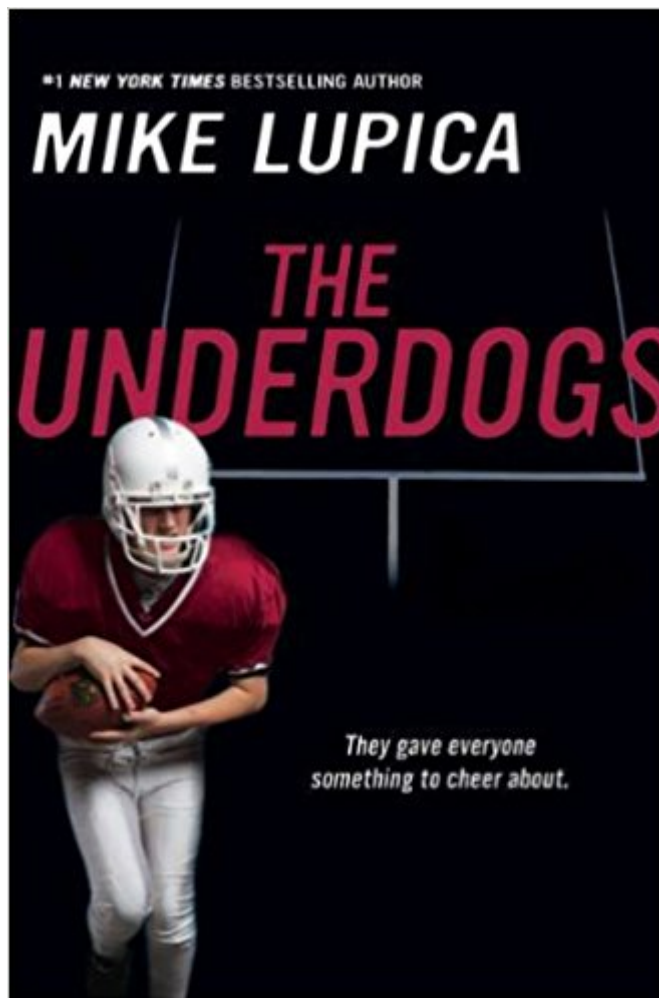




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Praise for *The Underdogs*: "There's plenty of action for sports fans, and readers will root for Will and his teammates till the very last page." "School Library Journal" "[F]ootball fans will respond to the detailed and exciting game action once the season gets rolling and find inspiration in Will and his teammates' tenacity." "Publisher's Weekly" "Will's ingenuity and loyalty are encouraging, causing readers to want to cheer him on as he makes his dream come true." "VOYA

Mike Lupica is the author of many novels for sports fans. His columns for the New York Daily News are syndicated nationally, and he is a regular on ESPN's The Sports Reporters. Partial to the little guys, Mr. Lupica enjoys coaching youth basketball. He lives in New Canaan, Connecticut, with his wife and their four children.

I think that this was an extremely good book because I thought that the storyline and main and supporting characters are very interesting. I think Mike Lupica is an amazing author with a lot of talent in writing sports books. Underdogs deserves 5 stars because of the development of characters and the perfect plot and storyline. Taking part in sports like football my self I can understand the feeling of having the entire game on the line and in your hands. Mike Lupica is my favourite author and has written some of my favourite books including Heat and Travel Team.

My son loves it.

My 10 year old son loves all of Mike Lupica's books. If you have a child that is in to sports then I highly recommend these books.

Mike Lupica writes great books! My sons are not big readers but really enjoy reading the Mike Lupica book series. I will continue to purchase these books as long as they continue with the desire to read on their own. I would recommend these books to anyone who has a child interested in sports but not so interested in reading. You won't believe how these books will make them pick up the book and read with out being asked.

This book really expresses what it's like to want to play a sports season and win against a team considered the best. When a girl joins the team and saves the most important game in Will Tyler's and his team's lives.

I'm a freak about football, so I could read this book in a heartbeat. I loved the book. Loved how you made it turn out. I also liked how much you expressed each important character's personality. And for the record, Mike Lupica, you're one of my favorite authors. The Bulldogs were the Underdogs.

I ordered this for a rising 6th grader for summer reading. I read it with him and loved the characters and the story. Very age appropriate and fun to read.

My grandson is nine and loves this author

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