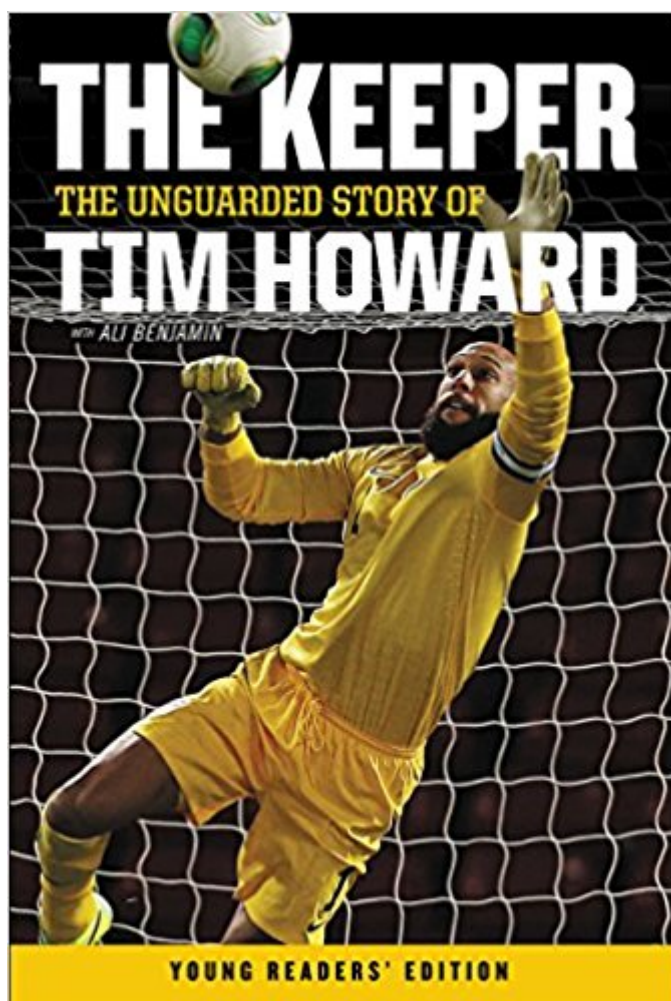


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The Keeper: The Unguarded Story Of Tim Howard Young Readers' Edition



Synopsis

In this heartwarming and candid memoir, US national soccer team goalkeeper Tim Howard opens up for the first time about how a hyperactive kid from New Jersey with Tourette Syndrome defied the odds to become one of the world's premier goalkeepers. After a successful seventeen-year professional soccer career, Howard became an overnight star during the 2014 World Cup in Brazil. His heroic performance in the game for the United States against Belgium, in which he saved an astonishing fifteen shots—the most for any goalkeeper in a World Cup game—made him a household name as well as a trending internet meme. In the course of 120 minutes, Howard went from a player known mainly by soccer fans to an American icon, loved by millions for his dependability, daring, and humility. In this uplifting memoir adapted for young readers and now in paperback, Howard shares his remarkable journey from a challenging childhood in which he was raised by a single mother who instilled in him a love of sports and a deep faith that helped him deal with the onset of Tourette Syndrome in fifth grade. The book includes a glossary and a full-color insert.

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Customer Reviews

Meet Tim Howard—American icon and soccer sensation Tim became an overnight hero during the summer 2014 World Cup in Brazil, saving an astonishing fifteen shots on

goalkeeper – the most for any goalkeeper in a World Cup game. But what most people don't know about Tim is his remarkable journey to becoming a worldwide soccer star. In this down-to-earth memoir, Tim shares his incredible story. He recounts his rise to World Cup stardom, the challenges he faced both on and off the field in getting to the top, and the enduring faith that sustained him. For the first time ever, Tim drops his guard and opens up about how a hyperactive kid from New Jersey with Tourette Syndrome defied the odds to become one of the world's premier goalkeepers.

Tim Howard is the goalkeeper for Everton in the English Premier League and the U.S. men's national team. He previously played for the MetroStars in Major League Soccer and for the storied Manchester United. In July 2014, he broke the record for most saves (fifteen) in a World Cup game. He also works as a soccer broadcaster on NBC's weekly coverage of the EPL.

I am not a book reviewer, but will respond to this book by saying that I am so thrilled with the impact Howard's story has had on my goalie son. He read it through in 2 days, told me all about it for the next 2 days, then began to read it again. I read it through in one night and quickly understood why my son was so excited about this book. He has a mild speech issue, for which he is teased by some. He is highly gifted with several intensities that set him apart from other kids so much he feels very alone at times. While not at all the same as TS, it's the 'different' aspect that he connected with, and Howard's situation growing up was similar to my own. My son dreams of being a great keeper someday, then coach, and when in the net is one of the few times I see him confident, purposeful, and focused. Thank you, Tim Howard for sharing your story, it has meant so much to son, and to many others.

Absolutely fantastic book! I bought the young readers edition for my 13 year old. She read it in one evening. Then I did the same. If you have watched Tim play, you likely have a great respect for him as a keeper. I didn't really know much about him until the 2014 World Cup, but he is now among my favorite players. It was interesting to hear about his life. The highs and the lows that have made him who he is today. This is a must read for any soccer fan. I think I will also read the regular edition of his book.

My 9 year old daughter is a big reader. It's always hard to get kids to read nonfiction over fiction so I found books that related to her life. She is training to be a goalkeeper and even at 9 years old she's had some disappointments in sports, getting cut from elite teams, not being as fast as other kids,

having bad games, etc. She's been reading this book lately and she gets SO excited to tell me about it. Tim Howard shows that he never had it easy and he had a lot to overcome to get to where he is. Very inspiring to a little girl who dreams of being a Women's World Cup goalie some day! She's reading a nonfiction book and gaining some confidence, couldn't ask for more from a book!

My goal keeper son was thrilled to get this for Christmas!

GREAT book!

My 11 yr old son loved this book.

I didn't stop reading this book until finished, I suggest reading it as well. I am not personally into soccer/football, but I've caught myself rooting for Everton and the USA team haha. Tim Howard is really inspiring and proves to everyone that his TS was not a handicap to success.

This item was requested by my Grandson for his birthday. He was very happy with it.

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