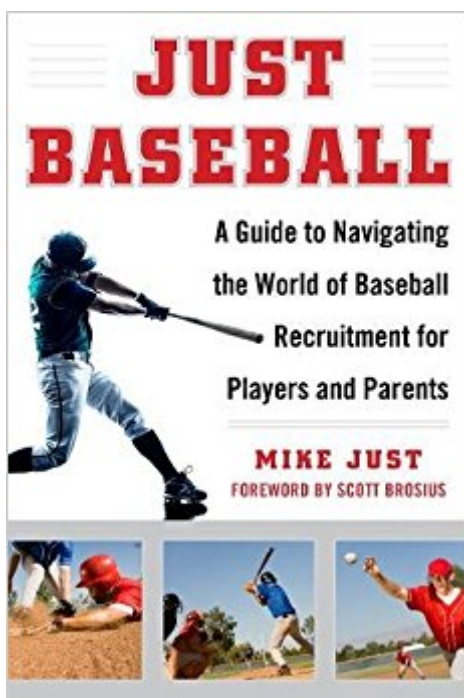


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# Just Baseball: A Practical, Down-to-Earth Guide To The World Of Baseball



## Synopsis

That sound, the first crack of the bat. Every year in early spring a special kind of joy comes over those who love America's favorite pastime, baseball. This feeling is no different for the millions of kids who dream of greatness when they pick up a bat and make their way to the plate. In *Just Baseball*, Mike Just has created a guide to the world of baseball. Drawing from his own journey to the pros, Just better equips parents and players to make smart decisions as they pursue the game while encouraging players to pursue excellence, maximize their talents, and inspire them to find greater satisfaction in the game. The book covers these topics and more: At what age should youngsters start playing the game? What values will define a player's baseball character? How important is it to be a team player? What do baseball scouts look for? How can players gain an edge in recruiting? What if your head coach leaves? Is being drafted out of high school a good or bad thing? Baseball is not a one-size-fits-all journey. Learning how to make thoughtful choices that make the most sense for one's own set of circumstances is all part of getting to the next level. Mike Just's own experience provides valuable insight for all those who are serious about baseball, and who want to be the best.

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"The bottom line is this: even if you, as a parent, are a lifelong, diehard baseball fan, you really owe it to yourself and your son to read a copy of *Just Baseball*. While the game of baseball may not have changed that much since you played, the truth is, the business of baseball has changed dramatically, and continues to change. And if your boy has hopes to keep progressing to the next

level, Just Baseball is a very solid guidebook." - Rick Wolff, Ask Coach Wolff

Mike Just played baseball at all levels, from Little League through high school, college and the pros. At Liberty University he was All-Conference, hitting .379 and establishing the fielding record for assists in a single season. He played at the professional level in the Frontier and Northern Leagues, where he led his teams in batting, steals, and doubles. He now runs the Just Hits Professional Baseball and Softball Instruction Academy in Westwood, New Jersey.

Excellent book on how to navigate the world of baseball. I wish a book like this had been around when my son was playing high school ball. There are so many things that parents and players do not know going in and this book helps explain it all. Highly recommend this book for anyone who has a dream of playing baseball in the major leagues.

Excellent book. My nephew is just starting to play competitively, and this book has outlined exactly what he will need to do to get a shot at the big show. If you want to make it, you have to be more than good - you have to know the politics, too!

Great book. A must read for anyone wanting to pursue baseball in college and beyond! Very valuable information.

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