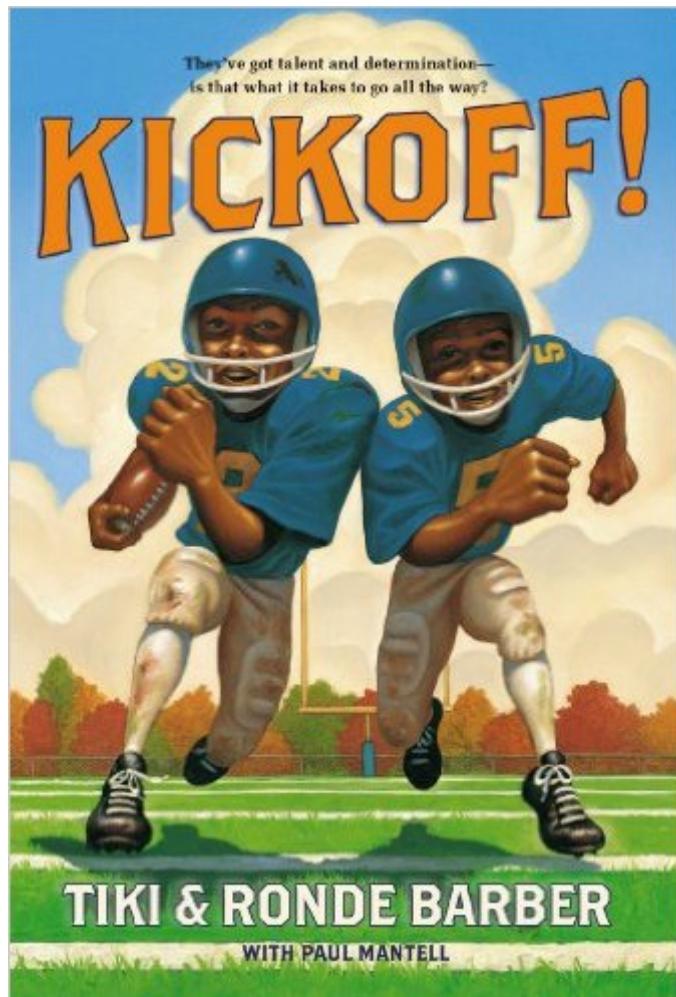


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# Kickoff! (Barber Game Time Books)



## Synopsis

"Hut! Hut! Go long, Tiki!" Tiki and Ronde's twelfth summer is winding down -- the nights are getting shorter and the evenings cooler. That means two things: The first day of junior high is just a few days away, and it's almost the start of football season at last. With two championships and an 8-2 season last year, Tiki and Ronde are ready to graduate from the Peewee League and hit the field as starting players for the Hidden Valley Eagles. But junior high is a lot bigger than elementary school. The competition for starting spots is stiff, and seniority rules. If Tiki and Ronde make it past tryouts and cuts, will they get the chance to play, or will they have to spend the season watching from the bench with the other seventh graders? Inspired by the childhood of NFL superstars Tiki and Ronde Barber, Kickoff! is a story of teamwork, perseverance, and what it takes to be a champion.

## Book Information

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Age Range: 8 - 12 years

Grade Level: 3 - 7

## Customer Reviews

This is the first chapter book for kids by Tiki and Ronde Barber. I started getting Tiki and Ronde's fine picture books for my son because he saw Tiki and Ronde speaking about it on MNF. They are quality stories with excellent messages for kids. Tiki and Ronde are role models that a parent can embrace for their character, which is something I am always struggling with when I find sports

related books for my son.

My seven year old son found this at our school book fair last week. He finished it within days - he couldn't put it down! This year he has developed a strong interest in football - interested in watching the games, learning the game, etc. This book was a hit with my son. I came to look for other books that people were buying along with it to get some ideas for my son. I'm thrilled to learn that there are more books in the series. I am buying more for my son for Christmas. I love the positive messages that Tiki and Ronde are getting across in the books. I highly recommend this book for any boy interested in football.

I am not a big football fan and I don't know a lot about football but this book was good it is about two twins that have each other and they are not in the same classes but they are in the same football team though there are also some troubles on the way.

**KICKOFF** Would you like to read an action filled football book then you should read kickoff. There are two authors of this book their twin brothers that play football in the NFL. Their names are Ronde and Tiki Barber. This book has 176 pages and there is excitement on each page. Kickoff is a thrilling action book. It starts off when two identical brothers go to seventh grade. And tryout for the football team. They both make the football team. But one problem their third string, not starters. The head coach Spanky can't tell the brothers apart so he just calls them Barber. One of their best friends Paco said that the second day of school was beat the seventh graders day where the eighth and ninth graders beat the seventh graders. And on the end of the second day of school they forgot about beat the seventh graders day and later on that day they remembered and found out that it was a lie. My favorite part of the book is when Ronde gets a pic6. A pic6 is when a player on the defense makes an interception and run the ball back for a touchdown. It's my favorite part because it's so descriptive then after he scores it says that the extra point was good now the score is 7-6. Eagles. Ronde won the game for the Eagles. Tiki won the second game for the Eagles 14-12. The most important thing that I learned from kickoff is that never stop trying to achieve your goal and speak up for what you think is right. The other books by these authors are Go Long, Wild Card and Red Zone. I never read a book like kickoff so I guess it's a one of a kind book. I recommend this book to anybody that can read or people who LOVE the game of football. This book is defiantly a five star book.

I bought this book for my Third Grade son last week at his book fair. He will finish it today! I have never seen him read a book so quickly or be so enthusiastic. We were thrilled to find today that there is also a new book out and can't wait to buy that one too. This book is definitely a hit at our house!

Written by my 9 year old son: This book is about twin brothers named Tiki and Ronde Barber. They are in 7th grade and are very stressed at school because they both want to make the football team. There's good news and bad news. They make the team but they are second stringers. When they finally get to play, Tiki makes a great throw to score a touchdown and Ronde makes a field running, winning game touch down. They celebrated on the bus for Tiki and Ronde and Ronde got the game ball. Way later they make the NFL and Ronde goes to the Tampa Bay Buccaneers and Tiki goes to the New York Giants. I think you should read this book because it improves your character, you learn about good sportsmanship, and you find great interest in football. I will give this book 5 out of 5 stars!

The young man to whom I gave the book really liked it a lot. Unfortunately, I did not read it entirely myself, which I intend to do if I can wrestle it back from him....or to the other young man to whom he lent it. This is a topic that he loves, and it isn't easy to find such topics for him. Would like to find more such books at this reading level.

My son loves football but the story seemed slow to him when he was reading it. He definitely loves football and this was good for him. Especially since he needs to read more. It is not hard to get him to play football but it is to read. This makes it easier for him to read more.

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