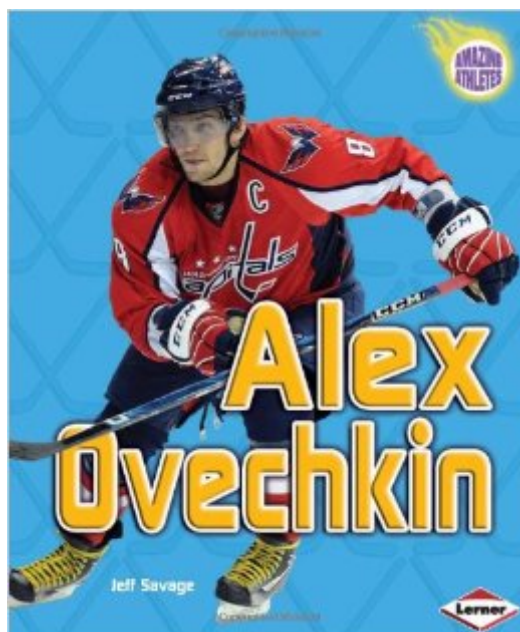


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## Synopsis

Alexander Mikhaylovich Ovechkin (born 1985) is a Russian professional ice hockey left winger and captain of the Washington Capitals of the National Hockey League (NHL).

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Alexander Mikhaylovich Ovechkin, a wildly popular hockey player nicknamed Ovie, never did anything in a small way. In fact, when he was born he weighed more than 12 pounds! Coming from an athletic family, Alex seemed to have hockey in his blood. When he was five he saw his first game on the TV and "cried for his father to let him watch the game." When he started playing at the age of eight, there was no turning back. Alex was a hockey fanatic who would "stay [on the ice] for as long as eight hours at a time." His mother would send along a hot beverage and sandwiches to fuel him up. An unfortunate family tragedy made him even more determined to succeed in hockey and by the time he was 16 he was a member of Dynamo Moscow. Dynamo was one of the best teams in Russia, but despite his success and fame in his home country, his goal was to become a member of the National Hockey League (NHL). Alex easily made the 2004 draft, but turmoil within the league caused the 2004-2005 season to be cancelled. Undeterred, Alex was willing to wait and when he was picked up by the Washington Capitals, he was offered an amazing "three-year contract worth

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