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Yes, She Can!: Women's Sports Pioneers (Good Sports)





Synopsis

Not very long ago, many people said girls and women were too weak and delicate to play sports. Fortunately, a lot of girls didn't listen. Trudy Ederle, Louise Stokes, Tidye Pickett, Julie Krone and Danica Patrick sure didn't. Trudy Ederle swam the English Channel, Louise Stokes and Tidye Pickett made it into the Olympics running track, Julie Krone became jockey, and Danica Patrick decided to drive Indie cars. Yes, She Can! tells the inspiring stories of these pioneers in sports. Thanks to them, everyone knows now that girls can do anything they want. Perfect for young athletes, ages 9-12.

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Age Range: 10 - 12 years

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Customer Reviews

I feel it's important for every child to have a hero. Mine usually played for the Boston Celtics or had x-ray vision... and since times do change, I figured it was time for my daughter to hear about some female pioneers in the world of sports. This book was the perfect choice. It tells the stories of Trudy Ederle, Louise Stokes & Tidye Pickett, Julie Krone, and Danica Patrick. Each chapter goes into their beginnings, their inspirations, their trials and their triumphs. It's hard to topple the popularity of Judy Moody in our house, but my daughter took to this book like a duck to water. She loved hearing about how each woman got their start in their chosen sport, and the obstacles they had to overcome

in order to succeed. For a solid week, she asked me to read with her each night after I got home from work. I asked my daughter how she liked this book and she was able to rattle off facts about Trudy Ederle swimming the English Channel and inadvertently inventing the first bikini, she felt that Louise Stokes and Tidye Pickett opened doors for other African-American Olympians, she thought Julie Krone was "good on tough horses" and she took a real shine to Danica Patrick getting over her fears, standing up for herself, and winning her 300 mile race. About a week after this book was finished, my daughter excitedly told me "Dad! Danica Patrick was nominated for 'Favorite Female Athlete' in the Kid's Choice Awards!" She was so proud to have read her story. I asked what she'd like to read next and she said "Maybe something on the first women who did tennis or gymnastics or basketball!

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