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could you want? By Mollie N. Benzominer I suspect that "Full Contact" is a slightly exaggerated autobiographical story of the author's experience as a hockey dad in Orange County, CA. The story, written in a very personable style, surrounds a rocket scientist who relocates his family to Southern California following a forced retirement/layoff/downsizing after the space shuttle program ends. His son is a talented hockey player, in fact a phenom in the midwest Pee wee ranks and was moving up to the next level where checking is allowed. He is now without a team and in a long shot can be on a team, in Los Angeles County (Carson), if he can put one together and his dad will coach it, in an inordinately short period of time. A group of inexperienced hockey players are gathered and they are able to start the season. I was told that the book was very funny. There is humor. Parts are snarkey and smart-alecky. Some of the humor is 14 year old boy humor. Then there is the clever metaphor and turn of phrase. There are also a "boat load" of quirky characters. The story is kind of Buddhist in that stuff happens, Life is full of suffering and there is no reason to it. Especially at the end. After all the calamity, things continue, life goes on. I have heard that this book is being considered for the basis of a movie. I could see it as a movie, I think it would make a good one. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. I really enjoyed this book. By Brady I really enjoyed this book. It revolves around a family that is uprooted from Missouri to Orange County, CA after the father loses his job. The son has NHL dreams and been working hard to advance in youth hockey, and is devastated. Since all the teams have already been selected in Orange County, a unique situation opens up for them to start their own team from scratch. The book follows the lives of the kids, their parents, and their unique hockey season as they're the most exciting team in the junior amateur hockey conference. The author has real talent for writing, and building of suspense. By the end of the book, I was rooting more for the characters and all the family dynamics that were happening with each than whether they won a game or not. I never played hockey or have kids who do. This book definitely gave me an insider's view to a world I've never been exposed to before. And that makes the book different.

This work of fiction is a novel about travel-team ice hockey. I realize that it is aimed at a fairly narrow audience, but I'm hoping that it will be read by anyone who has ever played ice hockey. Or, read by the parent of an ice-hockey travel team player. Or that it's read by anyone who has gotten divorced or laid-off in the last six years and has a child that plays ice hockey. Well, actually, any parent with a child in sports can probably get something from this book. So think of this as a combination of Steinbeck's 'The Grapes of Wrath' and Golding's, 'Lord of the Flies' - but with Hockey.