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First published in 1992 as **Good Sports! A Bag of Sports Stories**, this is an excellent collection of stories to entertain sports fans. Unlike some sports based fiction, the stories are not predictable nor are the characters stereotyped. Mainstream sports - football, tennis, rounders, cricket and swimming - are covered but there are also tales about trampolining, ice-skating and skateboard. Authors in Bradman's collection include Jean Ure with 'Back Home', Malorie Blackman with a sensitively written story about a girl suffering from Sickle Cell, and Jan Mark with 'Left Foot Forward.' Rob Childs' soccer contribution, 'Who's in Goal?', contains a final twist with echoes of Gene Kemp's **Turbulent Term of Tyke Tiler**, whilst Judith Hemington's 'Double-booked' sees its central character Sanjay in a dilemma over a family wedding which clashes with a cricket match. All authors included show a clear technical grasp of the sports covered without alienating the non-expert reader.

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