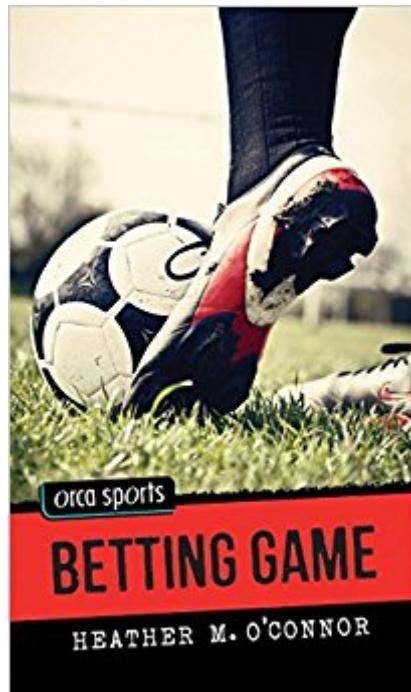


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# Betting Game (Orca Sports)



## Synopsis

Jackâ™s a star player on an elite soccer team along with his brother, Alex. The Lancers are on top of the league, even favored to win the National Championship. But the gameâ™s about to change. A slick bookie wins Jackâ™s friendship and introduces him to illegal betting. Before long, Jack is hooked on the adrenaline rush, and early wins convince him that gambling could make him rich. Meanwhile, an ever-widening rift is forming between the two brothers. Suddenly, Jackâ™s âœsystemâ• fails and his luck runs out. How could a few losses pile up to a gut-kicking ten grand? When he canâ™t pay, the bookie gives Jack one way outâ"throw the National Championship. But can he betray his brother, his team and himself?

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"Oâ™Connor will keep the gameâ™s fans close with plenty of in-the-know soccer patter, but she will also draw other readers with the story of Jackâ™s slow absorption into a gambling...Hard-hitting...and as memorable as a prison tour for young men who think crime is a sport and a joke." (Kirkus Reviews 2015-08-15)"The fast-paced writing has enough soccer action to keep reluctant readers turning the pages, and the gambling intrigue, along with a side plot involving a new player on Jackâ™s team, adds to the increasing conflict...The tone, dialogue, and emotional stakes ring true. A solid pick for hi-lo sports fiction." (Booklist 2015-09-01)"Tight and authentic sports action combined with engaging characters make this title great for sports fans as well as readers

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Jack is playing a high-stakes game.

In this, her debut Young Adult Novel, Heather O'Connor sets a high standard for herself. Jack and his brother, Alex, both play for an elite soccer academy with an eye to being moved to the pros one day. Both are excellent players, but Jack has an unusual edge in that he can plan out the entire game, play for play, in his head. This makes him great at fantasy soccer where he almost never loses. Jack's part time job with the academy's pro team and has taught him a lot about the various players and their abilities — another plus when playing fantasy soccer. When his dad introduces Jack to Luka, a rich young man with a keen interest in soccer, Jack is flattered to be asked about his job. He is more than willing to tell Luka all about the players, their injuries, recoveries and potential in each game. Then a new player with an attitude joins his team, leaving Jack miffed and angry and creating a rift between him and his brother. Luka's interest in him becomes even more valuable. One thing leads to another and before long Jack is immersed in a world he never knew existed. The reader, too, becomes immersed in this world. I don't know much about soccer and as such was wondering what some of the terminology meant but this did not detract too much from my enjoyment of the story. Perhaps a glossary describing some of the soccer terms may have helped. O'Connor has obviously done her homework in researching soccer and the seedier side of the game. The characters come across as quite believable and I must accept the premise that after all that research, her description of the game, both the good and the bad, are accurate. The story moves at a good pace and the action is ongoing enticing the reader ever onward to the next page. This story would appeal to all soccer players and fans as well as to those interested in a good, quick read.

"Good move Jack Attack." Good move Heather M. O' Connor! Jack is a star player for the Lancers. He knows soccer. O'Connor knows her sport. The author doubles her money on a story line about illegal betting. O'Connor's Debut Novel , Betting Games brings the frightening reality of dangerous games played for high stakes. I'm banking on the system! The spread looks good! The energy is high! O'Connor just scored! She's hit the jackpot! And Betting Game is no 'Gamble!'

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