

### **Q** LANGUAGE DETECTIVE

Talk About Words
Nouns are words that
name people, animals,
things, or places. Work
with a partner. Find
the blue words that are
nouns. Use them in
complete sentences.

# Words to Know



- ► Read each Context Card.
- Use a blue word to tell about something you did.

### loved

They loved being part of the soccer team.



everyone

Everyone had fun at the game.



### brothers

The brothers are on the same team.



### field

The field was wet after the rain.



### sorry

The girl was sorry she couldn't play today.



# 6 only

The Reds are ahead by only one point.



# people

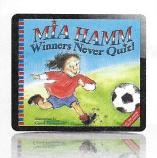
People were happy after the game.



## 8 most

The team cheered most for their coach.





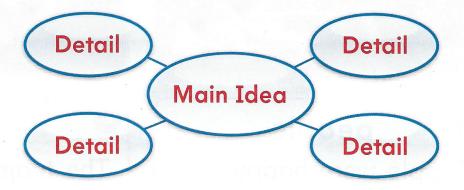
# Read and Comprehend



### V

#### **TARGET SKILL**

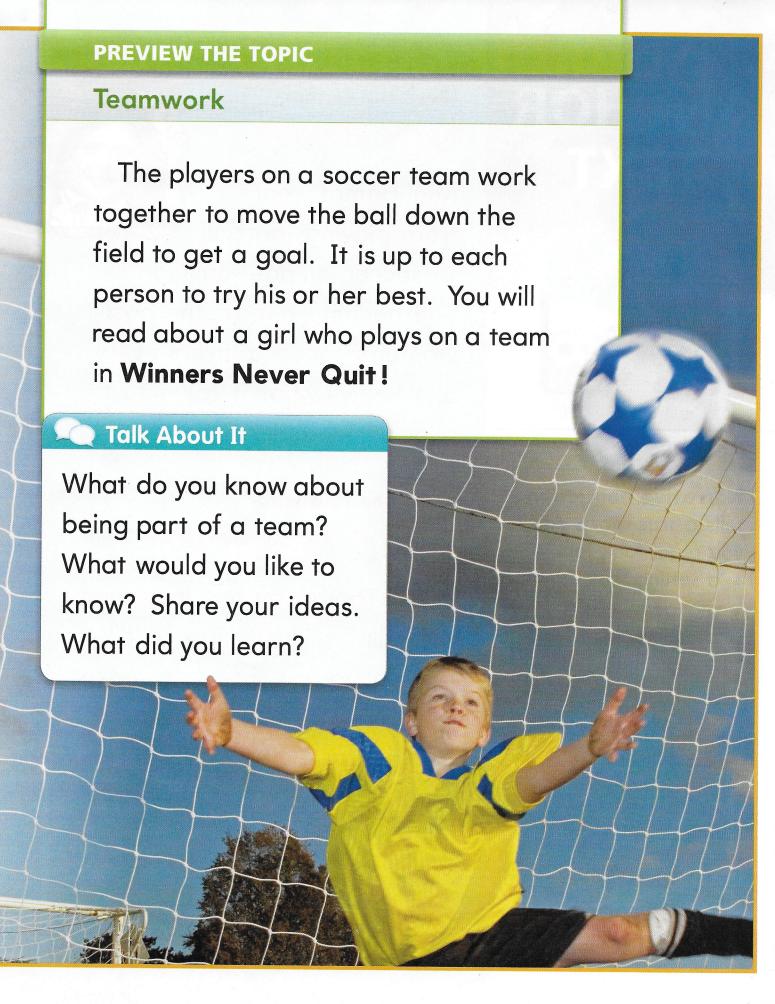
Main Idea and Details A selection is about one big idea, the topic. The main idea is the most important idea about the topic. Details are facts and other bits of information an author uses to tell more about the main idea. Details help make events and ideas clearer. List the main idea and details about a topic on a web.

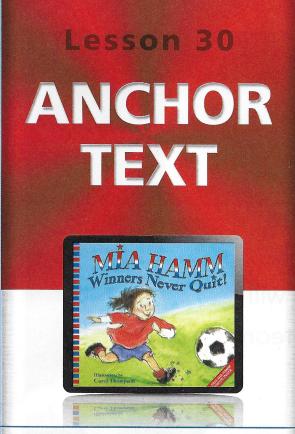


#### V

#### **TARGET STRATEGY**

**Summarize** As you read, stop to retell the important events in your own words.







# Narrative nonfiction

tells a true story. As you read, look for:

- a setting that is real
- ▶ real people as characters

### Meet the Author Mia Hamm

Mia Hamm went from playing football to soccer at age fourteen. She became one of the best women's soccer players ever. She knows what it takes to be a good teammate!

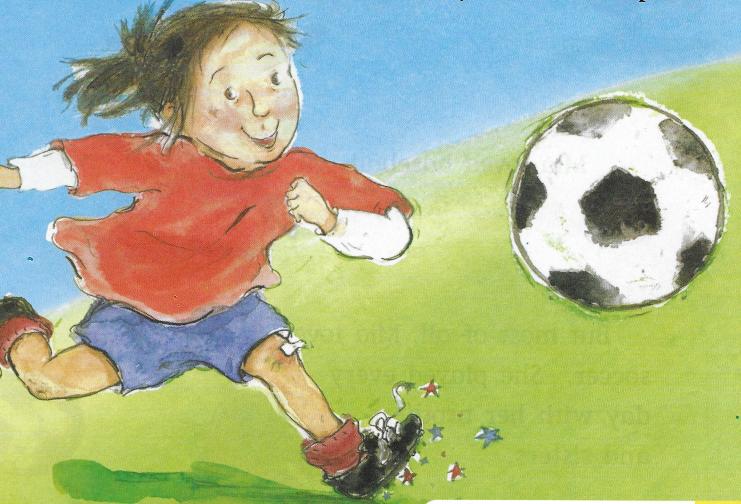
### Meet the Illustrator

# Carol Thompson

Carol Thompson has won many awards for illustrating children's picture books. She also makes greeting cards. She lives in England with her family.

# Winners Never Quit!

by Mia Hamm illustrated by Carol Thompson



### **ESSENTIAL QUESTION**

Why is teamwork important in school or sports?



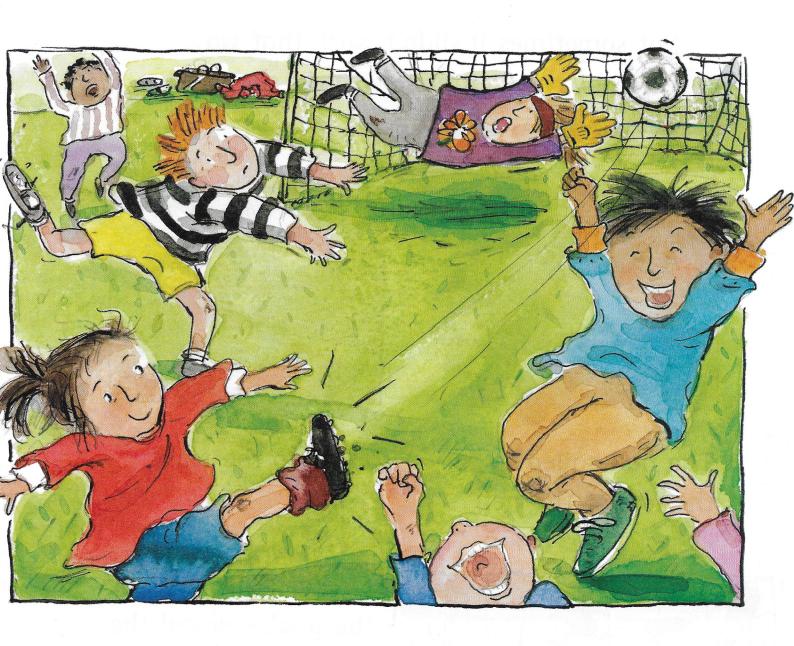


Mia loved basketball.

Mia loved baseball.



But most of all, Mia loved soccer. She played every day with her brothers and sisters.



Tap, tap, tap. Her toes kept the ball right where she wanted it. Then, smack! She'd kick the ball straight into the net. Goal!

Everyone on her team would cheer.

But sometimes it didn't work that way. One day, no matter how hard she tried, Mia couldn't score a goal.



The ball sailed to the left of the net.



Or to the right.



Or her sister Lovdy, the goalie, saved the ball with her hands.

No goal.

No cheering.

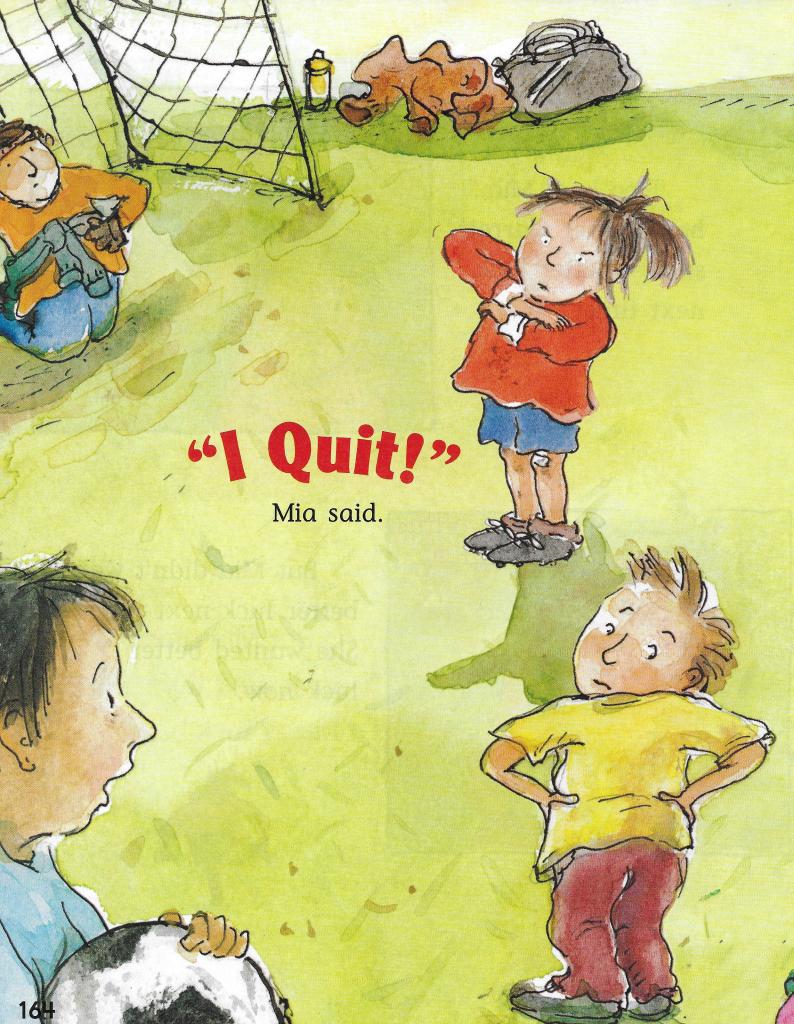
"Too bad, Mia," her brother Garrett said. "Better luck next time!"

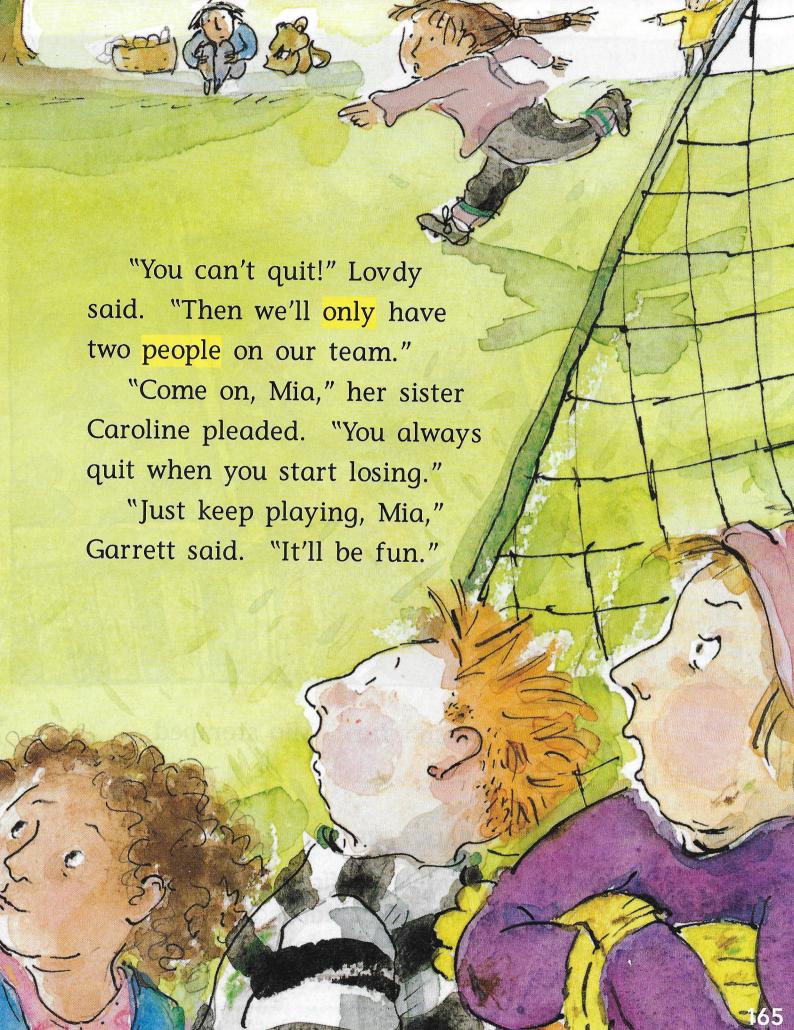


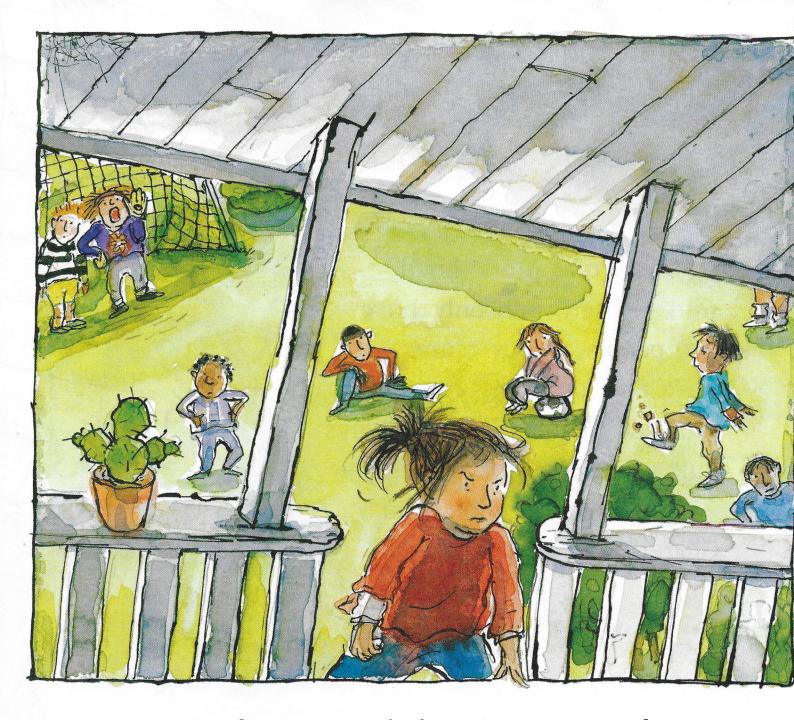


But Mia didn't want better luck next time. She wanted better luck *now*.





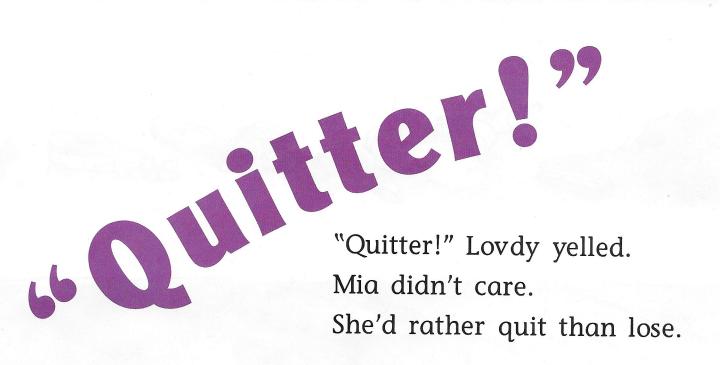




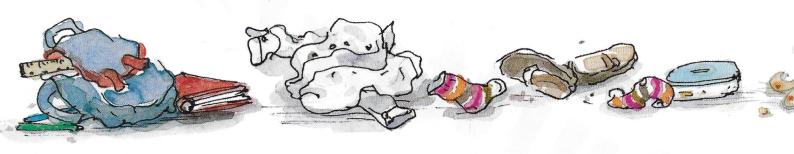
But losing wasn't fun. Mia stomped back to the house.

### **ANALYZE THE TEXT**

Genre: Narrative Nonfiction This is a true story about real people. How is it different from other nonfiction selections?



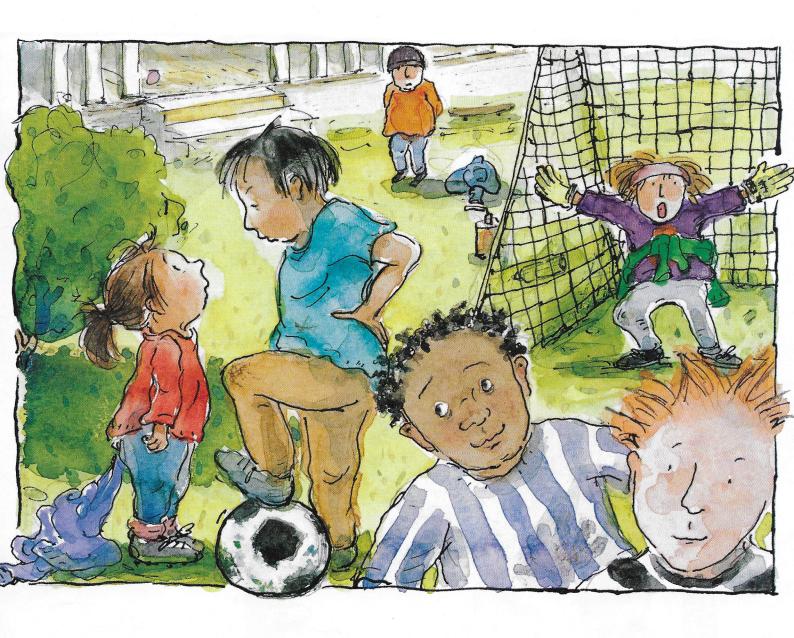






The next day, Mia ran outside, ready to play soccer. When she got there, the game had already started.

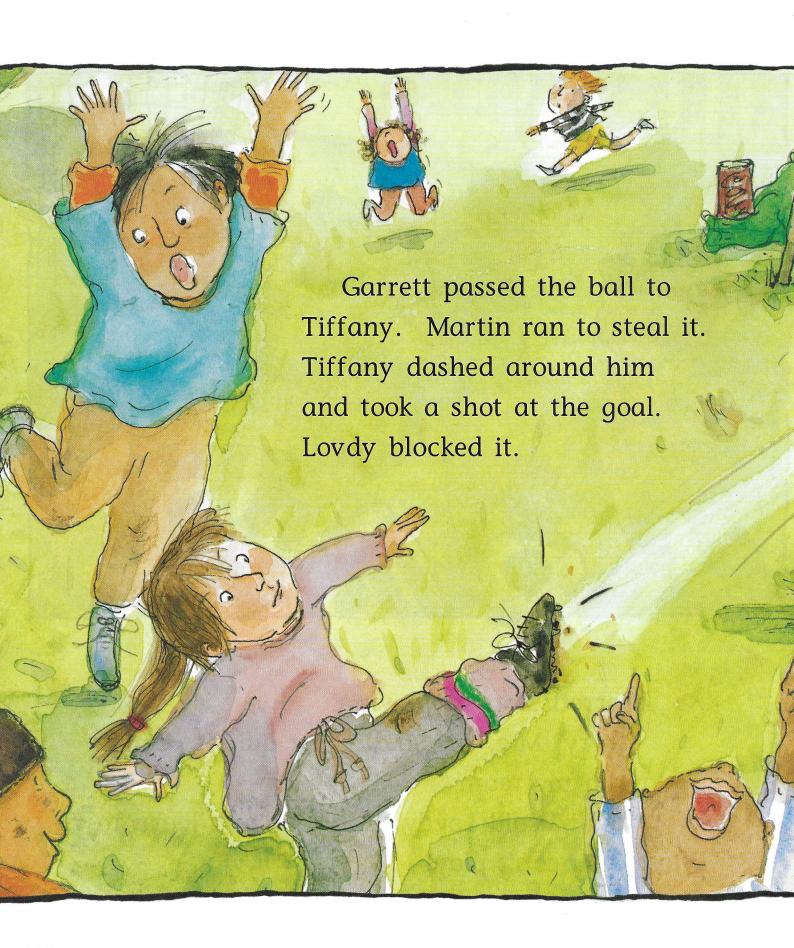
"Hey!" she yelled. "Why didn't you wait for me?"

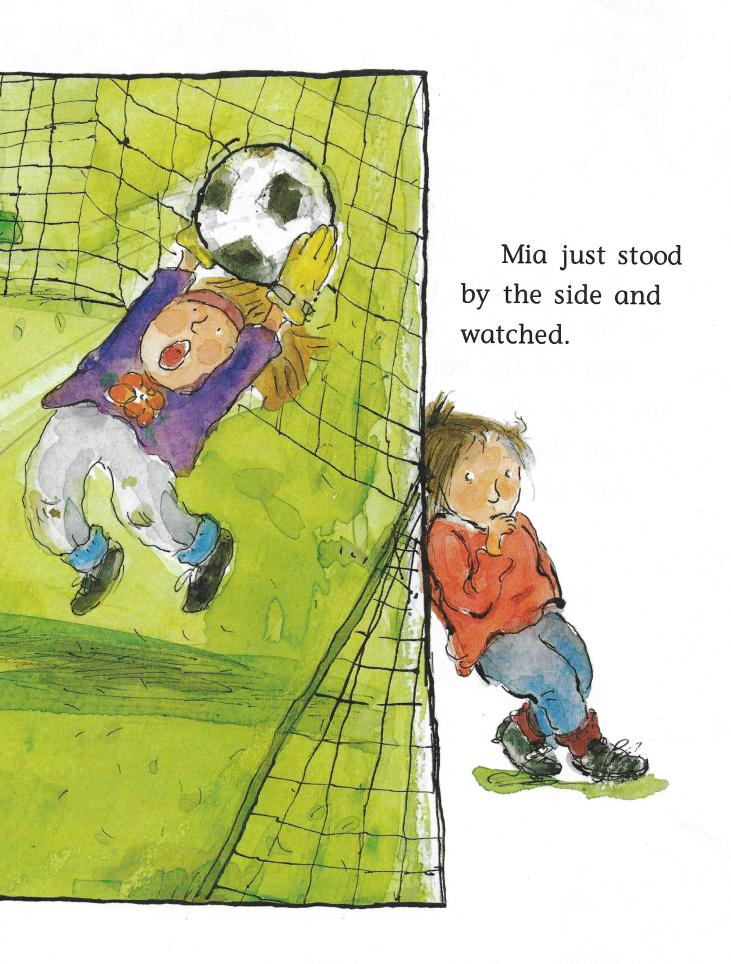


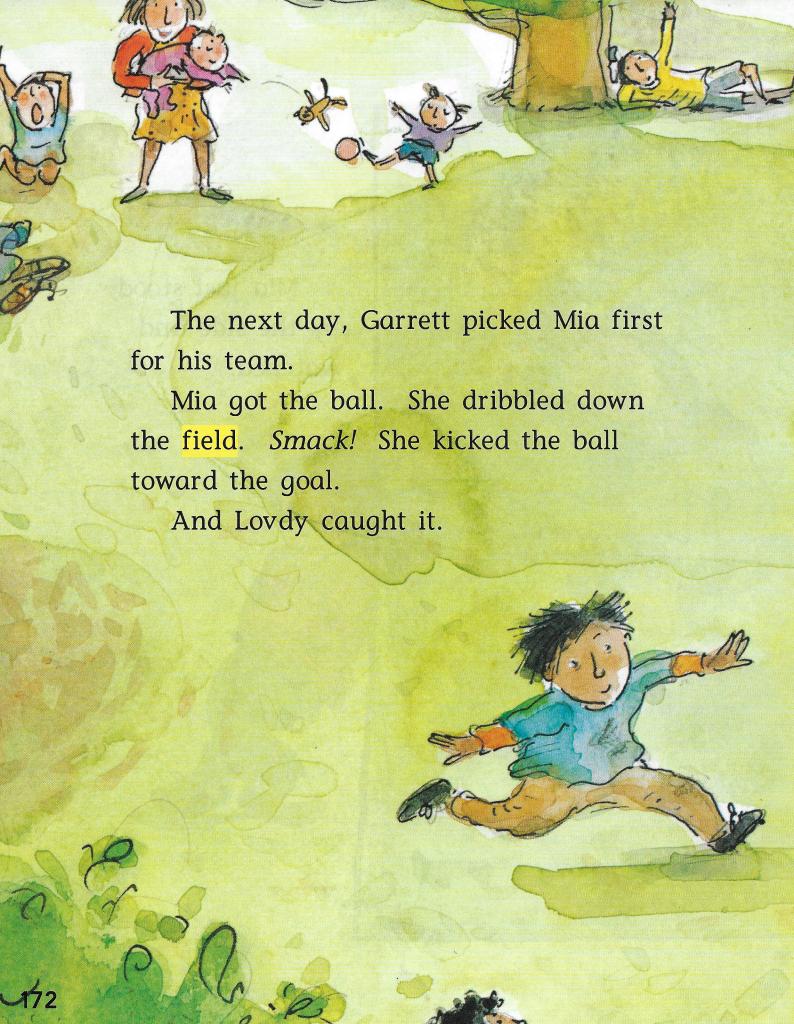
Garrett stopped playing.

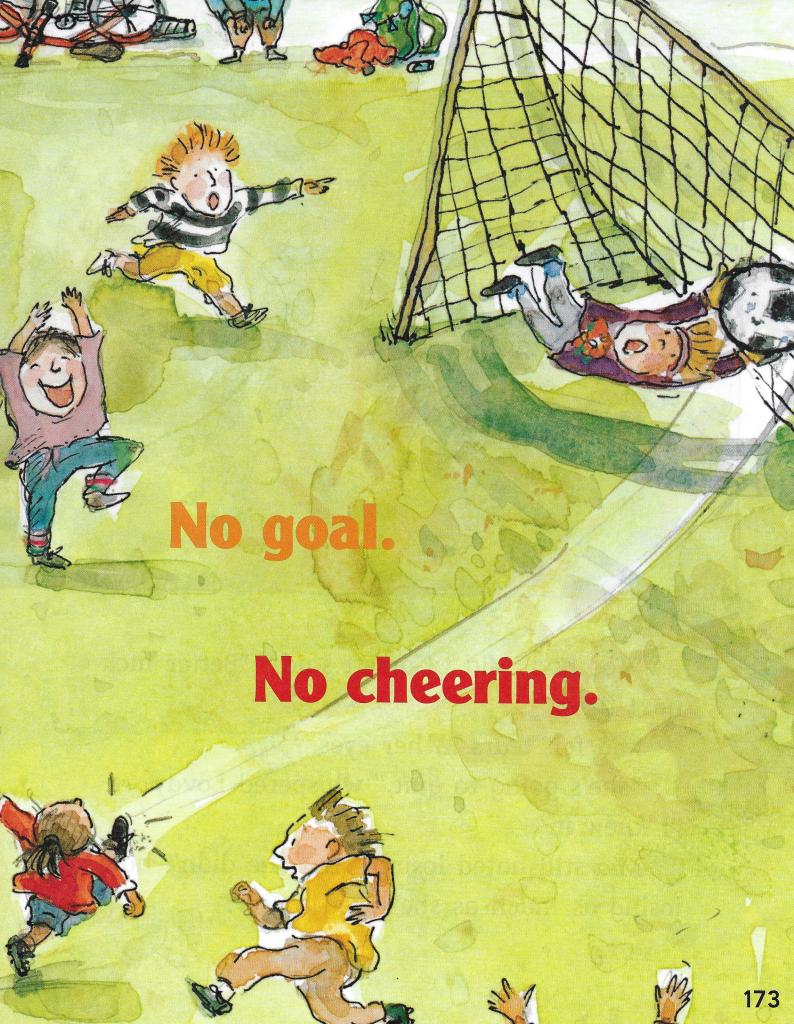
"Sorry, Mia," he said. "But quitters can't play on my team."

"Yeah," said Lovdy. "If you can't learn to lose, you can't play."











"Too bad, Mia," Garrett said. "Better luck next time."

Mia felt tears in her eyes.

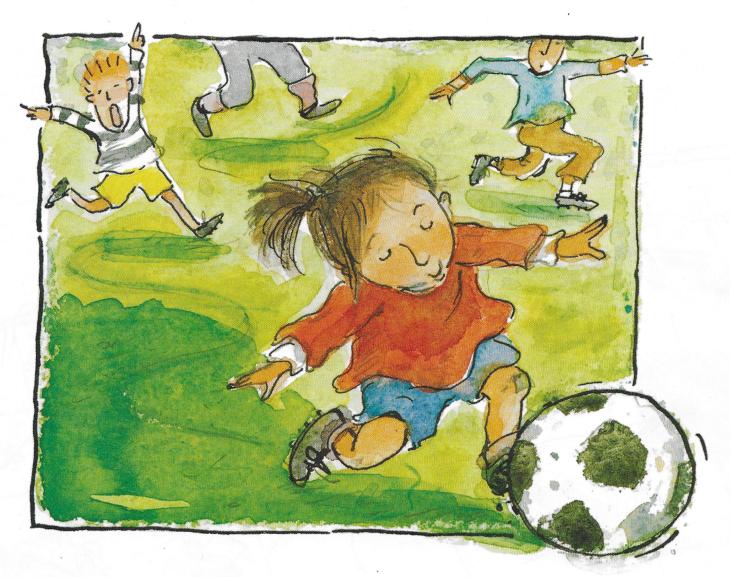
"She's going to quit," whispered Lovdy.
"I knew it."

Mia still hated losing. But she didn't hate losing as much as she loved soccer.

"Ready to play?" asked Garrett. Mia nodded.

Garrett grinned at her. He passed her the ball.

Mia ran down the field. Tap, tap, tap with her toes. The ball stayed right with her, like a friend. She got ready to kick it into the goal.





Mia kicked the ball as hard as she could.

Maybe she'd score the goal. Maybe she wouldn't.

But she was playing.

And that was more important than winning or losing . . .

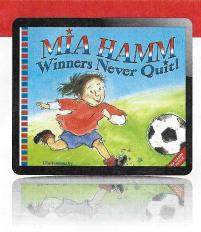
because winners never quit!



### **ANALYZE THE TEXT**

Main Idea and Details What is the main idea of the selection? What do the characters do to show the main idea?

### **Q** BE A READING DETECTIVE



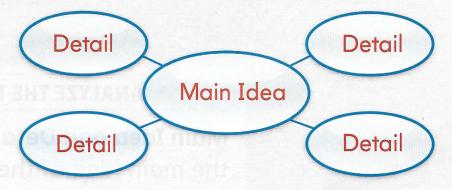
# Dig Deeper



Use Clues to Analyze the Text
Use these pages to learn about Main Idea
and Details and Narrative Nonfiction. Then
read Winners Never Quit! again.

### Main Idea and Details

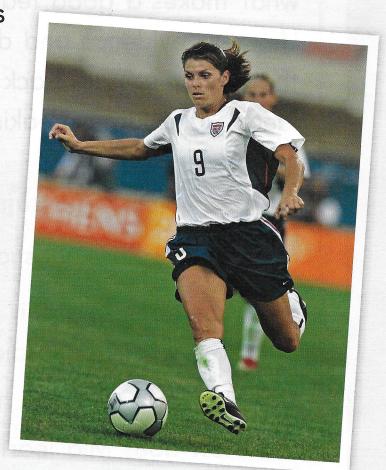
Think about the topic, or the one big idea, that Winners Never Quit! is about. What is the main idea the author tells about the topic? The author gives bits of information to tell more about the main idea. What details help you know more about being a good team player? Show the main idea and details in a web.



### **Genre: Narrative Nonfiction**

Winners Never Quit! tells about events in the life of a real person named Mia Hamm. Here she is! Her story has a real setting and gives information. It tells about events in the order that they really happened.

The facts and events are told like a story.
How did the author make Winners Never Quit! a fun way to learn true information about her life?





# Your Turn

### **RETURN TO THE ESSENTIAL QUESTION**



Why is teamwork important in school or sports? Talk about

what makes a good team player.

Use text evidence and details that
the author uses to back up her main
idea. Take turns speaking.





### **Classroom Conversation**

Talk about these questions with your class.

- 1) Why does Mia quit at first? Have you ever felt like she did? What did you do?
- 2 How does Garrett help Mia?
- 3 How does Mia learn that it is better to play than to quit?

### **Performance Task**

### WRITE ABOUT READING



Response Write sentences to tell
Mia why she should not give up.
What advice can you give her?
What text evidence can you use?
First, talk to a partner about your ideas. Then use some of your partner's ideas and your own ideas to make your writing clear.



### **Writing Tip**

Stay on topic. Add details to help explain your ideas.

Lesson 30

### **INFORMATIONAL** TEXT



Be a Team Plaver

**GENRE** 

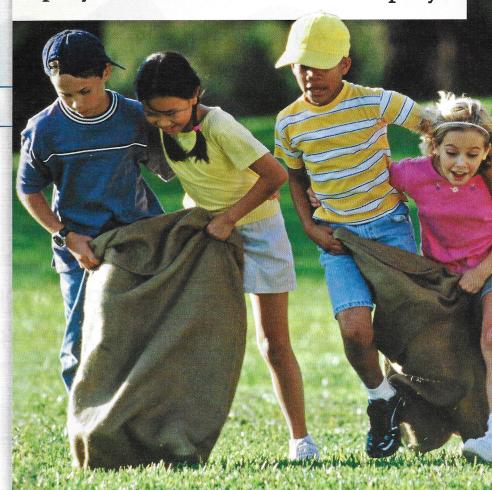
Informational text gives facts about a topic. Find facts about being on a team in this social studies text.

### **TEXT FOCUS**

A checklist is a list of names or things to think about or do. What do you learn from the checklist on p. 184?

Have you ever loved playing on a team? Most people have lots of fun on a team.

All kinds of people play on teams. Sisters and brothers play. Friends and cousins play.



There are all kinds of teams. Some people play baseball or basketball. Some play soccer or volleyball. People may play on a field or on a court.

No matter what kind of team it is, it's important to be a good team player. Try not to feel sorry if you lose a game. Everyone loses sometimes. It's only important to try your best and have fun.



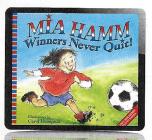
Here is a checklist of things to remember when you play on a team.

## Be a Team Player.

- ✓ Pay attention to the coach.
- ✓ Follow the rules.
- ✓ Do your best.
- ✓ Don't quit.
- ✓ Have fun!









# **Compare Texts**



### **TEXT TO TEXT**

Talk About It What do you need to do when you play on a team? Did Mia become a good team player? Tell why you think so.



### **TEXT TO SELF**

Write a Poem Write a poem about being part of a team. Use words that tell about sights, sounds, and feelings.



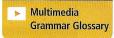
### **TEXT TO WORLD**

Connect to Social Studies Name a time when you need to be a team player.

Draw a picture to show your idea.

Describe it clearly to a partner.





# Grammar

Adjectives That Compare Add er to adjectives to compare two. Add est to compare more than two.



### **Compare Two**

Meg is taller than Jon.

### **Compare More Than Two**

Abe is the tallest goalie of all.



tall taller tallest