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# Who Are Venus And Serena Williams Who Was

Examines the life and accomplishments of Venus and Serena Williams, as well as providing information about their sport of tennis, their home state of California, and their home city of Compton.

An ALA Notable Book “This lovingly crafted picture book biography centers on the incredible bond between Venus and Serena Williams...An important selection for biography and sports collections.” —School Library Journal (starred review)  
“Will appeal to children and

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sports fans of all ages.” —Booklist (starred review) “Wife-and-husband team Cline-Ransome and Ransome celebrate tennis superstars Venus and Serena Williams, focusing on their formative childhoods and the way their preparation and talent fundamentally changed the game.” —The Horn Book (starred review) “Every page is splashed with vibrant color and eye-catching patterns, and the figures of the women themselves are full of energy, speed, and tension.” —Shelf Awareness (starred review) “A beautifully composed biography of the Williams sisters, Serena and Venus...This is one biography that will struggle to stay on the shelf.” —School Library Connection Venus and

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Serena Williams are two of the greatest tennis players of all time. Some say they're two of the greatest athletes of all time. Before they were world famous, they were little girls with big dreams. Venus and Serena Williams. Two peas in a pod. Best friends. Sisters. Six days a week they awoke before the sun came up to practice their serves and returns, to learn to run faster and hit harder. They were unstoppable. At age fourteen, Venus played her first professional match. Three years later, it was Serena's turn. It wasn't easy. Some tennis fans cheered for these two fresh faces, while those who were unhappy to see two black girls competing in a nearly all-white sport booed and

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taunted them. But they didn't let it stop them. With vibrant mixed media art, nonfiction superstars Lesa Cline-Ransome and Coretta Scott King Honor winner James E. Ransome share the inspirational story of two tennis legends who were fierce competitors on the courts, but close sisters above all. Explores the life and tennis career of Serena Williams from the time she began learning the game when she was five to the "Serena Slam"--winning four major tournaments in the years 2002 and 2003.

Profiles the two female African American tennis players, describing the early successes that led them to the Grand Slam, their relationship with each other and their father, and the

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controversial obstacles they continue to face.

Athletes

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On the Line

The Story of Venus and Serena Williams

A stirring picture book biography of Venus and Serena Williams that celebrates their achievements...and their sisterhood. This is the story of two sisters... who took the tennis world by storm, who achieved everything possible in the sport...and then some, and who stood by one another through thick and thin. Featuring illustrations by Ebony Glenn, Jay Leslie's Game, Set, Sisters! The

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Story of Venus and Serena Williams tells the inspirational story of two of the most beloved athletes in history. It takes us from their beginnings on a crumbling Compton tennis court to their shining achievements on the most prestigious stages and shows us that despite being served the most challenging hardships in life—illness, family, loss, racism—Venus and Serena always continued to swing back stronger.

Combining talent, drive, and hard work, Venus Williams has mastered the game of tennis. How will that drive serve her off the court in her post-tennis

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career? For inspiration, Venus turned to an esteemed group of business leaders, politicians, and acclaimed artists, all of whom previously played competitive sports, and asked the essential questions: What principles that inspired you toward success as an athlete are helpful in life? In business? Here, that A-list group of visionaries responds with a useful array of tips woven through anecdotes from their athletic pasts that have been instrumental in their post-sports success. Venus also reflects on what she has learned from her own coaches, including her parents, and how their wisdom

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contributes to her own remarkable achievements.

Describes the lives and careers and the tennis stars and sisters, discussing their Grand Slam wins, Olympic success, trend-setting, and rivalry.

Celebrated picture book biographer Jeanette Winter shares the story of champion tennis players—and sisters—Venus and Serena Williams. Before they were famous tennis stars, Venus and Serena Williams were sisters with big dreams growing up in Compton, California. In the early mornings, they head to the tennis courts, clean up debris,



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and practice. They compete in their first tournament and they both win. From there, the girls' trophy collection grows and grows. Despite adversity and health challenges, the sisters become two of the greatest tennis players of all time. This inspiring story of sisterhood, hard work, and determination is perfect for budding athletes or any young reader with a big dream.

Sisters and Champions: The True Story of Venus and Serena Williams

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Come to Win

Business Leaders, Artists,

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Doctors, and Other Visionaries on How Sports Can Help You Top Your Profession

The tennis superstars talk about their lives, including what it takes to be successful, how they spend their money, dating, studying, and dealing with pressure.

Venus and Serena Williams have dominated the tennis scene for years--winning numerous Grand Slam singles titles to become the first- and second-ranked tennis players in the world. Venus is known for her 127-mile-per-hour serve and her graceful agility on the court. Serena is known for her aggressive court style and fashion flair. By focusing on their dreams

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and steering clear of the drugs and gang violence that permeated their youth, the Williams sisters have shown the world that two inner-city African Americans can not only make a name for themselves in the predominantly white, upper-class sport of tennis, but they can also raise the level of the game. As millions have watched their success on court, Venus and Serena Williams have ensured that tennis will never be the same.a"

Shares the story of the sisters and tennis stars, including their special relationship as sisters and best friends, their constant training as children, and their incredible success in professional tennis.

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"Describes the lives of tennis stars Serena and Venus Williams from birth to becoming champions"--

Williams Sisters: A Biography of Venus and Serena Williams

Tennis Champions

Different Strokes

Serena, Venus, and the Unfinished Black Tennis Revolution

*Venus And Serena sexy photos like no one ever seen them before!*

*The fascinating, "upfront and unapologetic" (Kirkus Reviews) memoir of Richard Williams, a businessman, tennis coach, and father to two of the greatest athletes and professional tennis*

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*champions of all time—Venus and Serena Williams. Born into poverty in Shreveport, Louisiana in the 1940s, Richard Williams was blessed by a strong, caring mother who remained his lifelong hero, just as he became a hero to Venus and Serena. From the beginning of his life, Richard's mother taught him to live by the principles of courage, confidence, commitment, faith, and love. He passed the same qualities on to his daughters, who grew up loving their father and valuing the lessons he*

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*taught them. "I still feel really close to my father," says Serena. "We have a great relationship. There is an appreciation. There is a closeness because of what we've been through together, and a respect." A self-made man, Williams has walked a long, hard, exciting, and ultimately rewarding road during his life, surmounting many challenges to raise a loving family and two of the greatest tennis players who ever lived. Black and White is the extraordinary story of that journey and the*

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*indomitable spirit that made it all possible.*

*Read the fascinating and inspiring story of how the Williams family has shaken up the often stodgy world of professional tennis.*

*Traces the lives and athletic careers of the two sisters who are both champion tennis players whose skills on the court, sense of style, and strong opinions have changed the sport.*

*Black and White*

*Sisters*

*A Biography*

*Who Are Venus and Serena Williams?*

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*Traces the lives and tennis careers of Venus and Serena Williams, sisters who turned professional as teenagers and rose to the top of women's tennis while maintaining a strong family bond. One of the biggest stars in tennis, Serena Williams has captured every major title. Her 2009 Australia Open championship earned her the #1 world ranking for the third time in her illustrious career - and marked only the latest exclamation point on a life well and purposefully lived. As a young girl, Serena began training with an adult-sized racquet that was almost as big as her. Rather than dropping the racquet, Serena saw it as a challenge to overcome-and she has confronted every obstacle on her path to success with the same unflagging spirit. From growing up in the tough, hardscrabble neighborhood of Compton, California,*



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*to being trained by her father on public tennis courts littered with broken glass and drug paraphernalia, to becoming the top women's player in the world, Serena has proven to be an inspiration to her legions of fans both young and old. Her accomplishments have not been without struggle: being derailed by injury, devastated by the tragic shooting of her older sister, and criticized for her unorthodox approach to tennis. Yet somehow, Serena always manages to prevail. Both on the court and off, she's applied the strength and determination that helped her to become a champion to successful pursuits in philanthropy, fashion, television and film. In this compelling and poignant memoir, Serena takes an empowering look at her extraordinary life and what is still to come.*

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*The days of tennis as a country club sport for the aristocracy have long passed, as have the pre-Open era days when black players faced long odds just to be invited to the four Grand Slam events. An entire generation of sports fans has grown up seeing Venus and Serena Williams as the gold standard in American professional tennis. Although the Williams sisters have done more than any other players to make tennis accessible to a diverse population, it's not as if the tennis revolution is over. When you watch tennis next, take a close look at the umpire, the person sitting in the high chair of authority at courtside. Look at the tournament referee and the tournament director, the officials who run the tournament. In those seats of power and influence, blacks are still woefully*

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*underrepresented. Different Strokes chronicles the rise of the Williams sisters, as well as other champions of color, closely examining how African Americans are collectively faring in tennis, on the court and off. Despite the success of the Williams sisters and the election of former pro player Katrina Adams as the U.S. Tennis Association's first black president, top black players still receive racist messages via social media and sometimes in public. The reality is that while significant progress has been made in the sport, much work remains before anything resembling equality is achieved. Watch a book trailer. Presents the lives and tennis careers of the two African American sisters whose unusual training by their father and striking appearances, as well as their remarkable skills at the sport,*

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*have made them standouts in the tennis world.*

*The Smashing Sisters*

*Serena and Venus Williams Tennis Stars*

*Game Changers*

*Sexy Photo Booklet*

Serena and Venus Williams have captured the attention of the tennis crowd. This title contains photographs, their statistics and a list of career highlights for the sisters.

Venus and Serena are sisters, arch rivals, and best friends who have reached the top and become champions in women's tennis.

A riveting chronicle of trailblazing tennis champion and cultural icon Serena

Williams's turbulent 2019 tour season and a revealing portrait of who she is, both on and off the court. Serena Williams is an undisputed global sports celebrity. Ranked #12 on ESPN's 2018 World Fame 100 list of popular athletes, thirty-seven-year-old

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Serena Williams is the only female in the top 20, and she's one of the highest paid athletes in the world. The face of women's tennis for the past two decades, Serena is now waging battles on multiple fronts—against age, injuries, and opponents almost twenty years her junior, all while juggling her responsibilities as a new mom. *Seeing Serena* is an in-depth chronicle of Serena Williams' return to tennis after giving birth to her daughter, and an insightful cultural analysis of the most consequential female athlete of her time. Author Gerald Marzorati shadows her through her 2019 season, from Melbourne and the Australian Open, to Roland-Garros and Wimbledon, and on to the US Open as she seeks her 24th Grand Slam singles title. He writes about her tennis and her forays into fashion, investing, and developing her personal brand on social media. *Seeing Serena*

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illuminates Williams's singular status as the greatest women's tennis player of all time and—in a moment when race and gender are the most talked-about topics in America and beyond—a pop icon like no other. Marzorati is on the scene, observing her matches, and talking to her, her coach, her competitors, and former greats who have witnessed her for years. He observes her, listens to her, studies her, explores her roles in society and history—sees Serena fully, in all the ways she has come to matter.

A sports memoir from the man who coached the Williams sisters to tennis stardom explains the techniques and teaching tools he employed to make Venus and Serena household names.

On the Court With... Venus and Serena Williams

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The Sisters of Tennis

Seeing Serena

The Williams sisters have been close since growing up together on the tough streets of southern California. But when Venus and Serena face each other on the tennis court, they each play to win. With their amazing talent and star power both on and off the court, the Williams sisters are among the biggest celebrities in the sports world. They're also two of the best tennis players to ever set foot on a court. Learn more about Venus and Serena's incredible journey to the top of the tennis world.

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"The gripping story of Richard Williams, the father who raised and trained two of the greatest women in sports, Venus and Serena. He achieved greatness in spite of hardship and disadvantages to become a successful businessman, family man and tennis coach"--

Introduces the achievements of Venus and Serena Williams, from their childhood and early careers in tennis to their tournament wins and their roles as competitors and sisters.

ABOUT THE BOOK Venus and Serena Williams took the world by storm when they



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burst onto the tennis scene in the 1990s. Their rise to stardom marked the realization of their father's dream. Richard Williams had dreamt his daughters would be professional tennis players, even before they were born. We could probably could imagine what his wife thought when he ran into the room and said to her, "Let's have kids and make them tennis players," especially when she wasn't even pregnant with them yet, from what he told Newsweek. Even when the Williams sisters were just under 5 years old, Mr. Williams recognized his daughters' raw talent. It

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took sheer determination and dedication from his little princesses to will them into tennis. Even though he didn't quite know how he was going to teach them, he knew he had to start somewhere.

**MEET THE AUTHOR** Grace C.

Williams is the Vice-President on the Board of Directors of GuidingLight. Growing up, her family always strongly believed in working in the community and giving back which is why she is also on the Board of Directors of RMSC Foundation in South Carolina. Ms. Williams studied at Troy State University where she holds a Bachelors degree in Communication Studies and

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working on her a Masters Degree at University of Maryland University College with a concentration on Public Relations. Ms. Williams has worked with nonprofit organizations for over 15 years and started her own small consulting services, GAW Consulting in 2001. She is currently working on her own new nonprofit organization called "Servicing our Sisters(SOS)." EXCERPT FROM THE BOOK In 1997, Venus became the first unseeded U.S. Open women's finalist in the Open era. She lost to Martinia Hingis. In 2000, Williams won both Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, paving

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the way for her to get a \$40 million contract with Reebok. Venus then went out and defended her titles. At the 2000 Olympic Games, in Sydney, Australia, Williams captured the gold medal in the singles competition, and then took a second one with Serena in the doubles event. In recent years, Venus has struggled with injuries - she competed in only a handful of tournaments in 2006 - but returned in 2007, winning the singles title at Wimbledon. She repeated the victory a year later when she defeated Serena for a fifth career Wimbledon championship, placing her fifth all-time in women's

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Wimbledon singles championships. A few months later, the Williams sisters teamed up to capture the doubles title at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. Buy a copy to keep reading!

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Grand Slam Sisters

The Way I See It

Venus & Serena Williams, 3rd Edition

Traces the lives and tennis careers of sisters Serena and Venus Williams. Describes the lives of the two African-American sisters who stunned the professional tennis world with their rapid rise to the top.

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**Profiles the lives and careers of the sisters who have had sensational success in the world of professional tennis, looking at their childhoods, professional achievements, and interests outside of tennis.**

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**--Chicago Tribune A 2019**

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**time! Venus and Serena**

**Williams: Best friends.**

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**Sisters. Champions.**

**Everyone knows the names Venus & Serena Williams. They've become synonymous with championships, hard work, and with shaking up the tennis world. This inspirational true story, written by award-winning sports journalist, Howard Bryant, and brought to beautiful life by Coretta Scott Kind Award and Honor winner, Floyd Cooper, details the sisters' journey from a barely-there tennis court in Compton, CA, to Olympic gold medals and becoming the #1 ranked women in the**

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sport of tennis. Here is a worthy ode to Venus and Serena Williams, the incredible sister duo who will go down in history as two of the greatest athletes of all time.

"Alive with warmth and movement, these luminous, soft-edged scenes portray the sisters gradually growing into strong, capable women. A handsome sports biography."

--Booklist "There is a sharp focus in the book on the two sisters' special bond and friendship; it lies at the heart of this biography, and the women's



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**stories are remarkable.**

**It's high time they had their own picture book tribute."--Kirkus**

**My Seven Years as Hitting Coach for the Williams Sisters**

**Game, Set, Sisters!**

**Venus and Serena Williams Sisters in Arms**

An addition to a biography series describes the lives and careers of the two African-American sisters who have had sensational success in the world of professional tennis.

Traces the lives and tennis careers of Venus and Serena Williams, sisters who turned professional at age fourteen and rose to the top of women tennis while maintaining a strong

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family bond.

Tennis instruction and brief history of the game from two of the best-known pros. Provides special attention inclusiveness of the modern game.

Introduces the lives and accomplishments of two African American sisters who rose to the top of women's professional tennis.

Learn how to Play Tennis with the Williams Sisters

Serena Williams

The Grand Slam Williams Sisters

How to Play Tennis

**Provides an up-close look at these talented and celebrated tennis stars who rose to fame so quickly due to their amazing skills and**

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determination to be the  
best in their field.

Original.

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