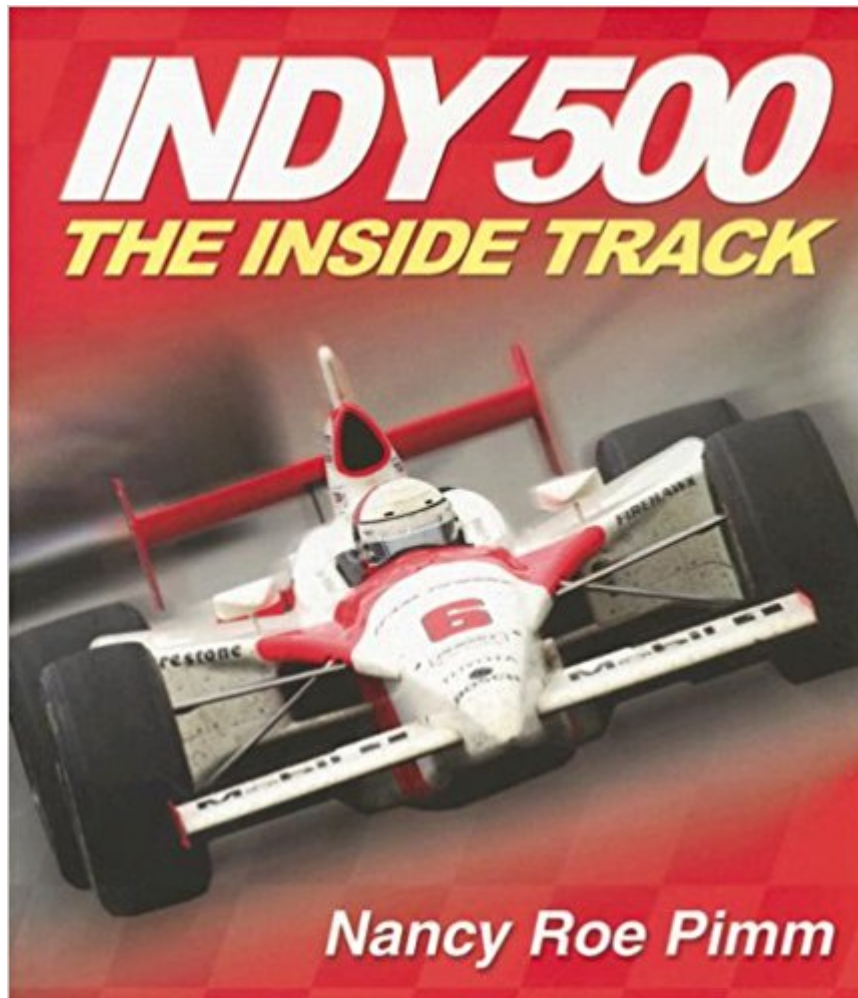




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Synopsis

Every year the world's greatest athletes compete in events that crown a champion. In baseball, it's the World Series. In football, it's the Super Bowl. In soccer, it's the World Cup. For auto-racing athletes, it's the Indianapolis 500. Every May, drivers from all over the world come to race in the Indy 500. They push themselves and their cars for 200 laps at more than 200 miles per hour. These men and women take sharp turns, fly down straightaways, make pit stops, and zigzag for position. At the end of the day, one driver will take the checkered flag. Only one can be the Indy 500 Champion! Take a spin in the fast lane—the inside track—to find out about the Indy 500! --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

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Gr. 4-7. The wife of a former Indy 500 race-car driver, Pimm conveys trackside excitement and presents the history, traditions, and technology behind the Indianapolis 500 race as she discusses the cars, engines, tires, cockpits, drivers, pit stops, crashes, and flags that young fans might see there. With an illustration or sidebar on each page and a light-gray-and-white checkerboard underlying the text at the top and bottom borders, the pages are colorful but busy. Despite the visual distractions, the informative text is well worth reading. The sidebars, which frequently include photos, are equally informative. The book lacks source notes or an index. It concludes with a glossary, a list of Web sites, and a bibliography that includes interviews with notable racing figures such as Mario Andretti, Rick Mears, and Buddy Rice, who are quoted in the book. The excellent jacket design beckons readers. Carolyn PhelanCopyright © American Library Association. All

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This product is now in paperback and is a fairly easy read to get a young person engaged in a book, even if they don't like reading that much. It looks small and has lots of great photos, so it is easy to get a child to pick it up and get it read. Nice especially for spring break before the Indy 500 race in May, but since those cars race much of the year all over the world, it's a great read for anytime.

Great photos and exciting reading for anyone interested in the Indy 500. Great way to stimulate a boys interest in reading, although girls will like it too.

Indy 500: The Inside Track by Indy 500 by Nancy Roe Pimm includes photography from The Indianapolis Motor Speedway enhancing a text specifically written to engage the interest of young readers ages 9 through 12. An information-packed guideline that teaches young readers about the basic history of the Indianapolis 500 car races, the demands placed upon race car drivers, the mechanical improvements that have made race cars safer and speedier, the meanings of the various flags, and much more, Indy 500 is as fascinating and educational for adults as it is for young people. The no-nonsense narration does not talk down to the reader, and the splendid full-color photographs highlight this engaging introduction to the fast-paced auto racing world.

I never dreamed how caught up in racing I would become when I picked up Nancy's book! It was so fascinating. It's full of interesting facts that kids (and adults) will love. Nancy brought the world of racing into my world--I couldn't put it down. I kept saying, "no way!" The pictures are incredible, too. This book is one your children will want to keep and read over and over! There's just so much to absorb!

I expected a hardcover book to have a little more depth to it. This is recommended reading for a novice racing fan or young kid. I was hoping it would have more depth and detail than it did. If you want a substantive account, this would be best left for a younger reader.

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