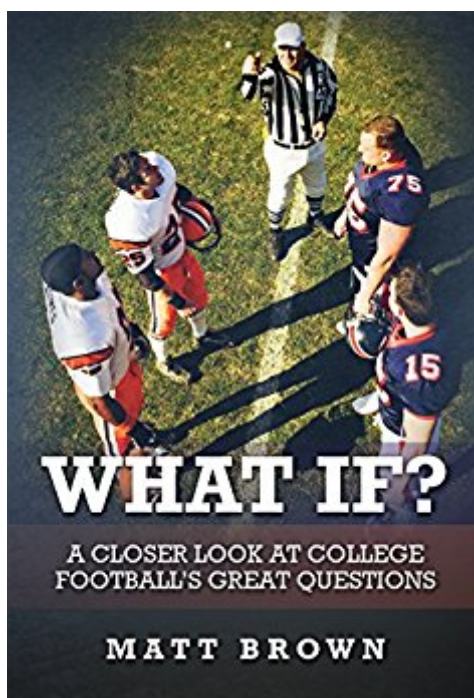


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What If?: A Closer Look At College Football's Great Questions



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We may look up to our favorite sports heroes as gods: powerful, athletic, and able to do no wrong. Yet their fate is in the hands of decision makers who are far from perfect. Nowhere is this truer than in the storied world of college football. One team rises while another falls, not always in proportion to the players' talent--or where their college is located. A place like Tuscaloosa, Alabama, can rise to prominence while Houston falls behind. A tactical mistake can haunt a team for decades, while a chance occurrence, even one that looks like a setback, can provide a surprising boost. What If? incisively yet irreverently examines the history of college football's big decisions, from the Airplane Conference to Chicago's Big Ten departure, from Bear Bryant's stint at Maryland, to college football's most unlikely dynasty, sharing many stories and pointing out the merits and drawbacks of pivotal decisions along the way.

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This book is thorough, interesting, and funny. If you're a casual college football fan, a fanatic, or

somewhere in between, you'll love this book. Matt Brown does a great job of presenting college football history and its ramifications throughout the sport in a way that'll keep you reading.

As a fellow Medill graduate, I can appreciate Matt mentioning the long, storied history of Medill in his book, as well as bringing up some of the greatest "What if's?" in college football history

I learned a lot about the history and whys of football. The book ended with me hoping for more stories. I enjoy reading about the old history of the evolution of football.

good read

A great read about history in the sport and scenarios that could have been. It's funny, well researched, and also mentions my team Notre Dame going 4-8 last year a few times. Sigh. Still though get it and learn about the Chicago Maroons.

This is among the most insightful and thought-provoking college football books that I have read. It's also simultaneously humble and ambitious. It's funny and self-aware and a breeze to read through. It just has some typographical errors and redundant or otherwise out of place words that editing should have caught. Still very much worth the read.

Meh. You can do better. I prefer my snark from someone who actually knows what he's talking about.

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