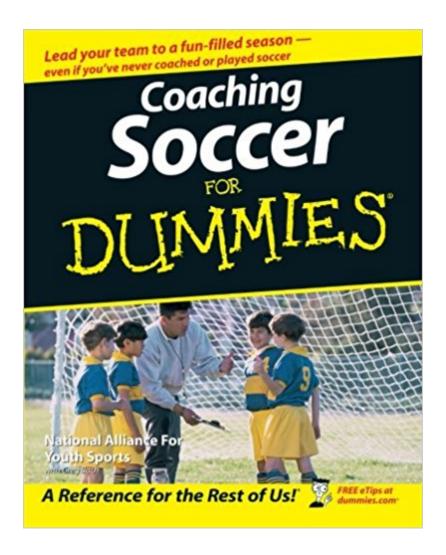


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The National Alliance For Youth Sports provides a wide range of programs for coaches, administrators, officials, parents, and young athletes. Greg Bach is the Director of Communications for the Alliance.

This review is on the Kindle version of the book, and only on the Kindle version. The book is advertised as both 378 pages in print length and has "mini edition" in the title. Apparently, someone doesn't know that when you truncate a book, you say it's abridged! But why would anyone want to reduce the size of a book in digital form. Isn't the whole idea that you're already saving on paper? But apparently, or whoever provides the descriptions doesn't know. I very naively assumed that "mini" was based on the physical size of the book, perhaps a book that is easily carried to a practice for example. But to give you an idea, even before I got out of the intro to the book, 10 percent of the book was already gone. So, basically, the digital form of the book is a ripoff. The actual content of the book is very close to trivial (based on what's there) and can easily be obtained from a well-written "how to" or Wikipedia site. So, save your 99 cents, it's better spent on something more valuable like a deflated ball or a goal with a huge whole in the netting.

Perfect for learning how to coach young players. I bought this to learn how to coach my son's 5-7 year old team this fall. Easy to read and understand. Lots of great diagrams! Teaches you the rules of the game, as well as provides many great drills to use and how to deal with parents. Highly recommend!

Having become a convert of the game by watching the English Premier League over the past few months, I was looking for something that might explain some of the basics, as in rules and strategies. Although this book does not really cover any of the rules per se, it does provide a concise yet thorough manual for coaches. Having been an ice hockey coach for over twenty years, I was familiar with a lot of what was presented here, especially the parts that offer advice on how to best deal with parents. (That's usually half the battle right there!) Everything written here is spot on regarding that subject. After that, we're given some valuable pointers for teaching the game, dealing with kids and their varying skill levels and attitudes, etc. As the mini-book continues, we read about positions, learn some drills, and just as importantly what the purpose of these drills are. The author also pushes the importance of the kids' learning and developing, in addition to having fun at the same time. Having attended numerous coaching seminars over the years, this mini-book should be a must-read for all coaches of any youth sport. There's a ton of great advice and tips crammed into such a small book!

This book (in Kindle form) is brief. Not brief as in concise. Brief as in utterly lacking content. It seems to be missing most of its pages. You will get more information from the first hit on a web search.

You'll get more from reading the "look inside" of the print version. I was excited when I bought it, seeing an incredible price and all the positive reviews. I think they must be for the paper version. I can't imagine anyone gave a positive review to the Kindle mini edition I got.

I've been coaching kids in some sport for 15 years now. Soccer was pretty new to me when I bought this book. It has a lot of intro to coaching in general, which of course it has to have, so that's good. But I was looking for a little more soccer specific. It was definitely a good book, and I learned things for sure. If you are new to coaching or new to soccer this is absolutely a book you should buy. But you will want to do a lot of observing of what other successful coaches are doing and copy them once you know the basics

I got this because I was just informed that I was coaching my daughter's team. I have never played organized soccer so I was in a panic. There is enough quick information in this book to get a coach started and maybe even give them a little confidence.

Bought the book because I managed to get volunteered to coach my sons soccer team. I had no idea how to coach or even how to play soccer by the rules. A quick reading of the book was a great help.

When you see "Coaching Soccer For Dummies", it's possible to question how ligit could it be? Well, the book teaches everything necessary to guide a team of any age & any skill set. Ever wonder of how interact with a difficult parent at the field? This book helps with that too! Totally worth it whether you coach beginners or have numerous amounts of years under your belt, professionally. A great book to have if you're a Soccer Coach and want to succeed!

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