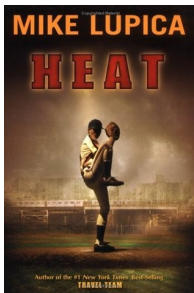


# TOP FIVE FRIDAY

## BASEBALL STORIES

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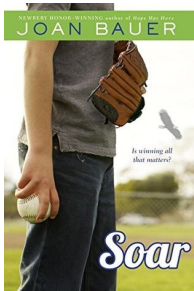


### Heat by Mike Lupica

YA LUPICA, CDB, ebook

Michael is a pitching prodigy and newly orphaned after his family's escape from Cuba. When rival coaches begin to wonder how a twelve-year-old can pitch like Michael, he and his brother must hide from social services to avoid being sent to foster care.

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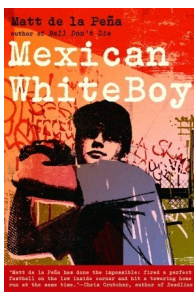


### Soar by Joan Bauer

YA BAUER JOAN, CDB

Baseball is Jeremiah's favorite sport. When he's told he can no longer play due to his health, he decides to do the next best thing and become a coach. There's just one problem: Jeremiah's new town is about to give up on their championship baseball team.

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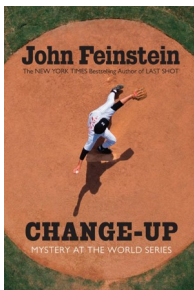


### Mexican WhiteBoy by Matt de la Peña

YA PENA, ebook

Danny can pitch better than anyone, but no one expects much else from him. Everyone thinks they know who he is just because he's half-Mexican. That's why he's spending the summer with his dad's family, searching for his identity on the baseball fields of San Diego.

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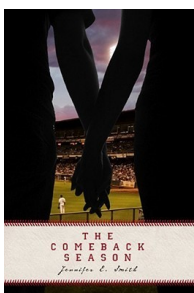


### Change Up by John Feinstein

YA FEINSTEIN, CDB

Teen reporters Stevie Thomas and Susan Carol Anderson are covering the World Series. While interviewing a new pitcher, they discover more than a few contradictions in his life story and decide to investigate to determine if he's hiding a criminal past.

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### The Comeback Season by Jennifer E. Smith

YA SMITH, ebook

Ryan and Nick, both fans of the Chicago Cubs, meet when they skip school to go to Wrigley Field on opening day. They quickly begin to fall for each other, but their new relationship becomes difficult when Ryan discovers that Nick is seriously ill.