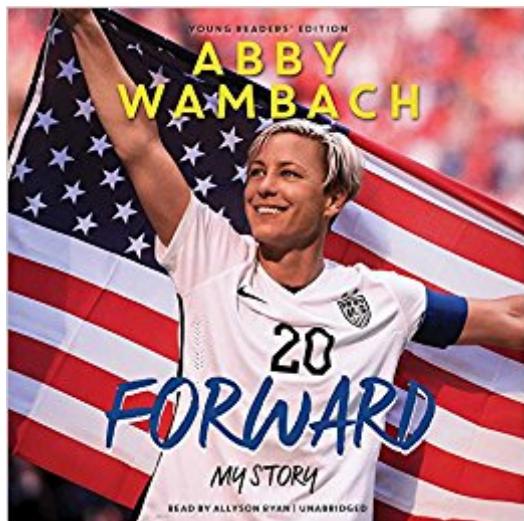


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# Forward, Young Readers' Edition: My Story



## Synopsis

[Children's Fiction (Ages 8-12)][Read by Allyson Ryan] Abby Wambach has always pushed the limits of what is possible. Named by Time magazine as one of the most influential people of 2015, the iconic soccer player captured the nation's heart when she led her team to its recent World Cup Championship. Admired for her fearlessness and passion, Abby is a vocal advocate for women's rights and equal opportunity, pushing to translate the success of her team to the real world. She has become a heavily requested speaker to a wide range of audiences, from college students to executives at Fortune 500 companies. In *Forward*, Abby recounts her own decisions, wins, losses, and the pivotal moments that helped her become the world-class athlete and leader she is today. Wambach's book goes beyond the soccer field to reveal a soulful person grappling universal questions about how we can live our best lives, and become our truest selves. Written with honesty and heart, *Forward* is an inspiring blueprint for individual growth and a rousing call to action.

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## Customer Reviews

Abby Wambach is an American soccer player, coach, two-time Olympic gold medalist, FIFA Women's World Cup Champion, and the 2012 FIFA World Player of the Year. A six-time winner of the US Soccer Athlete of the Year award, Wambach was a regular on the US women's national soccer team from 2003 to 2015, earning her first cap in 2001. She currently stands as the highest all-time scorer for the national team and holds the world record for international goals for both female and male soccer players with 184 goals.

My child loves soccer and Abby. She loved the book.

This was a quick read and I enjoyed it very much. I didn't know much about women's soccer prior to the World Cup a few years ago, so much of Abby's Pro career and certainly her high school/college days I wasn't aware of. I found it very interesting learning about Abby personally and professionally. Her brutal honesty must have been hard but freeing to write about and I applaud her for being so open. It seems like our "heroes" must be perfect and if not, then they are not our heroes anymore. Abby is a human and is also a soccer and feminist hero. Yes, you can be both. Thank you Abby!

I purchased this as a gift for my young niece, who is an avid soccer player and a big fan of Abby. The description said a signed poster would be included - it was NOT. The cover also had a tear. I did not order a used copy. Although the content is fine, the product I received was certainly not what I was hoping to give as a gift.

I bought this book for my 10 year old daughter as it is "the young readers version". My daughter loves the game of soccer and we love inspirational stories. However, in my opinion, 2 chapters dedicated to Abby's lesbian secret and her lesbian relationship is a bit much for a young reader. Would these chapters be included if she were in a heterosexual relationship? While this is now part of life and education and understanding is necessary for our children, I really don't want my 10 year daughter reading about Abby's coming out.

Can't talk about soccer without going into her lesbian life. Really?

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