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The Smart Guide To Soccer

(NAPSA)—A new book may give soccer fans even more to cheer about. It highlights the stories and events that surround the soccer world and add to the drama of the most popular global sporting event: the World Cup.



More than just a browser's delight, the book, called "The Thinking Fan's Guide to the World Cup: 32 Writers on 32 Countries" (Harper Perennial, \$13.95), is an entertain-

ing, informative introduction to the countries, players and teams of World Cup 2006.

Thirty-two leading writers, novelists and journalists from around the world contribute original pieces of reporting and memoirs that offer insight into the 32 qualifying nations in the competition.

This ultimate sourcebook contains the information fans of all levels need—including results from past tournaments, player and team statistics—and tables that illuminate how the nations compare in a variety of social and economic categories. The book is a unique guide for the curious fan with a passion for soccer—and an interest in everything else.

For more information, visit www.harpercollins.com.