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Hockey night in Canada: sport, identities and cultural politics

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Abstract : This book examines ice hockey's relationship to various identities and Canadian cultural politics and how these relationships are defined by social history. It begins by exploring the clash between different interpretations of sport and culture in general, and hockey and Canadian culture in particular. This leads to an examination of the history of the struggles surrounding hockey's transformation from a diverse

collection of folk games to the intensely organized form that it has assumed chapters, divided into three parts, investigate the roots of the modern game discuss such elements as the everyday working world of professional hockey small communities, violence in professional and minor leagues, and the pro and pressures on hockey within a growing global marketplace for commerce The analysis draws out the game's associations with identities such as nationalism, consumerism, ethnicity, class, race, and gender, to illustrate the enduring popularity of the game.

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