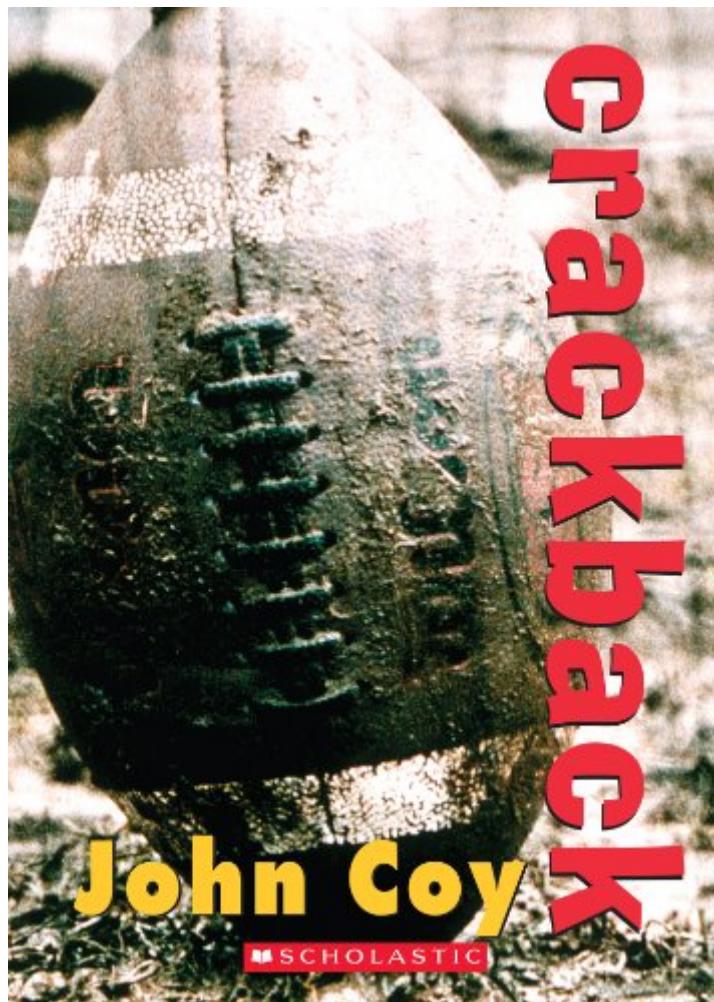


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# Crackback



## **Synopsis**

In his gripping debut novel, acclaimed picture book author John Coy presents the high stakes world of high school football, where doing what it takes to win doesn't always mean doing the right thing. When Miles Manning, a successful high school football player, discovers his teammates are using steroids--and one of them is his best friend--he's faced with a tough decision: Is he willing to do what it takes to win? Football is his life, and his family, especially his dad, is pinning its hopes on him. It's a lot of pressure for a high school junior to bear. This gripping look into the world of high school boys and athletes--and their struggle to be the best--is provocative and searingly honest.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

I loved crackback by John Coy. It is about a teen, Miles Manning, who is a very skilled football player, but when a new coach steps in he has to make very difficult decisions. Some decisions include taking steroids with his best friend, doing things the coach's way, and hanging out with girls. Miles' dad was always very hard on him about football, school, and girls. Later on in the story Miles

is shocked to find out he had an older brother that died as a baby. By telling Miles this, him and his dad become closer to each other. It's the last game of the season and there up by one. Miles is supposed to stay back and cover for the fake, but instead goes for the block and wins the game, sending the Eagles to the playoffs. Even though they won, Coach Stahl is mad because Miles didn't listen and he gets benched for the the playoffs. Usually Miles' dad would yell at him for not listening to the coach, but now he actually sides with miles on this one, and everything turns out well. I highly suggest reading this book.

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I bought this for my classroom - middle school city boys. I read it, and it moves easily and has a nice message about being true to who you are that wraps up well in the end. So far two of my boys have pulled it off the shelf and read it, and they both liked it. That was about all I got from them about it, but it's enough.

I enjoyed this book about the experiences of a high school football player who learns about life.

This is the worst interpretation of high school and height school football! Almost every word the main character says, I can't see any 16 year old saying it! If I wasn't forced to read this book, I would have gladly put it away, and make sure it never sees the light of day!

Really well written book for 12 to 14 year olds. My grandson enjoyed it a lot and asked me to read it too. Characters are well developed and there is good insight into challenges that may confront teenagers regarding self identity, peer pressure, and relationships with their parents and family.

This is an excellent book for teens today to read. It deals with high school football, teenagers and friendships, and problem-solving critical thinking. It was "attention-riveting" as our 14-yr old put it when asked why her chores were not done! If you want your teenager to read a book acceptable by teachers today, I highly recommend this paperback book.

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