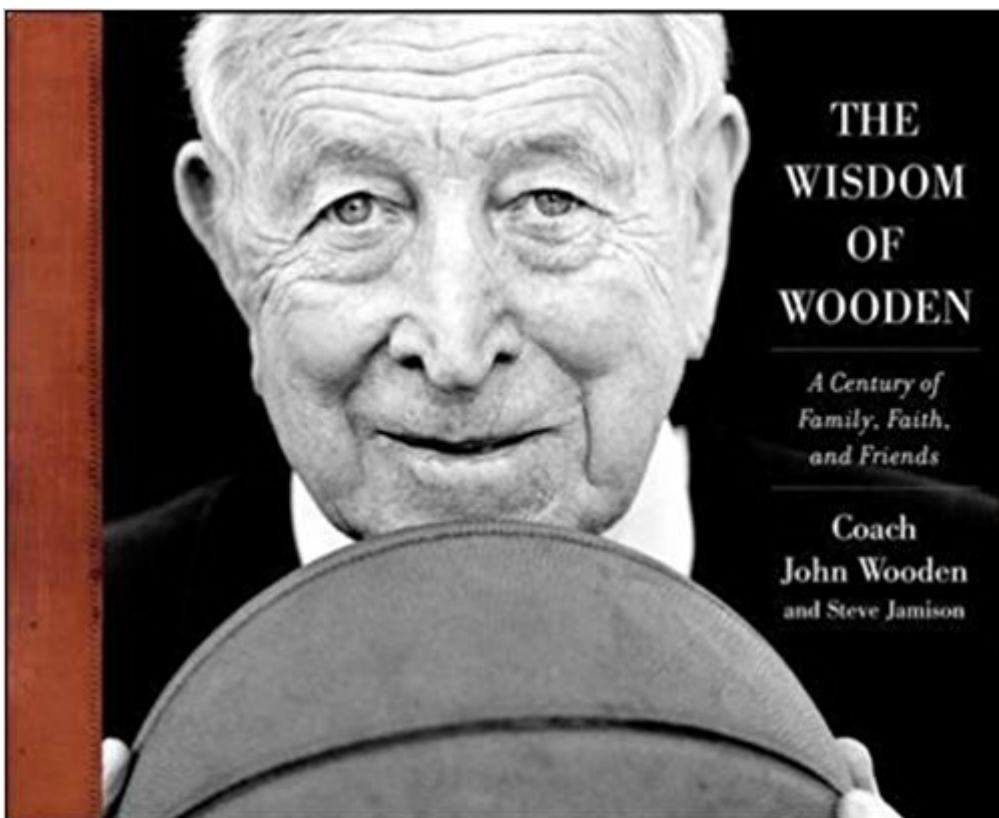


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# The Wisdom Of Wooden: My Century On And Off The Court (NTC Sports/Fitness)



## Synopsis

The Wisdom of Wooden is John Wooden's final book, completed just weeks before his passing in June 2010. In it he shares his most treasured memories and never-before-seen photographs as he looks back on an extraordinary life on and off the court. Hailed by many as the greatest coach in the history of American sports, John Wooden is as famous for his personal philosophy as he is for his career achievements. He inspired, guided, and motivated generations of fans with his bestselling books on leadership, values, family, and the true meaning of success. Coach Wooden wrote his final book, *The Wisdom of Wooden: My Century On and Off the Court*, in the last months before his death. Filled with his most treasured memories and more than 100 photographs, many never-before seen, it captures a life spent teaching, guiding, and serving others. Starting with his father's now-famous 7 Point Creed including "Make Each Day Your Masterpiece," "Help Others," and "Be True to Yourself," Coach Wooden affirms the principles to true success that helped him become an All American at Purdue University, a winning coach at Indiana State University, and an iconic sports figure at UCLA. Yet anyone who knows John Wooden knows his record on the court was only part of the story. In *The Wisdom of Wooden* the legendary coach offers readers a rare glimpse not just behind the scenes but inside the man; not just on the court but in the huddles; not just his maxims but his poems, those he wrote and those he loved; not just the people he inspired, but the family, friends, and fans who inspired him; not just the lessons he taught but the lessons he learned; not just what was on his mind but what was in his heart. Ultimately it was the life he lived that served as a model for his greatest lesson of all: a deep commitment to family, friends, and faith—the bedrock values of the man we all called, "Coach." Praise for John Wooden "The Wisdom of Wooden has given me the life that I have . . . Thanks, Coach, for your faith and patience." Bill Walton "The Wisdom of Wooden is a lifetime of Coach Wooden's ideas on how to live life without sacrificing your moral principles. His life is a prime example of how this can be done--one that we can all learn from." Kareem Abdul-Jabbar "John Wooden sets an example for all of us by constantly striving to be the best in every aspect of his life. Throughout my life, I have found inspiration and direction in the Bible. Today, I also find inspiration and direction in the words of John Wooden." Tom Coughlin, Head Coach, New York Giants "One hundred years—what an amazing life. But here's what's even more amazing about John Wooden and the timeless verities his life has embodied. One hundred years from now they will still be talking about his accomplishments and his approach." Bob Costas "There has

never been a finer man in American sports than John Wooden, or a finer coach."--Sports Illustrated

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John Wooden (1910-2010), guided the UCLA Bruins to ten NCAA basketball championships over a 12-year period, including four perfect seasons and an 88-game winning streak. He was named ESPN's "Greatest Coach of the 20th Century" and voted "#1 Coach of All Time" by The Sporting News. Sports Illustrated said it best when they said: "There's never been a finer man in American sports than John Wooden, or a finer coach." In 2003 John Wooden was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Steve Jamison is America's foremost author and authority on the life and philosophy of John Wooden. Mr. Jamison is a consultant to the UCLA Anderson School of Business' John Wooden Global Leadership Program. He has collaborated with Coach Wooden on an award-winning PBS presentation as well as several books, including the classic book on teaching and mentoring, *Wooden: A Lifetime of Observations and Reflections*.

An amazing summary of Coach Wooden's life, from his humble Indiana beginnings through his 100 years on this earth. Vivid imagery, coupled with his personal accomplishments and the lessons he learned along the way. This was a great read! Perfect for anyone wanting a quick look into Coach Wooden's teachings, philosophy, and belief system.

This charming book celebrates the extraordinary life of coach John Wooden and shares the principles that guided him throughout his career. Contents include the 7 point creed and the two sets of threes from Wooden's father, Wooden's own Pyramid of Success, the Pyramid of Success modified for children, and his Sportsmanship pledge for youngsters. You don't have to be a sports fan to benefit from the collected wisdom and quotes in here. His words are simple, powerful, and sane. Buy this book and read it together with your children, your parents, or your grandparents.

great!

Gives an overview of his life and has lots of great pictures. I should have read the description closer to know it is a short picture filled book. But it is nicely written and I would recommend adding it to your collection. I have been reading all the different books about John Wooden. My Top 3 Are: 1. Wooden On Leadership 2. They Call Me Coach 3. Wooden: A lifetime of observations and reflections on and off the court.

This is a great book written about a man that all of America admired. I have given this book to grandchildren and asked them to read it and let me know what they thought. They all returned with the same thinking....impressive and something they could all put into their own lives. Of course this is not a review, but one would have to read the book to fully understand what this man exemplified.

The greatest coach ever, in any sport and one of the finest men to live in recent times. Nothing really new hear if you've read his other books except a lot of pictures. Definitely worth picking up if you haven't

The book is great but the pages started falling out the first time my husband read it after his birthday. It was after the 30 day return policy so now I have a great book that has pages just laying on the inside.

I am so very Blessed to have had a Dad of the same mold as Coach Wooden. We are "ALL" coaches in one form or another...it is in "Selflessness"...we do our best coaching.

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