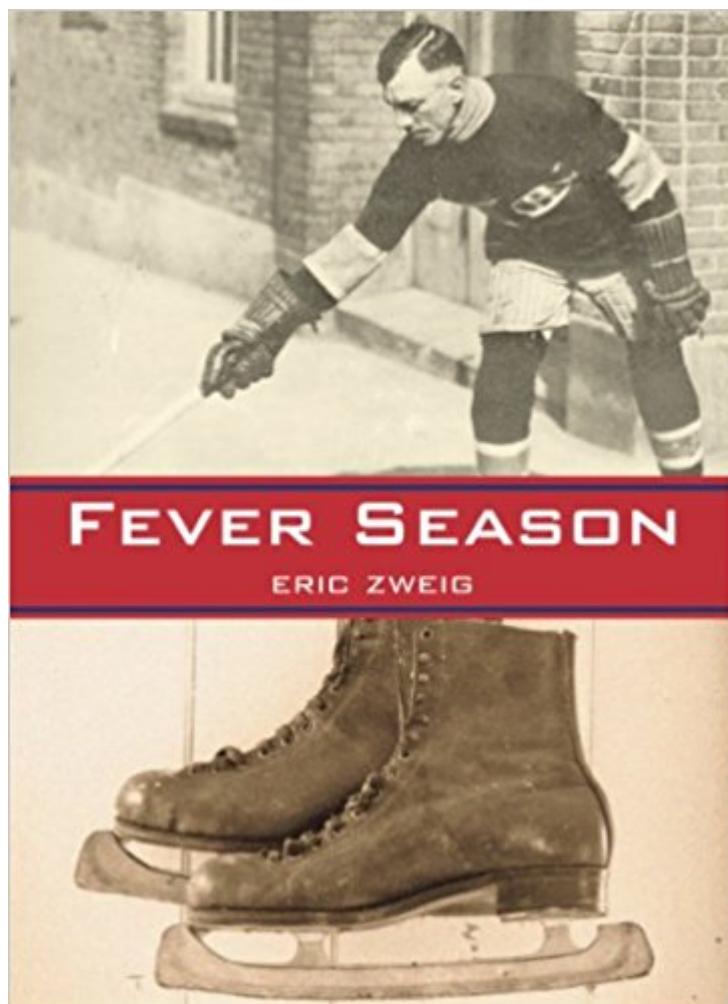


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# Fever Season



## **Synopsis**

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"Fever Season was a nice peak into the past of hockey and what life was like during World War 1 ... With it's lightness and memoir like style, I would definitely recommend to any hockey fan or history buff. 8 of 10. (Flamingnet.com)" Zweig, who lives in Owen Sound, Ont., and has publishing ties to the NHL, has written an informative soft-covered read that moves along at a quick pace. Younger readers, especially early teens, might find it the perfect company while recovering from the flu bug." (Toronto Star, The)" Technically, Fever Season falls under the young adult category. But older readers outside this target market can still read this novel without feeling embarrassed. Zweig's writing is straightforward and respectful to the reader." (Hockey54.com)" Eric Zweig, a sports historian, has written a very readable novel about a time in history that mirrors some of the issues we are facing today. David's friendship with the "tough guy" Joe Hall, who actually died of the Spanish Influenza during the course of the Stanley Cup Playoffs in 1919, will help readers to

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In is early 1919 in Montreal and a deadly outbreak of Spanish Influenza has killed thousands in Canada. Davis Saifert, a thirteen-year-old English Canadian, is alone: his father died fighting in the First World War and his mother and sister were recent victims of the flu epidemic. But he does have a childhood photo of his mother's long-lost brother, who he thinks lives in Seattle. David is certain his Uncle Danny can save him from the orphanage he ends up in, but he has no idea how to locate the man. Then luck strikes when David gets a job with the Montreal Canadiens, who earn the right to play the Seattle Metropolitans in the Stanley Cup playoff, allowing David to travel across the country with the hockey club. What fate awaits the mighty Canadiens on the West Coast? Will David find his uncle? Will he survive the deadly flu?

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large on the WestCoast, can David survive long enough to find his Uncle? Will his beloved team survive the hockey tournament as well? Fever Season was a nice peak into the past of hockey and what life was like during World War I. At first the story was kinda slow, especially when David talked about his childhood; only when he joined the hockey team as a sort of janitor boy, did things start to pick up. The reason I picked up Fever Season was because it was set on Canada. I don't know anything about Canadian history (I didn't even know about the fever), so I thought this book would help. Even though it was probably a bit too juvenile for me, I still enjoyed learning about 20th century Canada and what orphans had to go through during those times. With its lightness and memoir like style, I would definitely recommend to any hockey fan or history buff. For ages 12+ Reviewed by a young adult student reviewer Flamingnet Book Reviews Teen books reviewed by teen reviewers

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