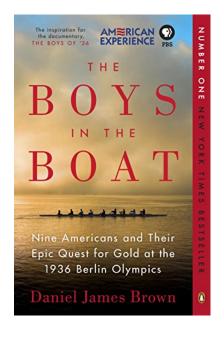
# The Boys in the Boat Book Summary (PDF) by Daniel James Brown

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# Why This Book Matters:

The Boys in the Boat shares how one group of young boys found themselves in the 1936 Berlin Olympics after battling the Great Depression.

### The Big Takeaways:

- 1. A spot on the University of Washington rowing team was something many men wanted, but only a few achieved.
  - 1. If During this time in the Greate Depression, the University of Washington was giving jobs to the few men on the rowing team.
- 2. Rowing is all about teamwork.
  - 1. When picking the team, the coaches had to not only pick the men who were healthy and capable but find the men who worked the best in unison.

- 3. George Pocock provided University of Washington with the tools they needed to become truly successful.
  - 1. Pocock crafted boats that were soon considered some of the best.
- 4. The University of Washington team saw success in their early years, but it was not certain if their success would continue.
  - 1. After the first two years, the success of the team was hard to predict.
- 5. The University of Washington coach was forced to switch things up to push his team to the Olympics.
  - The team that eventually made it to the Olympics had more in common than just their physical ability; they had similar values, which pushed them to success.

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