

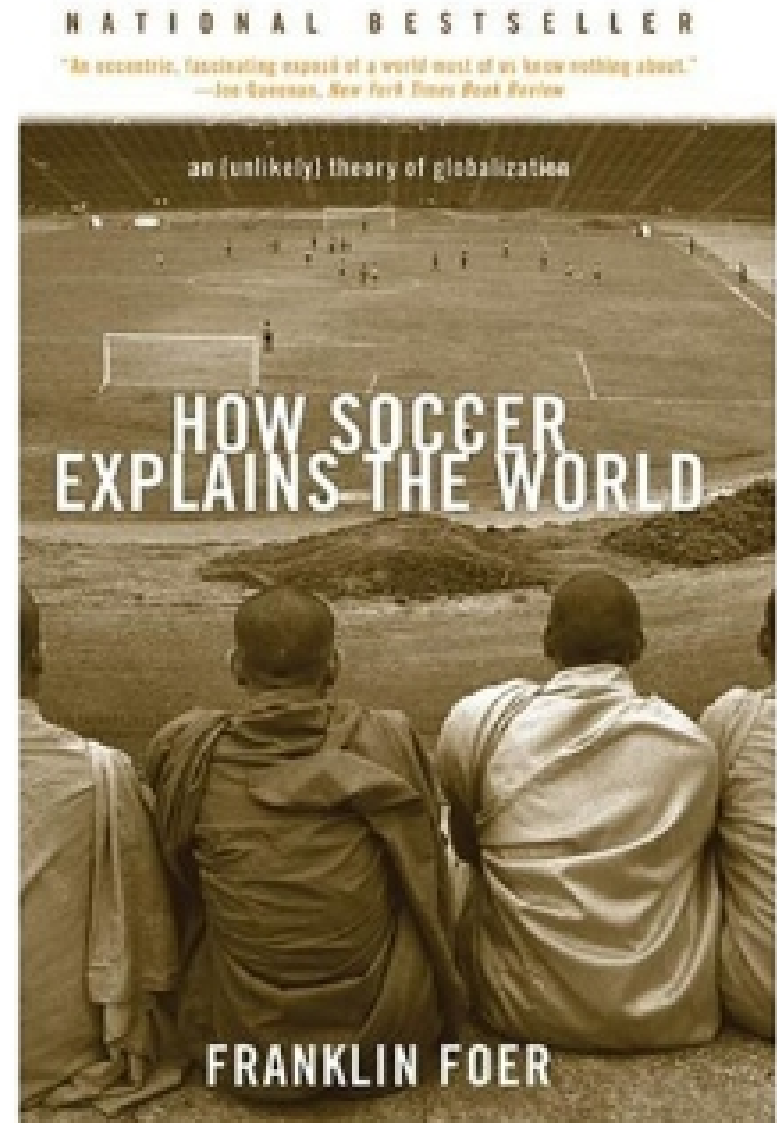
# Sporting the Nation

- Sport and the State
- Sport and Identity
- Sport and the Military
- Sport and Security



# Why do sports matter?

- Ritual and iconography
- Inherently collective exercise that builds group identities
- Used by states to promote national ideals
- Provide arena for (usually) non-violent inter-state/region/group competition



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