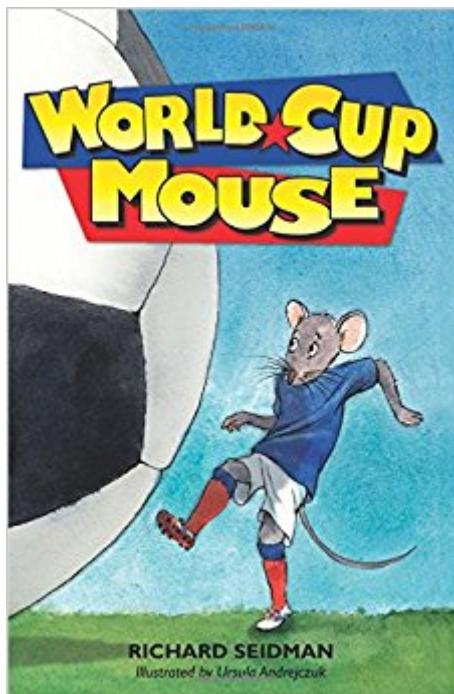


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# World Cup Mouse



## **Synopsis**

"Where there's a mouse, there's a way," says Louie LaSurie. But it will take more than lofty words for Louie to achieve his goal: to be the first mouse to play for France in the World Cup soccer tournament. Can Louie do it? Find out in this fun book for 7 to 10 year-olds.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

" If you're a fan of Reepicheep, the fighting mouse in the Narnia Chronicles, Louie LaSurie, the star of World Cup Mouse, will become one of your best friends." ~ Michael O'Rourke, Producer Shadow FX Films."Louie's story is funny and sweet in a way with which both kids and adults can easily connect... Seidman has an easygoing style that doesn't talk down to his young readers." - Ashland Daily Tidings"The story has drama, adventure, and sports. All things that will interest a young boy and delight even the reluctant reader." - Book Reviews by Tima"A refreshing new book about love of the game, determination, and friendship." - Novel Nutritious Reviews"This is a gripping, tense and exciting story right to the end." - Children's Web Magazine

You can find out more about me andÂ World Cup Mouse, including a fun World Cup Mouse video, at my author page,Â .com/Richard-Seidman/e/B001IXS50A/ref=dp\_byline\_cont\_book\_1.

I thoroughly enjoyed reading this book myself, and am now reading it again with my soccer-crazed English-as-a-Second-Language students from all over the world. LouieÃ¢Â™s story crosses cultural boundaries using the power of the beautiful game to create intrigue and excitement in the

young reader. This book is a must have for the home bookshelf! Thank you Richard Seidman!

World Cup Mouse is a treat to read, full of humor and heart. I loved Louie LaSurie and his determination, despite so many setbacks and judgements. For anyone who loves soccer, France, and mice you will find yourself shouting, "Allez LaSurie!" In addition, the charming illustrations help to tell the story and add to the humor of a mouse interacting with the human world.

This is a great book to teach kids how to believe in themselves and that nothing is really out of reach. You really start to care for Louie, the mouse, and hope that he doesn't get crushed and gets to play soccer. It's a fun read for all, and not only for soccer fans!

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You have a dream and put all your efforts into making them come true, but everyone seems to keep telling you that it is a pipe dream and to give up and be more realistic. Such is what Louie is having to contend with. One day he sneaks into the Baker's home and he finds his future. From that day forward he decided to train and learn everything he could about the sport of his heart, Soccer. His dream is to become the first mouse to play soccer in the world series. With little encouragement he continues to do all he can to prepare to achieve his dream. When he begins to listen to all the warnings against him a stranger steps out of the shadows to remind him he needs to believe in himself and not to give up on his dreams, something the stranger did and has regretted ever since. Louie is focused and determined once more. Such a wonderful story to teach the reader if you want something bad enough you have to be willing to put all your efforts into obtaining your goal. Although his family laughs at Louie they still help him in some ways even as they tell him he needs to understand that he is dreaming the impossible dream. What they forget is those are the best kind to have. Louie believes in himself and that is what we want to teach our children. World Cup Mouse is the perfect book for that reluctant reader. Once they begin the story itself will keep them from putting it down. It will appeal to both male and female readers. Pick up a copy today!

Hott Synopsis: He may only be two and a half inches tall but Louie has big dreams. He wants to

succeed where so many fail — the World Cup! Using a pea as a ball and making a uniform were small problems but the jeers and teasing from his family and his friends may be more than one mouse can take. Can Louie be the mouse he's meant to be or will he allow them to kill his dream? **Hott Review:** This is a very well written delightful book that is perfect for middle grade boys. It's not too long and has cute pictures — both are perfect encouragements for reluctant readers. The message — working for your dream & believing in yourself — is a great one that all middle graders need to have consistently while going through this trial of growing up. **More** **Author:** Richard Seidman, **AuthorSource:** JKS Communications **Grade:** A **Age:** 7-14

Soccer fans will particularly enjoy this story about a little mouse who wants to play soccer. But the story will inspire everyone who struggles to achieve their dreams. It doesn't matter how small your body is, if you have a big heart. The story has plenty of action, humor, and strong friendship, all leading to a feel-good ending.

Louie has a passion for soccer. But he has some major obstacles that could potentially keep him from becoming part of the team. First he's a mouse. Second he has been practicing with a dried pea. Third he wants to join a team of humans who use a real soccer ball. But life brings unexpected changes for the little French mouse as he learns that he can accomplish anything with enough hard work and determination. The story was precious. My son loved it and the vocabulary was perfect for the target age. The story has drama, adventure, and sports. All things that will interest a young boy and delight even the reluctant reader. But it also has the themes of friendship, sportsmanship, and perseverance woven into the plot. I look forward to seeing more by this author and I know my son will enjoy reading more about Louie. I received this book free of charge from JKS Communications in exchange for my honest review.

The hidden beauty in this little tome is its display of goodness. The hero, his family & friends, players and antagonists present a mirror of our daily lives, especially when we are young & life is more immediate and compelling. Louie is everyboy, captured brilliantly by the author in the character of a determined mouse - unthreatening and seemingly weak, yet ethical & powerful in his love & loyalties. Add skill developed by his keen interest in soccer, and we have a hero! This is us, masked as mouse, making forays into life with a good heart. Things go wrong, but Louie, undaunted, triumphs by remaining true to himself.

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