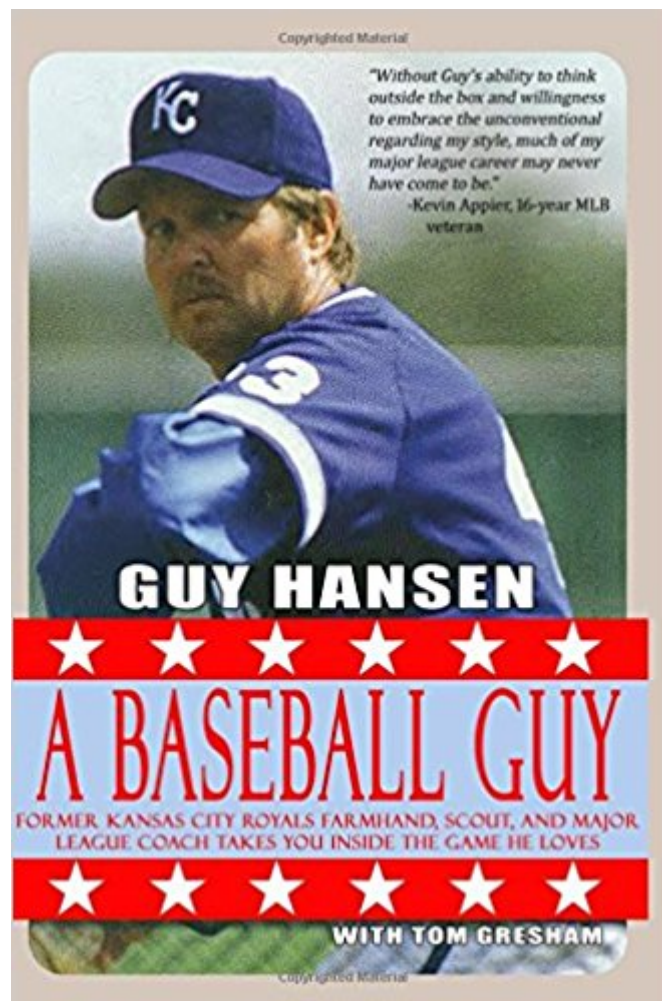


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During his career as a professional baseball scout and coach, Guy Hansen helped sign an impressive roster of future big leaguers, including Bret Saberhagen, Cecil Fielder, Kevin Appier, and Jeff Conine, and coached dozens of the game's best pitchers. In this book, Hansen details the lessons he learned during his decades in the game, including "The Answer," his key to sound pitching mechanics, and tells colorful stories of the players he encountered—stories that will reinforce those lessons. He explains what it was like to see Saberhagen when he was a scrawny high school freshman, how Bo Jackson responded when he brushed him off the plate, how Zack Greinke both amazed and frustrated him, and why the great George Brett told Guy to time him to first base before his final at bat. This book will show you baseball through the eyes of one of the sport's most impassioned and devoted teachers.

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