Assignment #5

READ the following two short essays on issues of gender and sports:


- “‘Man-On’: the Culture of Girls’ Soccer,” by Sally Cole Mooney. This brief essay appears in the 2006 book *Sport, Rhetoric and Gender: Historical Perspectives and Media Representations*. It takes a sociological approach to the differences the author has noticed between the ways girls and boys play soccer.

FOR CLASS DISCUSSION: Both of these pieces reflect on our childhood experiences with sports—Fallows’ more informally, in the manner of an exploratory essay, and Mooney’s more like a sociological or anthropological essay. What rings true in these pieces? What issues does each piece raise? Why do they matter? What interests you the most in these readings?

And: What do you notice about the way these writers make their works interesting and effective—i.e., how do they demonstrate their craft as writers?

ALSO:

- Respond to group members’ drafts
- Print & bring responses to conference, including marked-up essays
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