

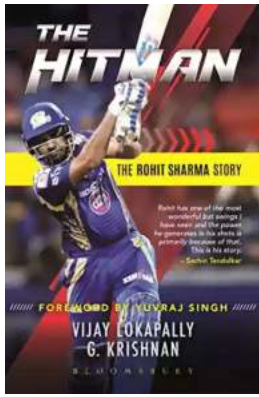
# The Hitman: The Rohit Sharma Story - From Struggles to Success



Rohit Sharma, popularly known as "The Hitman," has etched his name in the record books through his exceptional cricketing skills. From facing a multitude of struggles early in his career to becoming one of the most successful batsmen in the world, Sharma's journey is an inspiring tale that resonates with millions of cricket enthusiasts.

## The Early Days

Born on April 30, 1987, in Nagpur, Maharashtra, Rohit Gurunath Sharma had a modest upbringing. His father worked as a caretaker in a transport firm, while his mother managed the household. Despite their modest means, they always supported Sharma's passion for cricket.



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Sharma's talent was evident from a young age, and he garnered attention by scoring a record-breaking 303 runs in a school cricket tournament. His remarkable performance earned him a scholarship to Swami Vivekanand International School, where he continued to shine with the bat.

At the age of 16, Sharma made his debut for the Mumbai Ranji Trophy team against Gujarat. Though he didn't have an outstanding start to his domestic career, his potential was evident to those who watched him play. His elegance and timing while playing his shots caught the eye of selectors, leading to his selection for the Indian national team.

### Struggles and Breaking Barriers

Sharma's transition to international cricket wasn't seamless, and he had to overcome several hurdles to establish himself. He made his ODI debut against Ireland in 2007 but couldn't leave a lasting impact initially. Critics doubted his ability to perform consistently at the highest level.

Consistency became a pressing concern as Sharma experienced a string of low scores, leading to doubts about his spot in the Indian team. However, a breakthrough innings of 114 against Zimbabwe in 2010 silenced his detractors and announced his arrival on the international stage.

Throughout his career, Sharma faced various setbacks, including injuries and inconsistent form. However, his resilience and determination kept him going, and he continued to work hard to improve his game. It was during this period that he started opening the batting for the Indian team, a move that proved to be a game-changer.

## **Mastering the Art of Batting**

Opening the innings gave Sharma the platform to showcase his true potential. His technique, combined with his natural stroke play and ability to score big runs, made him a force to be reckoned with.

Sharma's crowning glory came during the 2013 Champions Trophy, where he amassed 177 runs against the formidable Australian bowling attack. This knock propelled him to the frontlines of Indian cricket, securing his place as a key player. He continued to set new records, including the highest individual score in One Day Internationals (264 runs against Sri Lanka in 2014).

His splendid batting performances in crucial tournaments such as the ICC World Cup and the Indian Premier League further solidified his reputation as a fierce cricketer. Sharma's ability to perform under pressure and deliver when it matters most has earned him immense respect from teammates, opponents, and cricket aficionados alike.

## **A Role Model for Aspiring Cricketers**

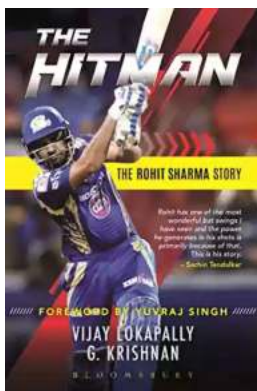
Rohit Sharma's journey from struggling in domestic cricket to becoming a stalwart in the international arena inspires aspiring cricketers worldwide. He has proven that talent, coupled with a strong work ethic and perseverance, can make dreams come true.

Off the field, Sharma also exemplifies humility and sportsmanship. He is known for his calm demeanor and leadership qualities, qualities that have earned him the captaincy role for the Mumbai Indians in the Indian Premier League. Under his leadership, the Mumbai Indians have enjoyed tremendous success, winning multiple titles.

Today, Rohit Sharma is an icon of Indian cricket and adored by millions of fans. His achievements continue to inspire generations of cricketers, reminding them of the power of self-belief and hard work in the pursuit of excellence.

Rohit 'The Hitman' Sharma's journey in the world of cricket is an embodiment of determination, talent, and resilience. From his early struggles to his outstanding achievements, Sharma has proven time and again that he is a force to be reckoned with.

As cricket enthusiasts, we can only marvel at the elegance and sheer brilliance with which Sharma plays the game. He has become a true icon, not just for Indian cricket, but for the sport as a whole.



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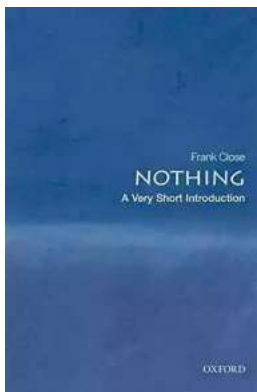


From his cricket debuts in 2007 and 2013 respectively, Rohit Gurunath Sharma has grown to be one of the vital pillars of the Indian cricket team. A modern-day entertainer who refused to compromise his approach to batting, his contribution to India's domination in one-day cricket and victories in the Premier League is indisputable.

This is the story of his journey, of the years of hard work and the confidence that has allowed him to keep his place in the team--and his amazing capacity to come up with big scores.

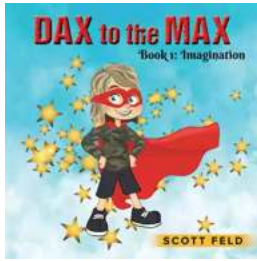
His combination of aggression and caution, his lazy elegance and his deadly shots have brought a whiff of fresh air to the cricket field.

The Hitman is the riveting account of a batsman, who has always chosen to play on his own terms, from two of India's best-known cricket writers, Vijay Lokapally and G. Krishnan.



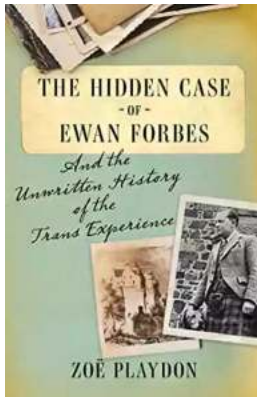
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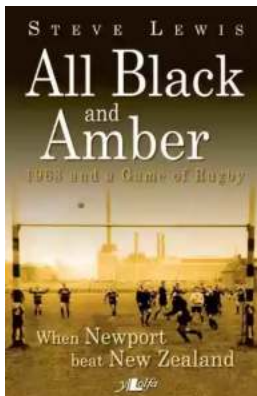
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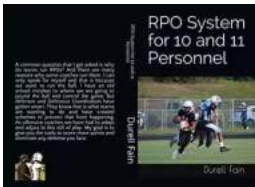
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