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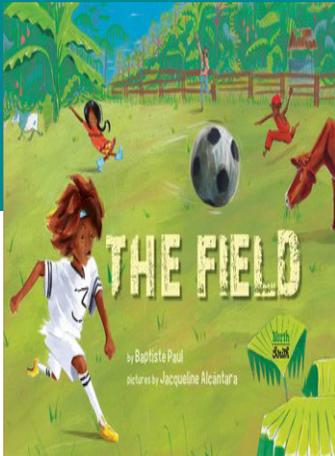
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Book Review

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A young islander kicks a soccer ball around for a bit until he ends up near a field. He rounds up friends and family for a game. First they must drive the cows from the field and create a game space with goal posts. The game is on! Neither rain nor mothers calling them home can stop the youth or the referee once the game has begun. They play and play until the mothers have had enough. Even in bed these young boys dream of football.

The story is told mostly in English with bits of Creole vocabulary thrown in. The story is largely visual with very little text, and the illustrations are vibrant colors with lots of motion. The pictures evoke the fun of long summer days when play is more important than work and bad weather is sure to pass well before enthusiasm wanes. This is a wonderful picture book for anyone who loves a day spent at play and a good game of soccer (football), or fore someone who just wants an island escape.

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Rating

Excellent

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