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**The 99<sup>th</sup> Match**  
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With an unprecedented six-year streak of undefeated wrestling team matches, the legendary Brentwood High School in Long Island, New York, has more than enough reason to be proud. One day, though, both the pride and reputation of the school is suddenly placed on the line when young Michael, an unlikely third string wrestler, is faced with the nearly impossible task of defeating Elmer Franklin - a formidable opponent with considerable more skill. What Michael lacks in skill, though, he more than makes up for in heart, drive, and determination, all of which he'll need to overcome what soon proves to be the greatest challenge of his young life...

**The 99<sup>th</sup> Match** is a rich, rewarding, heart-warming tale sure to inspire readers of all ages. Coming in at just under 150 pages, author Vinny DiGirolamo's compelling narrative provides the reader with a practical, tangible example of the success that awaits us all on the other side of life's most difficult challenges. Based on true events, **The 99<sup>th</sup> Match** best serves as a testament to the virtues of perseverance and dedication, which is quite the timely lesson in this modern era of prolonged strain and difficulty. If we each embraced and embodied the core elements of young Michael's irrepressible character, life would be a much more tolerable journey to endure for us all.

A quick and easy - yet timeless read, **The 99<sup>th</sup> Match** is a highly invaluable motivational tool. Strongly recommended.