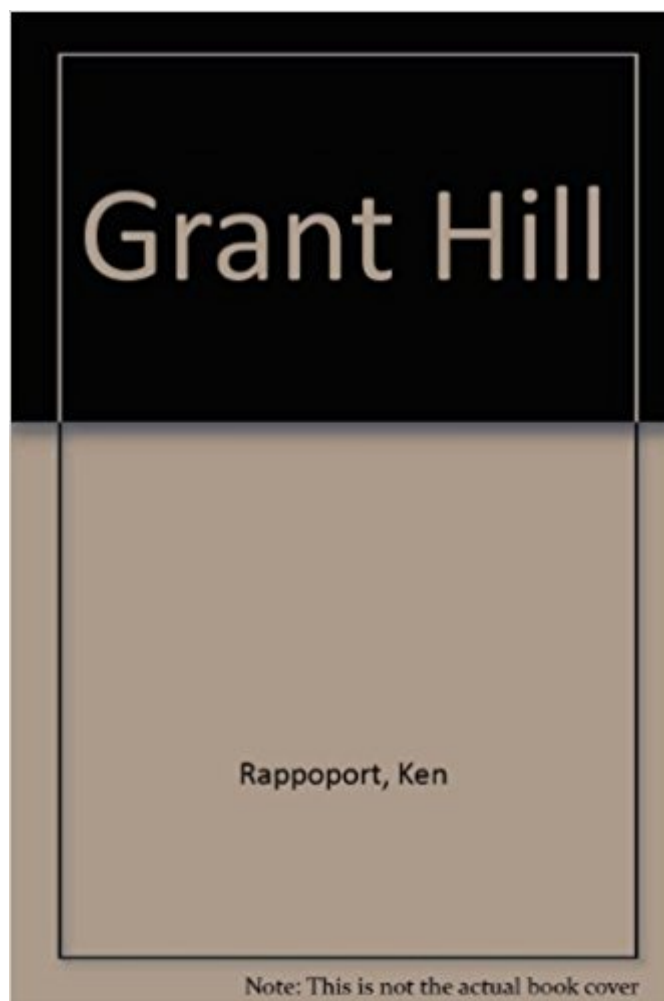


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# Grant Hill



## Synopsis

The life story of the young basketball player from Reston, Virginia, who played with the Detroit Pistons and made the 1995 NBA All-Star team.

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Grade 5-9. This Detroit Piston's rise to stardom is chronicled from his earliest basketball experiences through the 1995-96 NBA season. As he did in *Bobby Bonilla* (Walker, 1993), Rappoport conducted dozens of interviews and provides documentation for all of his sources. Hill was raised as an only child in an upper-class environment; his silver-spoon upbringing seems not to have negatively affected either his work ethic or attitude, as evidenced by the effort he puts into his game and the maturity he demonstrates both on and off the court. Because Hill is one of basketball's most popular stars, this account is sure to attract sports-minded readers, and this fast-reading, quote-filled account of his life will keep them interested. Black-and-white photos appear in an eight-page insert. Hill's career statistics are appended. Bill Gutman's *Grant Hill* (Millbrook, 1996) is a less substantial biography aimed at upper-elementary aged readers. ?Tom S. Hurlburt, La Crosse Public Library, WI Copyright 1997 Reed Business Information, Inc.

Gr. 6<sup>+</sup>-9. Detroit Pistons' forward Grant Hill has been called the next Michael Jordan. Like the Chicago Bulls' superstar, Hill shows extraordinary versatility on the court and has a classy image

that makes him a marketing dream. This well-written biography follows the 24-year-old's impressive career from an AAU National Basketball Championship at age 13; to high school in northern Virginia where he played on the varsity team as a freshman; to Duke University and the NCAA championship; and to the Pistons where he was the NBA Rookie of the Year. Veteran sportswriter Rappoport focuses his smart, energetic prose on the defining games of Hill's career, but readers will also appreciate his discussion of some of Hill's personal struggles as a teenager. The informative narrative is based, in part, on numerous author interviews with the subject, and unlike so many sportswriters for kids, Rappoport never talks down to his audience. Destined for popularity. Julie Corsaro

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