

# The Commentary Classics: The Best of the 1990s

The 1990s was a decade of great change and upheaval, both on and off the field. The decade saw the rise of new stars, the fall of old empires, and the birth of new ways of playing the game. It was also a decade that produced some of the most memorable and iconic commentary moments in baseball history.



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In this article, we will revisit some of the best commentary classics from the 1990s, and take a look at the men who brought them to life.

## Vin Scully

Vin Scully is one of the most beloved and respected broadcasters in baseball history. He called Dodgers games for over 60 years, and his mellifluous voice and poetic descriptions of the game made him a legend.

One of Scully's most famous calls came in Game 1 of the 1988 World Series. The Dodgers were trailing the Athletics 4-3 in the bottom of the ninth inning when Kirk Gibson came to the plate. Gibson had been hobbled by a knee injury, but he managed to hit a towering home run off Dennis Eckersley to win the game for the Dodgers.

Scully's call of the home run is one of the most famous in baseball history. "In a year that has been so improbable, the impossible has happened," Scully said. "Kirk Gibson has hit a home run to win the pennant for the Dodgers!"

## **Bob Costas**

Bob Costas is another legendary broadcaster who called some of the biggest games of the 1990s. Costas is known for his encyclopedic knowledge of the game and his ability to paint a vivid picture for the listener.

One of Costas' most famous calls came in Game 7 of the 1991 World Series. The Braves were trailing the Twins 1-0 in the bottom of the ninth inning when pinch-hitter Lonnie Smith came to the plate. Smith hit a two-run home run off Jack Morris to win the game and the World Series for the Braves.

Costas' call of the home run is one of the most famous in baseball history. "And the Braves have won it!" Costas exclaimed. "The Braves have won it! Lonnie Smith has hit a home run! The Braves have won the World Series!"

## **Joe Morgan**

Joe Morgan is a Hall of Fame second baseman who spent 22 seasons in the major leagues. After his playing career ended, Morgan became a broadcaster, and he quickly became one of the most respected analysts in the game.

Morgan is known for his sharp wit and his ability to break down the game in a way that is both informative and entertaining. He is also not afraid to speak his mind, which has led to some memorable moments on the air.

One of Morgan's most famous calls came in Game 4 of the 1995 World Series. The Braves were trailing the Indians 2-1 in the bottom of the ninth inning when David Justice came to the plate. Justice hit a two-run home run off Jose Mesa to win the game for the Braves.

Morgan's call of the home run is one of the most famous in baseball history. "And Justice does it!" Morgan exclaimed. "Justice hits a two-run homer! The Braves have won it! The Braves have won it!"

## **Jon Miller**

Jon Miller is a broadcaster who has called games for the Giants, Orioles, and Red Sox. He is known for his smooth delivery and his ability to convey the excitement of the game to the listener.

One of Miller's most famous calls came in Game 2 of the 2001 World Series. The Diamondbacks were trailing the Yankees 3-2

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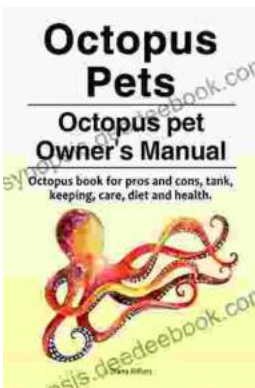
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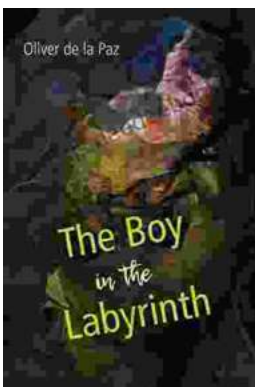


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