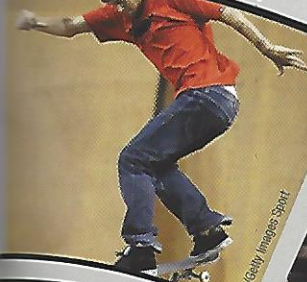
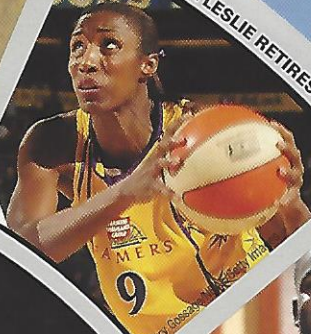


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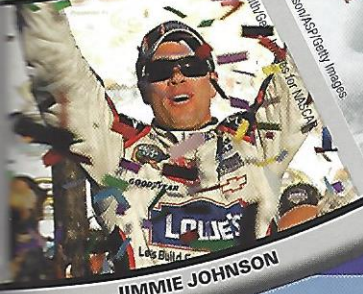


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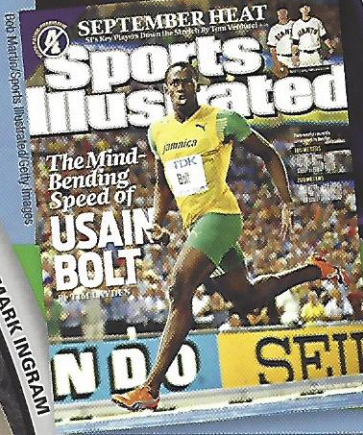


JIMMIE JOHNSON



Brett Favre retires from retirement to lead the Minnesota Vikings. At 40, Favre continues to rewrite the record books, including the most consecutive regular-season games.

FAVRE



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At the 12th IAAF World Championships in Berlin, Jamaican sprinter and three-time Olympic gold medalist Usain Bolt beats his own 100-meter and 200-meter world records.

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Shaun White leads a talented roster for the 2010 Olympic Snowboarding Team that also includes fellow gold medalists Kelly Clark, Hannah Teter and Seth Wescott.

SHAUN WHITE



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Minnesota Twins' Joe Mauer became only the second catcher in 33 years to win the American League Most Valuable Player Award, finishing first in a near-unanimous vote.

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TOP GAMES/EVENTS OF THE DECADE

- 2008 Wimbledon final:** Rafael Nadal vs. Roger Federer
- Super Bowl XLIII:** Steelers 27, Cardinals 23
- World Series 2001, Game 7:** Diamondbacks 3, Yankees 2
- 2007 Fiesta Bowl:** Boise State 43, Oklahoma 42
- 2006 Rose Bowl:** Texas 41, USC 38

- 2008 Olympics:** 100-meter men's butterfly, Michael Phelps
- 2009 Big East tournament:** Syracuse 127, UConn 117 (6 OT)
- Super Bowl XLII:** Giants 17, Patriots 14
- 2002 NBA West finals, Game 7:** Lakers 112, Kings 106 (OT)
- 2005 UEFA Champions League final:** Liverpool beats AC Milan