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**Description:**

Secular religions are fascinating in the devotion and zealousness they breed, and in Texas, high school football has its own rabid hold over the faithful. H.G. Bissinger, a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist, enters into the spirit of one of its most fervent shrines: Odessa, a city in decline in the desert of West Texas, where the Permian High School Panthers have managed to compile the winningest record in state annals. Indeed, as this breathtaking examination of the town, the team, its coaches, and its young players chronicles, the team, for better and for worse, *is* the town; the communal health and self-image of the latter is directly linked to the on-field success of the former. The 1988 season, the one *Friday Night Lights* recounts, was not one of the Panthers' best. The game's effect on the community--and the players--was explosive. Written with great style and passion, *Friday Night Lights* offers an American snapshot in deep focus; the picture is not always

pretty, but the image is hard to forget. --This text refers to an out of print or unavailable edition of this title.

**From Publishers Weekly** Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Bissinger spent 1988 with his wife and children in Odessa, Tex., principally following the high-school football team, but also observing life in this dusty, unsophisticated town. This is his superb, if disquieting, portrait of heartland America as he found it. For Odessa residents, the Permian Panthers, consistently contenders--and sometimes victors--in the state championship tournament for 30 years have become a virtual religion, although most of the townspeople are also bona fide churchgoers. After graduation, the teenagers on the team, most of whom are not well enough endowed to go on to college or pro ball, take their place among the other good ole boys at the Boosters Club, where they can recall their glory days together. 75,000 first printing; \$100,000 ad/promo.

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