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Sommario/riassunto	Players dedicate their lives to the goal of playing professional hockey and teams demand total commitment from their players, giving them complete control over almost all aspects of the players' lives. With the enormous labour turnover in the AHL and the surplus labour pool, players are extremely vulnerable: they must perform well or be replaced by the scores of other men willing to do the same job. With limited education and limited life skills, players seldom meet people who are not connected to the game and, when they do, they do so with trepidation. The constructed universe of the game consumes the players so that, in spite of any wealth they may accumulate, they often know nothing other than the game and have invested everything in an

occupation where their services quickly become obsolete. Far from the sensational memoirs of those few players who make it to the top, Robidoux's *Men at Play* offers a bracing inside look at the dynamics of the fastest game on earth.

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