

***“If there are still people around who think football is just 90 minutes of chasing a ball around, then Emdad Rahman’s book should put them right. With Nessun Dorma, Pavarotti and Grand Opera already on the terraces, it was only a matter of time till poetry moved in.***

***‘The Greatest Game on Earth’ adds the stanza to soccer’s cultural bonanza.”***

Ralph Windle, otherwise known as Bertie Ramsbottom  
British poet, writer and presenter  
Editor of “The Poetry of Business Life”

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***“Emdad has lived up to his promise of providing an uplifting book of poetry. This collection of verse is inspiring.***

***‘The Greatest Game on Earth’ is a stimulated and reassured compilation, amusing, gloomy, consistently proficient.”***

Muhib Choudhury  
President of British Bangladesh Press Club

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***“Vigorous, startling, expressive, poignant and subtle. Emdad’s knowledge of the beautiful game is immense and the book is testament to that. He cleverly informs the reader of past and present history and educates us in a pleasurable way. For some it will be a trip down memory lane, from remembering that night in Istanbul to Scholes’ failed upper cuts.***

***This is a must read for all football fans. I enjoyed the book – it is easy to read, exciting and well written. Five stars for a five star writer.”***

Shakayet Hussain  
General Secretary & Co-founder of United Sporting Luton FC

***“Humorous, touching and most of all engaging. A poignant expression of yearnings, memories and joy. Football needed just that poetic touch!”***

Rabina Khan

Author of “Rainbow Hands” & “Ayesha’s Rainbow”

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***“I believe that everybody would benefit from a daily poetry fix. This book contains well crafted and wholesome poetry. Congratulations go to the author on his writing debut.”***

Shafiqul Haque

Mayor of the London Borough of Tower Hamlets 2006/07

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***“This is an extension of Emdad’s talents – that were evident from our time together as classmates in secondary school. This book comes highly recommended.”***

Abdal Ullah

President of Stepney Football Club

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***“A collection of stimulating poems.”***

Councillor Rania Khan

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***“I wish Emdad well with his new book. It’s always good to see Tower Hamlets citizens engaged in cultural activities especially in publishing.”***

Jim Fitzpatrick MP