Sports

It was another big year for world and U.S. sports. Fans across the globe stayed up late, got up early, and tuned in to live broadcasts of the World Cup from Japan and Korea. Ronaldo helped Brazil hoist the Copa Mundial after a disappointing loss to France four years earlier. Americans had their fair share of epic victories as well, with Lance rolling through the Champs-Elysées ahead of his European rivals and Serena Williams dominating the world tennis scene.



Trauma centers on alert Gravity...and the human instinct for self-preservation...are defied once again as the X-Games roll onto ESPN.



No Strikes, just Strikeouts Major League Baseball avoids a strike while the Anaheim Angels beat the S.F. Giants in 7 games to win the World Series.



Sibling rivalry
The Williams sisters take
the #1 and #2 spots in
world tennis rankings.



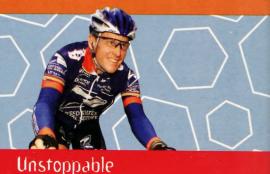
The L.A. Lakers earn their third set of championship rings in as many years.



Brazil captures its sixth World Cup title, while the United States advances to the quarterfinals by beating Mexico.



16,726 plus 1 Cowboys running back Emmitt Smith breaks Walter Payton's all-time rushing record.



American cyclist Lance Armstrong rides to his fourth consecutive Tour de France victory.

