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Leeds fan's book on Bielsa clinches top spot

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A lifelong Leeds United supporter has finally taken them back to the top of the league – with his well-researched new book on life under charismatic manager Marcelo Bielsa.

Dave Tomlinson's new book charts the emphatic rise of his beloved Elland Road club under the guidance of the Argentinian coach.

Bielsa's Leeds: Redemption has already reached number one in Amazon's hotly-contested football chart since its release.

The 362-page book is an authoritative study, through the eyes of five fans, of how the fortunes of English football's sleeping giants suddenly changed in 2018 after years in the doldrums.

Dave, who has previously written four books about Leeds United, said: "*Bielsa's Leeds: Redemption* is about Leeds United over the last 20 years and how we returned to the Premier League.

"It covers Andrea Radrizzani buying the club and leading it back to normality after years of chaos.

"I particularly wanted to explore the highs and lows experienced by the fans over the years and this book tells the story of what life was like for them those 20 years.

"This is the story from the perspective of five fictional Leeds United supporters and includes some choice language at key points on the journey back to glory."

Dave, who works for the NHS as a finance director, has previously published a Billy Bremner biography as well as three five-star-rated books on the various historic achievements and downfalls of his club – *Dirty Leeds: The First Title, Leeds United: A History, and Leeds, Money and Misery Me.*

In his spare time, the 60-year-old is the editor of the hugely-popular mightyleeds.co.uk website.

Dave was also the voice of Leeds United for BBC Football Focus last year, and he has produced several podcasts about his team.

While most of his club's recent history has been about struggles and disappointment, like other fans, Dave is rejoicing in the Beilsa years.

And he believes his chart-topping new book has an important message for other clubs who are also underachieving.

Dave, who lives in the Edgbaston area of Birmingham, explained: "I just wanted to write something about Bielsa and the impact he has had on Leeds

"Fans have been to hell and back, but it's a great time to be a Leeds fan under Bielsa, who is an inspirational leader.

"The message from Bielsa's Leeds: Redemption is to try, try and try again.

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"You are never beaten, your only constraint is what you bring to the party.

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For more details, visit Amazon and search for Dave Tomlinson, where the paperback and Kindle formats of *Bielsa's Leeds: Redemption* are both available.

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