

American Culture: Sports
Baseball Vocabulary: *Play Ball!*

1. What do we call the person who throws the ball?
a. thrower b. pitcher c. chucker
2. What shape is the infield area?
a. diamond b. clubs c. heart
3. What is the person trying to hit the ball called?
a. hitter b. batter c. Barry Bonds
4. What is the place where he stands called?
a. home stand b. home alone c. home plate
5. What is the person who sits behind the home plate and tries to catch the pitched balls called?
a. pitcher b. receiver c. catcher
6. What is it called, if the batter hits the ball and runs around the bases and reaches homeplate?
a. a home run b. a touchdown c. a basket
7. What is it called if the batter misses a perfectly thrown ball?
a. a mistake b. a strike c. a goof-up
8. What is it called if the pitcher's throw is too low, too high, or too wide?
a. a ball b. a mistake c. a goof-up
9. Who decides if the pitch is a "strike" or a "ball?"
a. the referee b. the manager c. the umpire
10. What is one "round" of play called?
a. an outing b. an inning c. an overing
11. What happens if the batter has three "strikes?"
a. he has to go home b. he's "out"
(his turn is over) c. he has to apologize
12. What song is played before every professional baseball game begins?
a. Yankee Doodle b. America the
Beautiful c. Star Spangled Banner